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World Diabetes Day 2026

- World Diabetes Day 2026 aims to raise awareness for diabetes and ensure people can receive early diagnosis and quality care. The theme of World Diabetes Day 2026-27 is '**Early action on diabetes**'.
- This aims to ensure people receive early diagnosis for diabetes, reduce the risk of type 2 diabetes and reduce stigma around living with diabetes. Over 40% of people with diabetes globally are undiagnosed (World Health Organization).
- World Diabetes Day is celebrated on November 14th as this was the birthday of Sir Frederick Banting. He and Charles Best discovered insulin in 1921, which became a lifesaving treatment for those with diabetes.
- The date was created in 1991 by the International Diabetes Federation with support from the World Health Organisation. This was due to increasing concerns regarding diabetes and its impact on health and economy.
- Diabetes is a chronic metabolic condition which causes blood glucose (blood sugar) levels to increase abnormally. This occurs if there is not enough insulin being produced by the pancreas or insulin isn't being used effectively in the body.
- Type 1 diabetes: Little/no insulin produced by the pancreas. Can occur at any age. Requires insulin treatment.
- Type 2 diabetes: Body cannot use insulin effectively or doesn't produce enough. Usually occurs slowly.
- Gestational diabetes: High blood glucose during pregnancy. Can cause increased health risks to mother and baby.



Children's Day 2026

- In India, Children's Day or Bal Diwas is celebrated on November 14 every year to commemorate the birthday of the first Prime Minister Jawaharlal Nehru. In 2026, Children's Day will be celebrated on Saturday to commemorate the 137th birthday of Nehru, who is popularly known as Chacha Nehru.
- Children's Day in India is directly linked to Jawaharlal Nehru. He was born on 14th November 1889 in Allahabad, now known as Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh. He became the first Prime Minister of India in 1947 and served until his death in 1964.



Gunjan and L. Ambekar Meetei Win India's First-Ever Boxing Gold Medals

- Indian boxing celebrated a landmark moment at the 2026 Youth Olympic Games in Dakar, Senegal, on 12th November 2026, Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei defeated Kristian Jubani (Ireland) in the men's 50kg final and Gunjan defeated Bouthaina Bensalah (Algeria) in the women's 48kg final.
- Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei – 50kg Male
- After a close final, Ambekar Meetei won 3-2 against Kristian Jubani (Ireland). This makes him the first Indian boxer to win a gold medal at the Youth Olympic Games.
- Gunjan – 48kg Female
- After defeating Bouthaina Bensalah (Algeria) with a score of 5-0, Gunjan became the first Indian female boxer to win gold at the Youth Olympic Games.
- Both boxers ended their boxing journey with a gold medal. This means India's two man boxing team have 100% success rate.
- Prior to the Dakar 2026 edition, India had only won two boxing medals at the Youth Olympic Games. Both of these were at the inaugural edition in Singapore in 2010.

Name	Weight	Medal
Shiva Thapa	**Male 54kg**	**Silver**
Vikas Krishan	**Male 60kg**	**Bronze**



ICC Women's Player of the Month for October 2026

- India's Deepti Sharma has won the ICC Women's Player of the Month award for October 2026 for the second time in her career. She bested Bangladesh's Sobhana Mostary and Australia's Annabel Sutherland.
- Sharma made a stunning all-round contribution during Zimbabwe's tour of India with 155 runs and 7 wickets in the T20I and ODI series. She hit a century in the 2nd ODI.
- Sharma was chosen over Sobhana Mostary from Bangladesh and Annabel Sutherland from Australia.



ICC Men’s Player of the Month for October 2026

- South African Star all-rounder Marco Jansen has been awarded with the ICC Men’s Player of the Month for the month of October 2026 after playing a key role in the Proteas 2-1 Test series victory against the Australia in the ICC World Test Championship (WTC).
- He played a vital role with;
- 85 runs in the first innings of the Second Test at Gqeberha and took 6 wickets (5/33 and 1/34).
- A half century in the Third Test and took 3 wickets to help South Africa win the series.
- South Africa turned things around to win the series 2-1 after being down 1-0.
- South Africa’s 2-1 series win against Australia helped them move up the ICC World Test Championship 2025-27 table.
- After the series, South Africa are now sitting in second place with 60 points (71.43%) from their seven Tests. New Zealand are currently in first place (72.22%).



Bharat’s Largest Underground LPG Storage Cavern

- The PM Narendra Modi dedicated India’s largest underground LPG cavern to the nation at Mangaluru in Karnataka. The cavern, which was developed for HPCL has a storage capacity of 80,000 metric tonnes and was constructed with an outlay of over **₹850 crore.**

- This will be the second underground LPG storage cavern in the country and will improve energy security by increasing the storage capacity and providing reliable LPG supply.
- This underground cavern was developed by Megha Engineering & Infrastructures Ltd (MEIL) for HPCL. Construction of the project commenced in 2019 after approval in 2018.
- India have underground crude oil storage facilities managed by the Indian Strategic Petroleum Reserves Limited (ISPRL). These are at three locations across the country.



India’s First Indigenous Insecticide Pioxaniliprole

- PI Industries has launched Pioxaniliprole, India’s first indigenously discovered insecticide molecule, under the trade name Pioxazon. The Central Insecticides Board and Registration Committee formally recognised it as the first insecticide active ingredient discovered in India at its 476th meeting.
- Approved as a 20% weight-by-volume Suspension Concentrate, Pioxaniliprole is registered for rice, chilli, tomato and Bengal gram (chana), and for use against fall armyworm in maize.
- Its target pests include yellow stem borer and leaf folder in rice; fall armyworm, fruit borer and tobacco caterpillar in chilli; fruit borer in tomato; and pod borer in Bengal gram. Commercial launches began on 31 October 2026, with a nationwide rollout from 6 November during the Rabi season.
- Pioxaniliprole belongs to the anthranilic diamide class and acts on ryanodine receptors, disrupting calcium regulation in insect muscle cells. This causes paralysis, stops feeding and ultimately kills the insect.

- PI Industries developed the molecule after more than a decade of research and has invested about ₹2,000 crore in overall research and development since 2014. The company plans to generate data for markets including the United States, Mexico and Brazil.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

Q1. World Diabetes Day is observed every year on which date?

A) 10 November
B) 12 November
C) 14 November
D) 20 November

Correct Answer: C) 14 November

Explanation: World Diabetes Day is observed on 14 November to commemorate the birthday of Sir Frederick Banting, who, along with Charles Best, played a key role in the discovery of insulin in 1921.

Q2. What is the theme of World Diabetes Day 2026–27?

A) Diabetes and Healthy Living
B) Early Action on Diabetes
C) Access to Diabetes Care
D) Diabetes Prevention for All

Correct Answer: B) Early Action on Diabetes

Explanation: The theme highlights early diagnosis, prevention of Type 2 diabetes, improved healthcare access and reducing the stigma associated with diabetes.

Q3. Children's Day in India is celebrated on 14 November to commemorate the birth anniversary of whom?

A) Mahatma Gandhi
B) Dr. Rajendra Prasad
C) Jawaharlal Nehru
D) Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel

Correct Answer: C) Jawaharlal Nehru

Explanation: Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru was born on 14 November 1889 in Allahabad (present-day Prayagraj), Uttar Pradesh. He was India's first Prime Minister and popularly known as Chacha Nehru.

Q4. Gunjan created history by becoming the first Indian female boxer to win gold at the Youth Olympic Games 2026 in which weight category?

A) 46 kg
B) 48 kg
C) 50 kg
D) 52 kg

Correct Answer: B) 48 kg

Explanation: Gunjan defeated Algeria's Bouthaina Bensalah by a 5–0 decision in the women's 48 kg final at Dakar, Senegal.

Q5. Who became the first Indian male boxer to win a gold medal at the Youth Olympic Games?

A) Shiva Thapa
B) Vikas Krishan
C) Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei
D) Amit Panghal

Correct Answer: C) Lairenlakpam Ambekar Meetei

Explanation: Ambekar Meetei won the men's 50 kg final by defeating Ireland's Kristian Jubani with a 3–2 decision at the 2026 Youth Olympic Games.

Q6. Who won the ICC Women's Player of the Month award for October 2026?

A) Smriti Mandhana
B) Harmanpreet Kaur
C) Deepti Sharma
D) Annabel Sutherland

Correct Answer: C) Deepti Sharma

Explanation: Deepti Sharma received the award for the second time in her career after scoring 155 runs and taking seven wickets during Zimbabwe's tour of India.

Q7. Who was awarded the ICC Men's Player of the Month for October 2026?

A) Kagiso Rabada
B) Marco Jansen
C) Pat Cummins
D) Mitchell Starc

Correct Answer: B) Marco Jansen

Explanation: South African all-rounder Marco Jansen received the award for his outstanding performance in the 2–1 Test series victory against Australia.

Q8. India's largest underground LPG storage cavern, dedicated to the nation in November 2026, is located in which state?

A) Gujarat
B) Maharashtra
C) Karnataka
D) Andhra Pradesh

Correct Answer: C) Karnataka

Explanation: The underground LPG cavern is located at Mangaluru, Karnataka. Developed for HPCL, it has a storage capacity of 80,000 metric tonnes and was constructed at a cost of over ₹850 crore.

Q9. India's first indigenously discovered insecticide molecule Pioxaniliprole was launched under which trade name?

A) Pioxazon
B) Bharat Crop
C) AgroShield
D) CropGuard

Correct Answer: A) Pioxazon

Explanation: PI Industries launched Pioxaniliprole under the brand name Pioxazon. It belongs to the anthranilic diamide class of insecticides and acts on ryanodine receptors.

Q10. Pioxaniliprole belongs to which class of insecticides?

A) Organophosphates
B) Carbamates
C) Pyrethroids
D) Anthranilic diamides

Correct Answer: D) Anthranilic diamides

Explanation: Pioxaniliprole acts on ryanodine receptors and disrupts calcium regulation in insect muscle cells, resulting in paralysis and ultimately the death of the insect.