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National Girl Child Day 2026

- National Girl Child Day 2026 will be observed across India on Saturday, 24 January. The day is dedicated to raising awareness about the rights of the girl child and addressing the challenges faced by girls in Indian society. It also highlights the importance of gender equality and the need to create a safe, supportive, and empowering environment for every girl.
- The Government of India began observing National Girl Child Day in 2008 under the Ministry of Women and Child Development. The initiative was launched in response to concerns such as declining child sex ratio, gender-based discrimination, limited access to education, early marriage, and health-related inequalities affecting girls.
- The primary objective of National Girl Child Day is to promote positive societal attitudes toward girls and to spread awareness about government schemes aimed at their welfare. On this day, various programs are organized across the country, including awareness campaigns, workshops, rallies, debates, and educational activities in schools and communities.
- National Girl Child Day also emphasizes the importance of educating girls, ensuring their nutrition and healthcare, and protecting them from violence and exploitation. It encourages families and communities to view girls as equal contributors to social, economic, and national development.
- Several government initiatives align with the spirit of this observance, such as Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao, schemes for girl child education, and programs focused on maternal and adolescent health. Together, these efforts aim to empower girls to achieve their full potential and participate equally in nation-building.

- By observing National Girl Child Day, India reaffirms its commitment to building a more inclusive and equitable society where every girl child is valued, respected, and given equal opportunities to grow and succeed.



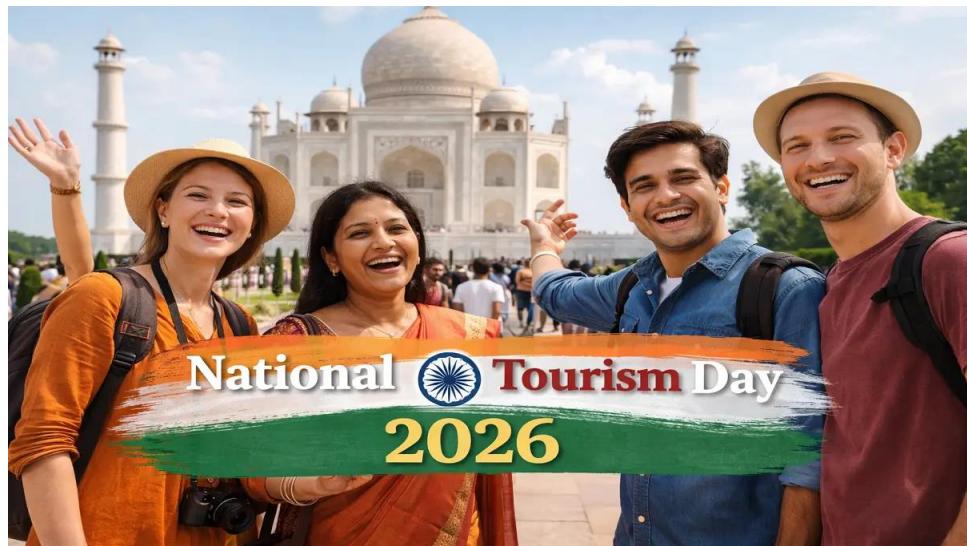
National Voters Day 2026

- National Voters Day is observed every year on **January 25** across India. In 2026, the day will fall on Sunday, January 25. The date is significant because it marks the foundation day of the **Election Commission of India (ECI)**, the constitutional body responsible for conducting free and fair elections in the country.
- National Voters Day was first celebrated in 2011. The Government of India decided to observe this day to increase awareness about the importance of electoral participation and to encourage more citizens to register as voters.
- The day commemorates the establishment of the Election Commission of India on January 25, 1950, just one day before India became a Republic. Since then, the Election Commission has played a crucial role in maintaining the integrity and transparency of elections in the world's largest democracy.



National Tourism Day 2026

- National Tourism Day 2026 will be observed on Sunday, January 25 across the country. Various events and awareness programs will be organized by tourism departments, educational institutions, and cultural organizations to celebrate the day.
- The idea of promoting tourism in India dates back to the post-independence period, when the government recognized tourism as an important sector for economic and cultural development.
- Over time, India began focusing on showcasing its historical monuments, natural landscapes, wildlife, traditions, and festivals to both domestic and international travelers.
- National Tourism Day aims to:
- Spread awareness about the economic and social importance of tourism
- Encourage citizens to travel within India and explore lesser-known destinations
- Promote eco-friendly and sustainable tourism practices
- Support local communities that depend on tourism for their livelihood
- Highlight India's diverse cultural and natural attractions



Uttar Pradesh Statehood Day

- The Prime Minister, Narendra Modi extended warm greetings to all the people of Uttar Pradesh on the occasion of the state's Establishment Day, lauding their invaluable contribution to the richness of India's culture and heritage.
- The theme for Uttar Pradesh Foundation Day 2025 is "**Development and Heritage: Uttar Pradesh on the Path to Progress**".
- The state government will confer the '**Uttar Pradesh Gaurav Samman**' award on six individuals from the fields of music, agriculture and education during the state foundation day.
- Uttar Pradesh, formerly known as United Provinces, was renamed on 24 January, 1950, by the governor general of India through the United Provinces (Alteration of Name) Order, 1950.
- The state began celebrating 24 January as UP Foundation Day in 2018, following a suggestion by governor Ram Naik.



Uttarakhand Signs MoU with ITBP

- The Uttarakhand government has taken an important step to strengthen healthcare facilities in border areas. On Thursday, the state government signed a MoU with the Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP) under a new initiative called '**Swasth Seema Abhiyan**'.
- The agreement aims to provide better medical services to people living in remote border villages.
- Under the Swasth Seema Abhiyan, integrated primary healthcare services will be provided to 108 border villages located in Pithoragarh, Chamoli and Uttarkashi districts. These villages are located in difficult and hard-to-reach areas. The programme will be rolled out in phases, starting with the most remote locations.



REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. National Voters' Day is observed every year on which date in India?

- A. 24 January
- B. 25 January
- C. 26 January
- D. 30 January

Answer: B

2. National Voters' Day marks the establishment of which constitutional body?

- A. Supreme Court of India
- B. Parliament of India
- C. Election Commission of India
- D. NITI Aayog

Answer: C

3. In which year was National Voters' Day celebrated for the first time?

- A. 2005
- B. 2008
- C. 2011
- D. 2014

Answer: C

4. The Election Commission of India was established on which date?

- A. 26 January 1950
- B. 15 August 1947
- C. 25 January 1950
- D. 2 October 1950

Answer: C

5. National Tourism Day in India is observed on:

- A. 23 January
- B. 24 January
- C. 25 January
- D. 26 January

Answer: C

6. Which of the following is NOT an objective of National Tourism Day?

- A. Promoting sustainable tourism
- B. Encouraging domestic travel
- C. Supporting local communities
- D. Promoting industrial privatization

Answer: D

7. Uttar Pradesh was renamed from “United Provinces” in which year?

- A. 1947
- B. 1949
- C. 1950
- D. 1956



Answer: C

8. Uttar Pradesh began celebrating its Foundation Day annually from which year?

- A. 2015
- B. 2016
- C. 2017
- D. 2018

Answer: D

9. Uttarakhand signed an MoU with which organization under the ‘Swasth Seema Abhiyan’?

- A. Border Security Force (BSF)
- B. Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF)
- C. Indo-Tibetan Border Police (ITBP)
- D. National Disaster Response Force (NDRF)

Answer: C

10. Under the Swasth Seema Abhiyan, integrated healthcare services will be provided to how many border villages?

- A. 75
- B. 96
- C. 108
- D. 120

Answer: C



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