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National Milk Day 2026

- National Milk Day is observed every year on 26 November in India to commemorate the birth anniversary of **Dr Verghese Kurien**, popularly known as the Father of the White Revolution.
- The day recognises his contribution to India's dairy cooperative movement and the transformation of the country's milk production system. India is currently the world's largest milk producer, accounting for nearly one-fourth of global milk production.
- National Milk Day is different from World Milk Day, which is observed on 1 June every year. The Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) established World Milk Day in 2001.

Aspect	Info
Observed on	26 November
First observed	2014
Country	India
Commemorates	Birth anniversary of Dr Verghese Kurien
Born on	26 November 1921
Popular title	Father of the White Revolution
Associated movement	White Revolution
Major programme	Operation Flood

Major Awards Received by Dr Verghese Kurien

Award	Year
Ramon Magsaysay Award	1963
World Food Prize	1989
Padma Vibhushan	1999



Samvidhan Diwas 2026

- India celebrates the ‘Constitution Day’ (Samvidhan Diwas) on 26th November 2026 to honour the date on which the Indian Constitution was adopted by the Constituent Assembly on 26th November 1949. It is therefore the 77 th year since this landmark happened.
- The Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs conducts the nationwide online reading of the Preamble through the MyGov portal in 23 different languages. The observance promotes constitutional awareness, responsible citizenship and democratic values.
- The Constituent Assembly adopted the Constitution of India on 26 November 1949, after nearly three years of discussions, debates and drafting.
- The Constitution came into effect on 26 January 1950, marking India’s transition into a republic.
- The Government of India officially declared 26 November as Constitution Day in 2015 to honour Dr B.R. Ambedkar and promote awareness of the Constitution.

- Before 2015, the date was observed as National Law Day by legal institutions.
- The year 2026 marks 77 years since the Constitution was adopted in 1949.



Anand Kumar Receives Japan's Special Achievement Award

- Indian mathematician and Super 30 founder Anand Kumar received the Japan's Special Achievement Award on November 25th 2026 for his contribution to education and efforts to expand learning opportunities for the economically disadvantaged children. Atsuhiro Horiuchi, Chairman and CEO of Japan-based CGC Group presented the award.
- The recognition highlighted Kumar's work through Super 30 and his latest initiative, Super Infinity, which aims to make mathematics education more accessible and engaging for children worldwide.
- The award citation recognised Kumar's work through,
- Super 30: Providing free, high-quality coaching to talented students from disadvantaged backgrounds.
- Super Infinity: Expanding mathematics learning opportunities beyond geographical and economic barriers.



BWF Announces New Delhi as Host of Thomas & Uber Cup 2028

- New Delhi will host the Thomas & Uber Cup Finals 2028, the Badminton World Federation (BWF) confirmed on 25 November 2026 while announcing host cities for its major tournaments over the next four years.
- This will be the second time India hosts the combined men's and women's badminton team championships, following the 2014 edition. The 2028 tournament will also introduce a revised 24-team format, a new points system and the 3×15 scoring system.
- **Thomas Cup**: The men's world team championship in badminton.
- **Uber Cup**: The women's world team championship in badminton.



Four Army Aircraft Land on Gujarat Highway

- On November 26, 2026, Union Road Transport and Highways Minister Nitin Gadkari announced that four Indian Army microlight aircraft had landed and taken off from the Amritsar-Jamnagar Economic Corridor (NH-754A) in Gujarat.
- The Indian Army's Team Mountain Eagles carried out the operation between Chainage Km 946 and Km 949 as part of the Wings of Valour and Unity Expedition. Gadkari called it a "historic demonstration of synergy" between the Army and the National Highways Authority of India (NHAI).
- The expedition was flagged off on November 14 and is scheduled to conclude on November 28, traversing Madhya Pradesh, Gujarat and Rajasthan.
- Gadkari said highways could support defence preparedness, emergency response and military logistics, as well as aero-adventure and tourism, subject to safety measures and coordination. He also cited the development of highway infrastructure to meet the strategic and operational needs of the Armed Forces.



NSE Ranks Third Globally by Market Capitalisation

- India's National Stock Exchange (NSE) became the world's third-largest listed exchange operator by market capitalisation, with a valuation of about $64.1 billion, or nearly Rs 6 lakh crore.
- NSE moved ahead of Germany's Deutsche Boerse AG, valued at 63.4 billion, and the London Stock Exchange, valued at 62.4 billion. It trailed only CME Group, at about 111.6 billion, and Intercontinental Exchange (ICE), at about 99.4 billion.
- On 26 November, NSE shares rose 3.5% to an intraday high of Rs 2,400, after opening at Rs 2,317.65. They closed higher in 14 of November's 18 trading

sessions. The shares had recovered nearly 50% from their post-listing low of Rs 1,640 and gained about 34% in October.

- NSE shares began trading on the BSE on 24 September 2026 at Rs 1,800, against an IPO issue price of Rs 1,785.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

Q1. International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women is observed every year on which date?

A) 10 December
B) 25 November
C) 8 March
D) 11 October

Answer: B) 25 November

Explanation: The United Nations General Assembly established this observance through Resolution 54/134 on 17 December 1999. The date honours the Mirabal Sisters of the Dominican Republic.

Q2. Who won the 75th Miss Universe title in 2026?

A) Melissa Núñez
B) Clara Vegas
C) Jennifer Barreto
D) Georgia Waddington

Answer: C) Jennifer Barreto

Explanation: Jennifer Barreto of Puerto Rico won Miss Universe 2026. The competition was held in San Juan, Puerto Rico, on 24 November 2026.

Q3. Vaibhav Sooryavanshi created a record by scoring a List-A double century in how many balls?

A) 103 balls
B) 75 balls
C) 62 balls
D) 52 balls

Answer: D) 52 balls

Explanation: The 15-year-old Indian batter achieved this milestone while playing for India A against UAE A in the ACC Men's Rising Stars Asia Cup 2026 in Doha, Qatar.

Q4. Which country has been recognised as the primary security partner of the Solomon Islands under the new bilateral security treaty signed in November 2026?

A) China
B) Australia
C) New Zealand
D) Japan

Answer: B) Australia

Explanation: Australia and the Solomon Islands signed a bilateral security treaty on 25 November 2026. It was signed by Anthony Albanese and Matthew Wale.

Q5. Which Indian state is set to become home to India's first e-waste-free district?

A) Karnataka
B) Tamil Nadu
C) Kerala
D) Goa

Answer: C) Kerala

Explanation: Wayanad district in Kerala is scheduled to receive the distinction on 27 November 2026 after the collection and scientific disposal of 97.26 metric tonnes of e-waste.

Q6. Which organisation coordinates the Natural Olympia bodybuilding championship?

A) FIFA
B) INBA/PNBA

C) International Olympic Committee
D) World Athletics

Answer: B) INBA/PNBA

Explanation: Natural Olympia is the flagship championship of the International Natural Bodybuilding Association (INBA) and Professional Natural Bodybuilding Association (PNBA).

Q7. Indian bodybuilder Shodhan Rai won a silver medal at Natural Olympia 2026, held in which country?

A) United Kingdom
B) Australia
C) United States
D) Canada

Answer: C) United States

Explanation: Shodhan Rai secured silver at Natural Olympia 2026 in Las Vegas, USA, on 24 November 2026.

Q8. Who has been selected for the Mahatma Phule Samata Puruskar 2026?

A) Gulzar
B) Javed Akhtar
C) Prasoon Joshi
D) Kumar Vishwas

Answer: B) Javed Akhtar

Explanation: Javed Akhtar will receive the award on 28 November 2026 in Pune, Maharashtra. The announcement was made by Chhagan Bhujbal.

Q9. Javed Akhtar received the Sahitya Akademi Award in 2013 for which poetry collection?

A) Tarkash
B) Lava
C) Sandesh
D) Khwab

Answer: B) Lava

Explanation: Javed Akhtar received the Sahitya Akademi Award in Urdu in 2013 for his poetry collection *Lava*.

Q10. Noolpuzha Gram Panchayat, which was declared India's first e-waste-free panchayat in October 2026, is located in which state?

A) Kerala
B) Sikkim
C) Meghalaya
D) Arunachal Pradesh

Answer: A) Kerala

Explanation: Noolpuzha Gram Panchayat in Wayanad district was declared India's first e-waste-free panchayat on 27 October 2026 after collecting approximately 5,423 kg of electronic waste.