

CURRENT AFFAIR : JULY 2016

• LIST OF IMPORTANT DAYS

June 1 - Global Day of Parents

June 4 - World Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression

June 5 - World Environment Day

June 8 - World Brain Tumor Day, World Oceans Day

June 12 - World Day Against Child Labor

June 14 - World Blood Donor Day

June 15 - World elder abuse awareness day

June 16 - International Integration Day

June 18 - International Picnic Day

June 20 - World Refugee Day

June 21 - World Music Day

June 23 - International Olympic Day, United Nations Public Service Day, International

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- Ashok Lavasa becomes new Finance Secretary
- Union Government has notified a panel, headed by a former Delhi High Court judge, for revision of fares for Delhi Metro which will submit its report within three months.
- Govt doctors' retirement age extended to 65 years
- Former Delhi Police chief B S Bassi appointed UPSC member
- Kannada writer D Javare Gowda passes away
- The government's ambitious Mission Indradhanush programme, which provides immunisation against seven life threatening diseases is all set to be re-christened as four new vaccines have been added into it.
- Alastair Cook Becomes Youngest Cricketer To Score 10000 Test Runs
- World's longest rail tunnel to be inaugurated in Switzerland
- Asia's largest tech trade show COMPUTEX kicks off in Taipei
- BRICS New Development Bank to issue first yuan-denominated bonds
- Four month window to disclose black money opens today , The Income Declaration Scheme will open today and will remain in force till 30th of September.
- Odisha govt to create 500 more gram panchayats
- Delhi Govt Launches 'DVAT M SEWA' Mobile App
- UP Govt. approves detailed project report of Varanasi Metro Rail
- Bollywood comedian Razak Khan passes away
- Sri Lanka's Nuwan Kulasekara retires from test Cricket
- Cricket icon Sachin Tendulkar has agreed to a request of Kerala government to use his name in a campaign against drug and liquor abuse in the state.
- Union Cabinet approves setting up of India Post Payments Bank

- The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) gave its approval for a new 51 km broad gauge line from Mau to Tarighat, aiming to provide an alternative and convenient route between New Delhi and Howrah.
- The government constituted the National Company Law Tribunal and its appellate body, implementing most of the provisions of new Companies Act and helping implementation of the Bankruptcy Code.
- Union Government and World Bank have signed a US 9.2 million dollar grant agreement for the Efficient and Sustainable City Bus Service Project.
- Country's largest private sector lender ICICI Bank has cut its marginal cost of funds-based lending rate (MCLR) by 0.05 per cent, to take it at par with the rates offered by SBI and HDFC Bank.
- TRAI launches mobile app for subscribers to register complaints against pesky calls, SMSes
- First time, one of the teams competing in the Olympic Games will be made up of refugees who hail from different countries they no longer call home.
- NK Chari is the new State Bank of Mysore MD
- Navin Agarwal appointed as DG of NADA (National Anti-Doping Agency)
- Odisha becomes first state to give social welfare benefits to transgender community
- India, Tunisia Sign 2 Agreements In IT, Handicrafts Sectors
- Dr. R Seetharaman conferred with 2016 Green Economy Visionary Award
- Asia's largest annual security forum Shangri-La Dialogue has been inaugurated in Singapore to talk about security issues in the Asia-Pacific region.
- Argentina retain top spot in FIFA rankings
- Narendra Modi, Ashraf Ghani inaugurate landmark Rs 1,700 crore Afghan-India Friendship Dam
- Moto2 rider Luis Salom dies after crashing during practice
- Paes completes mixed doubles Career Slam with French Open win
- Chief Minister of Haryana lays foundation stone of 'Jai jawan awas Yojana'
- Boxing legend Muhammad Ali passes away
- HDFC Egro buys L&T general insurance
- Sasikumar takes over as MD of State Bank of Travancore
- Indian Boxing Council gets Affiliation from Commonwealth Boxing Council(CBC)
- Sudarsan Pattnaik wins gold at World Sand Art Championship
- World Environment Day observed with theme Zero tolerance for the illegal trade in wildlife
- Veteran actor Sulabha Deshpande passed away
- The Haryana Government on 3 June 2016 launched Asia's First Gyps Vulture Reintroduction Programme at Jatayu Conservation Breeding Centre, Pinjore.
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- Navin Agarwal appointed DG of National Anti-Doping Agency
- Djokovic joins pantheon of greats
- V Narayanasamy sworn in as Puducherry CM
- Gadkari launches Setu Bhartam project in Himachal Pradesh

- Minister of Railways Suresh Prabhakar Prabhu has flagged off the inaugural run of the Tiger Trail Circuit Train from Delhi Safdarjung Station.
- India's first Mr. Universe Manohar Aich passes away
- Judoka Avtar Singh Qualifies For Rio Olympics
- PM Narendra Modi conferred Afghanistan's highest civilian honour
- Garbine Muguruza won 2016 French Open Women's Singles Tennis Title
- Dia Mirza named ambassador for 'swachh saathi' programme
- Delhi govt announces policy to make national capital solar city
- Rajasthan Govt. launches mobile app Raj Vayu on air quality index
- Lucknow to host Junior hockey World Cup
- Olympic trial: Delhi HC dismisses Sushil Kumar's plea
- Tennis star Rohan Bopanna secures direct entry into Rio Olympics
- Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Akhilesh Yadav has appointed a judicial commission to probe into the recent Mathura violence.
- Shahid Rasool takes charge as Director of CEMCA (Commonwealth Educational Media Centre for Asia)
- The Assam state capital Guwahati becomes the first city in the country to have its own city animal.
- Chess grandmaster Viktor Korchnoi passes away
- Union Government has decided to introduce International Yoga Award Scheme with a view to promote yoga.
- Rio Olympics-bound Tintu Luka (27-year) has won a silver medal in 800 metres in the Josef Odlozil Memorial Athletics Meet in Czech Republic.
- The World Bank Group President Jim Yong Kim has slashed its 2016 growth forecast by 0.5 per cent to 2.4 per cent.
- Veteran Journalist KK Katyal passes away
- Jet Airways chairman Naresh Goyal has been re-elected to International Air Transport Association's (IATA) Board of Governors.
- Indian-origin professor in UK awarded by Queen
- India Ranks low at 141st place in global peace index
- Putin awards UN chief Ban Ki-Moon with order of friendship
- Thailand becomes the first Asian country to eliminate mother to child HIV: WHO
- Piyush Goyal launches 'Surya Mitra' mobile app
- Maria Sharapova receives two-year ban for failing drug test
- Axis Bank launches India's first certified green bond at London Stock Exchange
- Centre announces new print media advertisement policy
- State Bank of India (SBI) and Spain's CaixaBank have inked pact to provide loans to Indo-Spanish joint ventures and local enterprises.
- Former Kerala assembly speaker T S John passes away
- Suresh Prabhhu flags off Champaran Satyagrah Express train in Bihar
- Madhya Pradesh BJP MLA Rajendra dadu dies in car accident

- The International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC) has announced the names proposed for the new elements, whose discovery helped complete the seventh row of the Periodic Table in December last year.
- Akhil Sharma wins Dublin International literary award
- Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Limited (MTNL) has announced that its Chairman and Managing Director, Narendra Kumar Yadav has resigned.
- Tata Power Solar bagged the MNRE award
- Google and Tata's 'Internet Saathi' initiative launches in West Bengal
- Indo-US-Japan Naval Exercise Starts in Western Pacific Coast
- India, EFTA Agree to Address Issues to Resume FTA talks
- SEBI Issues Stricter KYC, Disclosure Norms for P-Notes, Markets regulator SEBI has put in place a stricter KYC norms and disclosure regime for Participatory Notes. The aim is to make it tougher to use these offshore instruments without disclosing the money-trail and details of their users.
- Govt Plans 25% Tax on Sugar Export
- The Delhi government has announced to rename the Barapullah flyover in Delhi after Sikh icon Baba Banda Singh Bahadur.
- The Airports Authority of India (AAI) has been conferred the National Award for Best Performing Central PSU for Roof Top Solar Power initiatives.
- Govt to Invest ₹75k cr on Highways Upgrade in UP
- Telangana to Set Up 12,500-acre Pharma City near Hyderabad
- The Union Urban Development Ministry has sanctioned 37.5 crore rupees for development of Machilipatnam town under the Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation (AMRUT) scheme.
- IT Minister Ravi Shankar Prasad on Saturday launched a contest, with ₹50,000 prize money, to design the logo and come up with the tagline for the newly announced India Post Payments Bank.
- FICCI to be National Partner at 8th Vibrant Gujarat Summit
- The Jammu and Kashmir government has said it will not allow a Delhi-based organisation's proposal to start 'Abhinavgupt Yatra' in Kashmir's Budgam area.
- American singer Christina Grimmie, a former contestant on the show 'The Voice', passed away on Saturday after being shot dead at a concert in US.
- Karnataka Bank Former Chairman MS Krishna Bhat Passes Away
- Legendary Canadian ice hockey player Gordie Howe passed away at Toledo, US at the age of 88.
- Veteran Journalist Inder Malhotra Dies at 86
- Abhinav Bindra Chosen as India's Flagbearer at Rio Olympics
- Leander Paes to Partner Rohan Bopanna at Rio 2016 Olympics
- KL Rahul 1st Indian to Make Century on ODI Debut
- Prime Minister visited USA & Mexico in the list of 5 Nations visit, After the successful visit to Afghanistan, Qatar and Switzerland
- Emaar MGF MD Shravan Gupta steps down

- The International Paralympic Committee (IPC) has recognized the Paralympic Committee of India (PCI) led by Rao Inderjit Singh as the president.
- Sikkim becomes India's first State to launch open government data portal , Sikkim became the first state in India to have an open government data portal linked 'sikkim.data.gov.in'. The portal was launched by Lok Sabha MP, P D Rai and also launched Open Government Data Platform (Sikkim)
- Prime Minister to inaugurate the two day Annual Conference of CBDT & CBEC entitled
- The Ministry of Heavy Industry & Public Enterprises has constituted the 3rd Pay Revision Committee for the executives of the Central Public Sector Undertakings under the chairmanship of Justice Satish Chandra (Retd.).
- Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana launched for the State of Uttarakhand
- Shri Nitin Gadkari releases the report "Road Accidents in India 2015"
- 12 June: World Day against Child Labour
- Justice Rakesh Ranjan Prasad takes charge of Chief Justice of Manipur HC
- China launches 23rd BeiDou Navigation Satellite
- The country's industrial production shrank 0.8 % in April this year, dragged down by a poor performance of the manufacturing and capital goods sectors.
- Microsoft to buy LinkedIn for \$26.2 billion
- Singer Rod Stewart has received a knighthood in the Queen's Birthday Honours list, for his services to music and charity.
- 'Hamilton' dominates Tony Awards with 11 wins
- Tata Power has acquired the renewable energy (RE) subsidiary of Delhi-based Welspun Energy. It is estimated to be a Rs 9,900-crore deal.
- Amazon, Flipkart, Snapdeal top 3 sites for sellers: Nielsen
- Union Finance minister Mr. Arun Jaitley has met finance ministers of 22 states and representatives and seven others in Kolkata to iron out differences over the new regime that will create one national market under the Goods and Services Tax (GST).
- The Reserve Bank of India has issued guidelines called Scheme for Sustainable Structuring of Stressed Assets.
- Ranu Langthasa has been unanimously appointed as the chairperson of the North Cachar Hills Autonomous Council (NCHAC) in Assam.
- G Kalyanakrishnan took over as Chief Executive of Nuclear Fuel Complex
- Delhi Transport Minister Gopal Rai Resigns
- Norway becomes the first country to ban deforestation
- Lewis Hamilton wins 2016 Canada Grand Prix of Formula One
- The Union cabinet gave its in-principle nod for State Bank of India (SBI)'s proposal to gobble up its five associate banks as well as Bharatiya Mahila Bank.
- Annual 45-day fishing ban in Tamil Nadu begins
- Kiran Bedi launches mobile app to help senior citizens in distress
- Isreal elected to chair UN committee
- Florida bank issues first US credit card for use in Cuba
- Renowned Hindi writer Mudrarakshasa passes away

- President Pranab Mukherjee receives highest civilian award of Ivory Coast
- Indian men's 4x400 m relay team breaks 18-year-old national record
- Dhoni becomes first Indian keeper to complete 350 ODI dismissals
- IRCTC, Just Dial, UTI MF in Fortune India Next 500 list of Indian companies, which has been topped by Dynamatic Technologies.
- State Bank of India creates a dedicated Rs 200 crore fund for startups
- Moody's revises Tata Power's outlook to negative from stable
- India ranks fourth in terms of number of servers hacked as per a Kaspersky Lab report
- Human Resource Development Minister Smriti Irani has launched Vidyanjali, a school volunteer programme in New Delhi.
- Railways flags off 1st time-tabled freight train
- President reaches Windhoek on the last leg of his 3-nation tour to Africa
- Margaret Atwood (Canadian poet, novelist and environmental activist) awarded 2016 PEN Pinter Prize
- Indian Diabetes specialist Shashank S Shah wins Vivian Fonseca Scholar Award 2016
- Petroleum Minister visiting St Petersburg to represent India at the SPIEF (St Petersburg International Economic Forum)
- Karnataka Bank Ltd has bagged CFBP (Council for Fair Business Practices) Jamnalal Bajaj award for fair business practices.
- 'A new world' - the Official slogan for Rio Olympics
- Supriya Sahu appointed as Doordarshan DG
- Suresh Chandra appointed as Union Law Secretary
- Govt. approves Rs 2,070-crore highway project in Punjab
- Sunil Mittal elected chief of International Chamber of Commerce
- Govt releases Yog Geet ahead of International Yoga Day celebrations
- Piyush Goyal launches Vidyut Pravah and Urja Mobile App in Goa to enhance consumer connectivity
- Veteran Odia actress Manimala Devi passes away
- Famous TV actress Ann Morgan Guilbert dies
- Thailand PM Chan-ocha arrives in Delhi on a Three-day visit to Boost Ties between both the Nations
- Indian-origin Kamala Shirin Lakhdir nominated as US Ambassador to Malaysia
- India Gets First Women Fighter Pilots
- India settle for silver medal in Champions Trophy hockey
- Chetan Chauhan named NIFT Chairman
- Kerala Tourism bags four awards at 'FilmAT' International film festival in Poland
- CBDT to soon launch 'e-nivaran' for speedy grievance redressal
- Sugar shares fall by up to 10% on imposition of export duty
- Review and planning meeting of Indo-EU 'Water4crops' project held in New Delhi
- Andy Murray beats Milos Raonic to win record fifth Queen's title
- Nico Rosberg wins European Grand Prix
- India won Silver medal at Archery World Cup in Antalya

- Six Central Universities will have full fledged Yoga departments from academic session 2016-17 and the number would be raised to 20 within one year.
- Prime Minister to lead the world in celebrating the Second International Day of Yoga on June 21st
- Govt approves 100% FDI in aviation, defence, e-commerce
- Punjab Government launches Mukh Mantri Punjab Hepatitis C Relief Fund
- Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana to be launched in Odisha
- Kannada film 'Thithi' wins top award in Shanghai film festival
- Renowned Educationalist Jeppiaar passes away
- 106-year-old Aida Gemanque becomes oldest Olympic torch bearer
- Sri Lankan pacer Shaminda Eranga suspended by ICC for illegal action
- Jaitley releases silver coin to mark Martyrdom Day of Banda Singh Bahadur
- Virginia Raggi became first female mayor of Rome
- Assam Government launches Maitree Ek Gyan Yatra
- South India Bank has announced the launch of its Remit2India Service. It is a secure online money transfer service for NRIs. The new arrangement facilitates faster, cost-effective remittance from the US to SIB accounts in India
- IT dept to block PAN, LPG subsidy of tax defaulters
- ISRO launches record 20 satellites in single mission FROM Satish Dhawan Space Center in Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.
- Scientists make world's first 1,000-processor microchip
- Vice President inaugurates 2-day international conference on Yoga
- Maharashtra Govt grants minority status to Jews as per the provisions of the Maharashtra State Minorities Commission Act, 2004.
- Himachal Pradesh government has launched a Rs. 640 crore project for skill development under which multipurpose training and marketing centres will be set up in rural areas as per the needs of local youths.
- Aadhaar to be linked with caste certificates
- SCO summit to begin tomorrow in Tashkent
- Govt sets terms for PPF withdrawal
- Telangana poet and lyricist Guda Anjaiah passes away
- Ken Miyauchi to replace Nikesh Arora as SoftBank President
- Anil Kumble appointed the new head coach of the Indian cricket team for a period of 1 YEAR
- PayPal appoints Anupam Pahuja as India Country Manager and MD
- Railway Minister Suresh Prabhu has flagged off a new train service between Danapur and Saharsa in Bihar through video-conferencing at Rail Bhawan in New Delhi.
- Cabinet approves Rs.6,000 Cr package for textiles
- LIC chairman S K Roy resigns two years before his term ends
- Assam: Ambubachi Mela at Kamakhya temple to begins
- India ranks 10th in FDI inflows: UNCTAD report
- A Life in Diplomacy authored by 'MK Rasgotra'

- AIFF (All India Football Federation) to launch 'Mission 11 Million' for football .
- Russian hockey winger Artemi Panarin wins 2015-2016 Calder Memorial Trophy
- India wins three match T20 series with Zimbabwe
- IIT-Kanpur professor Sanjay Mittal awarded 2015 GD Birla Award
- Mahasthangarh, the 3rd century BC archaeological site in Bogra, Bangladesh, has been declared as the South Asian Association of Regional Cooperation (SARRC) cultural capital for the year 2016-17.
- Brexit wins as Britain votes to leave European Union in historic referendum , The United Kingdom has voted by 52 % to 48 % to leave the European Union after 43 years in a historic referendum.
- Tech Mahindra Ltd acquires UK-based BIO Agency Ltd
- M S Dhoni becomes brand ambassador of Exide Life Insurance
- RBI releases framework on payments systems , Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has released its much awaited 'Vision-2018' document.
- Nagaland Governor launches women's helpline number '181'
- Nokia appoints Sanjay Malik India head
- Colombia and FARC rebels sign historic ceasefire deal to end 50-year conflict
- ADB extends \$500-million loan for river bridge in Bihar
- Indian-origin lawyer to chair panel on human rights in South Sudan
- NEIL O'BRIEN, a leader of the Anglo-Indian community who is credited with pioneering quizzing in the country, passed away in Kolkata
- Sri Lanka's parliament votes in favour of right to information bill
- BCCI to host mini IPL in September
- DRDO inks MoU with Kolkata's JU to establish Rs.100 cr research centre at Jadavpur University
- Nepal bans citizens from working in Afghanistan, Iraq, Syria and Libya
- Sri Lankan Parliament passes Right to Information bill with amendments
- Artemi Panarin wins 2015-2016 Calder Memorial Trophy
- Noted Malayalam theatre artist Kavalam Narayana Panicker passes away
- International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking observed with theme Listen First
- Chile beat Argentina 4-2 to lift Copa America cup
- Lionel Messi retires from international football
- Jitu Rai wins silver in ISSF World Cup in 10 m Air Pistol event at the ISSF World Cup held in Baku, Azerbaijan.
- India formally became the 35th full member of the Missile Technology Control Regime (MTCR).
- First flight of BrahMos missile from SU-30 MKI aircraft successfully conducted
- PM Narendra Modi launches Smart city Mission Projects in Pune
- Union Railway Minister Suresh Prabhu has flagged off a maiden train on 81-km railway line between Sonipat to Jind.
- Darjeeling zoo gets a male snow leopard for breeding conservation programme
- Sri Sri Ravi Shankar awarded Honorary Fellowship in UK

- Government-appointed panel has selected N S Vishwanathan as a Reserve Bank of India deputy governor replacing incumbent H R Khan.
- Sujoy Bose appointed CEO of NIIIF
- Gudni Johannesson wins Iceland's presidential election
- UP declares all natural calamities as state disaster
- BHEL commissions two hydel units in Afghanistan
- CSIR launches anti diabetic ayurvedic drug BGR -34
- Xerxes Desai founder of Titan passes away
- Anju Bobby George & Pullela Gopichand taken as members of Khelo India
- National Inter-State Senior Athletics C'ships begin in Hyderabad
- Argentina women win record seventh FIH Champions Trophy title
- **IPL Season-9 Winner List**
 IPL Winner Award - Sunrisers Hyderabad - 15 Crore with Trophy
 IPL Runner Up - Royal Challengers Bangalore - 10 Crore
 Orange Cap Award - Most Runs Scored - Virat Kohli (RCB) - 10 Lakh with Trophy
 Purple Cap Award (Most Wickets) - Bhuvneshwar Kumar (SRH) - 10 Lakh with Trophy
 Most Valuable Player - Virat Kohli (RCB) - 10 Lakh with Trophy
 Emerging Player of the Season - Mustafizur Rahman (SRH) - 10 Lakh with Trophy

Incoming Visitors of India

Date	Name of the Visitor	Visited As
March 01-03, 2016	H. E. Mr. Abul Hassan Mahmood Ali	Foreign Minister of the People's Republic of Bangladesh
March 07-08, 2016	H.E. Mr. Adel bin Ahmed Al-Jubeir	Foreign Minister of Saudi Arabia
March 11-13, 2016	Ms Claudia Ruiz Massieu Salinas	Foreign Minister of Mexico
March 26-29, 2016	Mr. Hernani Coelho	Foreign Minister of Timor Leste
April 03-10, 2016	Mr. Gunnar Bragi Sveinsson	Minister for Foreign Affairs and External Trade of Iceland
April 10-11, 2016	Mr. Abdulla Yameen Abdul Gayoom	President of Maldives
April 23-27, 2016	Mr. Fredrick A Mitchell	Minister for Foreign Affairs of the Bahamas
April 27-29, 2016	Mr. L. Purevsuren	Minister of Foreign Affairs of Mongolia
May 13-14, 2016	H.E. Maithripala Sirisena	President of Sri Lanka

May 19, 2016	Frank Bainimarama	Prime Minister of Fiji
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Outgoing Visitors of India

Date	Name of the Visitor	Visited As
March 16-17, 2016	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	External Affairs Minister to Nepal
March 30, 2016	Shri Narendra Modi	Prime Minister to Belgium
31 March - 01 April, 2016	Shri Narendra Modi	Prime Minister to USA
April 2-3, 2016	Shri Narendra Modi	Prime Minister to the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia
April 16-17, 2016	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	External Affairs Minister to Iran
April 17-19, 2016	Smt. Sushma Swaraj	External Affairs Minister to Russia
April 28-29, 2016	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	President to Papua New Guinea
April 30-02 May 2016	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	President to New Zealand
May 11-12, 2016	Dr. S Jaishankar	Foreign Secretary to Bangladesh
May 22-23, 2016	Shri Narendra Modi	Prime Minister to Iran
May 24-27, 2016	Shri Pranab Mukherjee	President to China
May 30- June 01, 2016	Mohammad Hamid Ansari	Vice President to Morocco