

Development Calendar

National & International Days

International decades

1997-2006 United Nations Decade for the Eradication of Poverty

2001-2010 Decade to Roll Back Malaria in Developing Countries, Particularly in Africa

2001-2010 Second International Decade for the Eradication of Colonialism

2001-2010 International Decade for a Culture of Peace and Non-violence for the Children of the World

2003-2012 United Nations Literacy Decade: Education for All

2005-2014 Second International Decade of the World's Indigenous People

2005-2014 United Nations Decade of Education for Sustainable Development

2005-2015 International Decade for Action, "Water for Life"

International years

2006 International Year of Deserts and Desertification

2008

- *International Year of the Potato* [Affirming the role the potato can play in providing food security, eradicating poverty and achieving development goals including Millenium Development Goals].
- *International Year of Planet Earth* [to raise awareness of important issues relating to the Earth's processes and resources; disaster prevention, reduction and mitigation; and capacity-building for the sustainable management of resources].

January

1 Safdar Hashmi Memorial Day

4-10 Oil Conservation Week

8 Memory of 1857 Martyrs

10-16 Road Safety Week

12 International Youth Day

14-30 Animal Welfare Fortnight

15 Army Day

15-21 Pin Code Week

23 Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's Birth Anniversary

- National Day of Patriotism

25 India Tourism Day

26 Republic Day

- International Customs Day

27 International Day of Commemoration in memory of the victims of the Holocaust

30 Martyrs Day

- National Cleanliness Day

February

2 World Wetlands Day

6 International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Cutting (FGC)

21 International Mother Language Day

24 Excise Day

28 National Science day

March

1 International Death Penalty Abolition Day

3 International Sex workers Rights day

4 -10 National Safety Week

8 United Nations Day for Women's Rights and International Peace. (2007 theme, 'Ending Impunity for Violence Against Women,')

12 Dandi March Day

14 Day of Action against Dams, for Rivers and People

15 Consumer Rights Day

- World Disabled Day

16 Immunization Day

21 World Forestry Day

- International Day For The Elimination Of Racial Discrimination

22 World Water Day [2007's theme is 'Coping with Water Scarcity']

23 Martyrdom Day of Bhagat Singh

- World Meteorological Day

24 World TB Day

31 Martyrdom Day of Chandrashekar Azad

April

1 Activists day

1 -7 Prevention Of Blindness Week

4 International Day for Mine Awareness and Assistance in Mine Action

5 National Maritime Day

7 World Health Day

7 -14 Handloom Week

12 National Theatre Day

13 Jallianwala Bagh Massacre

14 Birth Anniversary Of Dr Ambedkar

- Customs Day

14- 20 Fire Service Week

18 World Heritage Day/International Monuments and Sites Day

22 Earth Day

23 World Book and Copyright Day

24-30 Education for All Week

26 International Day Commemorating Victims of Radiation Accidents and Catastrophes [Chernobly Disaster Anniversary]

- World Intellectual Property Day
- 28 World Day for Safety and Health at Work
- 29 Remembrance Day for Victims of Chemical Warfare

May

Second Sunday is Mother's Day

- 1 International Labour Day / May Day
- 3 World Press Freedom Day
- 7 World AIDS Orphans Day
- 8 World Red Cross Day
- 8-9 Time of Remembrance and Reconciliation for Those Who Lost Their Lives during the Second World War
- 11 Technology Day
- 13 World Fair Trade day
- 15 International Day of The Family
- 17 World Telecommunications Day
- International Day Against Homophobia
- World Information Society Day
- 21 The World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development
- 22 International Day for Biological Diversity

- 24 International Day of Women's Action for Peace and Disarmament
- Common-Wealth Day
- 25 African Liberation Day Solidarity/Africa Day
- 25-31 Week of Solidarity with the People of All Colonial Territories Fighting for Freedom, Independence and Human Rights.
- 28 International Day of Action for Women's Health and Reproductive Rights.
- 29 International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers
- 31 World No Tobacco Day

June

Third Sunday is Father's Day

- 1-7 International Volunteer Week
- 4 International Day Of Innocent Children Victims Of Aggression
- 5 World Environment Day
- 11 River Day
- 12 World Day against Child Labour
- 14 World Blood Donor Day
- 16 International Refugee Day/ International Day of solidarity
- Day of the African Child
- 17 World day to combat desertification and drought
- 20 World Refugee Day
- 23 United Nations Public Service Day
- 26 International Day in support of Victims of Torture
- International Day Against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking

30 Santhal Revolution day

July

First Saturday International Day of Cooperatives

1 Doctors' Day

- World Nuclear-free Zones Day

- Vanmahotsav Day (India)

5 Koel karo day

6 World Zoonoses Day

11 World Population Day

17 World Day for International Justice

22 International Day of Action against Coca Cola

August

1 - 7 Breast-Feeding Week

3 International Friendship Day

6 Hiroshima day

9 Quit India Movement

- International Day of the World's Indigenous People

- Nagasaki day

12 International Youth Day

12-18 World Water Week in Stockholm

15 Independence Day

20 Goodwill day [Sadbhavana Diwas, Rajiv Gandhi's Birth Anniversary]

23 International Day for the Remembrance of the Slave Trade and Its Abolition

23 - 6 September National Fortnight on Eye Donation

30 International day of disappeared persons

September

Last week Deaf Awareness Week

1 - 7 National Nutrition Week

5 Teacher's Day [Dr S Radhakrishnan's Birthday]

8 International Literacy Day

10 International Day Against the WTO and Trade Liberalisation and for Peoples' Food Sovereignty

13 Forgiveness Day

16 International Day for the Preservation of the Ozone Layer

16-18 Clean up the World Campaign

21 International Day of Peace

- World Alzheimer's day

22 Cancer Rose Day

23 World Deaf Day

23-30 Deaf Awareness Week

24 SAARC Girl Child Day

- World Heart Day

27 World Tourism Day

28 Right to Know Day
- Martyrdom day of Shankar Guha Niyogi
29 World Maritime Day

October

First Monday in October every year is World Habitat Day
Second Wednesday of October International Day for Natural Disaster Reduction
1 National Voluntary Blood Donation Day
- International Day For Elderly People
- Wildlife Week
2 Mahatma Gandhi's Birthday
- Anti-Leprosy Day
2 -8 Prevention Of Blindness Week
2 -8 Anti-Un-Touchability Week
3 World Habitat Day
4 World Animal Welfare Day
4-10 World Space Week
5 World Teachers' Day
7 World Menopause Day
8 Air Force Day
9 World Post Day
10 National Post Day
- World Mental Health Day
- World Day Against the Death Penalty
11 International Mountain Day
- National No Tobacco Day
11 - 25 Family Welfare Fortnight
13 International Day For Natural Disaster Reduction
14 World Standards Day
15 World White Cane Day
16 World Food Day
17 Day for Eradication of Poverty
21 Global Iodine Deficiency Disorder(IDD) Day
24 UN Day
- World Development Information Day
24 - 30 Disarmament and Development Week
30 World Thrift Day
31 Indira Gandhi's Death Anniversary (Anti -Terrorism Day)

November

Third Sunday in November World Day of Remembrance for Road Traffic Victims
1 Anti poverty day
2 All Saints Day
6 International Day for Preventing the Exploitation of the Environment in War and Armed Conflict
9 Legal Services Day

9-14 International Week Of Science
14 Nehru's Birthday-Children's Day
-World Diabetes Day
14 -20 World Heritage Week
15 -21 National Cooperative Week
16 International Day For Tolerance and Peace
19 World Day for Prevention of Child Abuse
- National Integration Day (Indira Gandhi's Birthday)
19 -26 Quami Ekta Week
19 -18 December Environment Month
20 Universal Child Rights Day
- Africa Industrialization Day
21 World Fisheries Day
- World Television Day
25 International Day of Elimination of All Forms of Violence Against Women
25-10 December 16 Days of Activism Against Gender Violence
26 Constitution Day, National Social Justice and Action Day
29 International Day of Solidarity with the Palestine People

December

1 World AIDS Day
2 National Pollution Control Day
- International Day for Abolition of Slavery
3 International Day of Disabled Persons
- National Conservation Day
- Bhopal Gas Tragedy Day
- International Day of Solidarity with Political Prisoners and Prisoners of War
4 Navy Day
5 International Volunteer Day For Economic And Social Development
6 Dr. Ambedkar's Mahaparinirvan Divas
7 Flag Day
- International Civil Aviation Day
8 Girl Child Day
- SAARC Day
- National day for Mentally Challenged
8 -14 All India Handicrafts Week
9 International Anti-Corruption Day
10 Human Rights Day
14 National Energy Conservation Day
18 International Migrants Day
19 United Nations Day for South-South Cooperation
20 International Human Solidarity Day
23 Kisan Divas [Farmers day]