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**IMPORTANT DAYS****World Wide Web Day 2024: August 1**

- **World Wide Web Day** is celebrated globally on **August 1st** each year.
- **1989:** Sir Tim Berners-Lee invented the World Wide Web, a revolutionary internet-based communication system.
- **1991:** The World Wide Web browser was made available on the public internet, marking its wider accessibility.
- **1993:** Launch of the graphical browser Mosaic, which significantly enhanced user interaction with the web.
- **1994:** Introduction of Internet Works, which allowed users to open multiple tabs in a browser window.
- **1996:** Integration of Internet Explorer into the Windows operating system, further popularizing web browsing.

**World Breastfeeding Week 2024: August 1-7**

- **World Breastfeeding Week** is an annual global healthcare event celebrated from **August 1st to 7th**.
- "Closing the Gap: Breastfeeding Support for All"
- **World Breastfeeding Week** has been celebrated since 1990, following the Innocenti Declaration.
- Since 2016, the event has aligned with the **United Nations' Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs)**.
- In 2018, a **World Health Assembly** resolution endorsed World Breastfeeding Week as a vital strategy for promoting breastfeeding globally.

**Hiroshima Day 2024: August 6**

- Every year **August 6** is celebrated as **Hiroshima Day**.
- Hiroshima Day 2024 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.

**National Handloom Day 2024 - 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.

#### **International Day of World's Indigenous People - August 9**

- International Day of World's Indigenous People Day is observed annually on August 9.
- The theme for the 2024 International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples is "Protecting the Rights of Indigenous Peoples in Voluntary Isolation and Initial Contact".
- This day was first observed by the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in December 1994.

#### **Nagasaki Day 2024 - August 9**

- Nagasaki Day is observed on August 9 every year.
- 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 called the 'FAT MAN'.
- This bomb attack suddenly devastated Nagasaki and killed almost 70,000 people during the attack.

#### **World Lion Day 2024: August 10**

- World Lion Day is an international annual event observed on the 10th of August.
- World Lion Day 2024 is celebrated to raise awareness about the conservation and protection of Lions.
- Lion's scientific name is 'Panthera Leo'.
- The Big Cat Initiative (BCI) was formed in 2009 and was initiated by Dereck and Beverly Joubert to protect the lions.

#### **World Biofuel Day 2024: August 10**

- Every year World Biofuel Day is observed on the 10th of August.
- The theme for World Biofuel Day 2024 is "Sustainable Biofuels: Reducing Waste, Feeding Energy"
- World Biofuel Day 2024 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 2024 is observed to honor Sir Rudolf Diesel for his research experiments.

#### **World Elephant Day 2024: 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.
- The 2024 theme is "**Personifying prehistoric beauty, theological relevance, and environmental importance**".
- It was officially launched on August 12, 2012.
- **The first World Elephant Day was held on 12 August 2012.**

### **International Youth Day 2024: August 12**

- **International Youth Day** is observed annually all over the world on **August 12**.
- The theme for 2024 is '**From Clicks to Progress: Youth Digital Pathways for Sustainable Development.**'
- 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.**

### **World Organ Donation Day 2024: 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.
- In **1954**, the **first successful organ donation** took place in the **United States**.
- **Ronald Lee Herrick** donated his kidney to his twin brother **Richard J. Herrick** and he was the world's first organ donor.

### **International Lefthanders Day 2024: August 13**

- **International Lefthanders Day 2024** is celebrated on the **13th of August** every year worldwide.
- The day is observed to highlight the differences and uniqueness of left-handed people around the world.
- In **1990**, the **Left-Handers Club** was established to promote research in lefthand usage and the evolution of new left-handed items.
- The **Left-Handers Club** launched **International Lefthanders Day** as an annual event on the **13th of August, 1992.**

**World Photography Day 2024 - August 19**

- World Photography Day is celebrated on August 19 every year.
- The theme for World Photography Day 2024 is "An Entire Day".
- World Photography Day 2024 is a Worldwide celebration of the art, crafts, science, and history of photography.
- The first World Photography Day was held on August 19, 2010.
- The first digital photograph was created in 1957, two decades before the digital camera was invented.

**World Mosquito Day 2024: August 20**

- World Mosquito Day is observed annually on 20 August.
- The World Mosquito Day theme 2024 is “Accelerating the fight against malaria for a more equitable world”
- World Mosquito Day was established in 1897 by Sir Ronald Ross who discovered that female mosquitoes transmit malaria to humans.
- Mosquitoes can detect carbon dioxide that you keep breathing out from as far as 75 feet. Sir Ronald Ross was first observed on 20 August 1897.

**International Day For The Remembrance Of Slave Trade And Abolition 2024 - August 23**

- International Day for the Remembrance of Slave Trade and Abolition is celebrated on 23 August every year.
- The theme for the 2024 International Day for the Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade is "Creating Global Freedom: Countering Racism with Justice in Societies and Among Nations"

**National Space Day 2024: August 23, 2024**

- Date of Celebration: August 23, 2024
- Significance: Marks the first National Space Day in India, commemorating the first anniversary of the successful Chandrayaan-3 mission.
- Chandrayaan-3 Achievement: On August 23, 2023, India became the fourth nation to successfully land on the moon. This milestone demonstrated ISRO's advancing capabilities, instilling national pride and earning international recognition.
- Theme: “Touching Lives while Touching the Moon”

**International Dog Day 2024 - August 26**

- **International Dog Day** is celebrated on **August 26** every year.
- This day is celebrated worldwide to encourage people to adopt more dogs instead of buying them from pet shops.
- **The first International Dog Day was celebrated on 26 August 2004.** Another good way of celebrating International Dog Day is by making a donation to an animal charity of your own choice.

### **Women's Equality Day 2024 - 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.

### **World Water Week 2024: August 25-29, 2024**

- The **Stockholm International Water Institute (SIWI)** is organizing the 2024 edition of **World Water Week** from **August 25-29, 2024**.
- This leading conference, held annually since 1991, addresses global water issues with a focus on fostering international cooperation and sustainable solutions.
- **Theme: "Bridging Borders: Water for a Peaceful and Sustainable Future"**

### **National Sports Day 2024 - 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. The day was declared India's National Sports Day.

### **Small Industry Day 2024 - August 30**

- The **National Small Industry Day** is an annual celebration observed on **30th August**.
- The theme for 2024 is "**Leveraging Power and Resilience of Micro-, Small and Medium-sized Enterprises (MSMEs) to Accelerate Sustainable Development and Eradicate Poverty in Times of Multiple Crises.**"