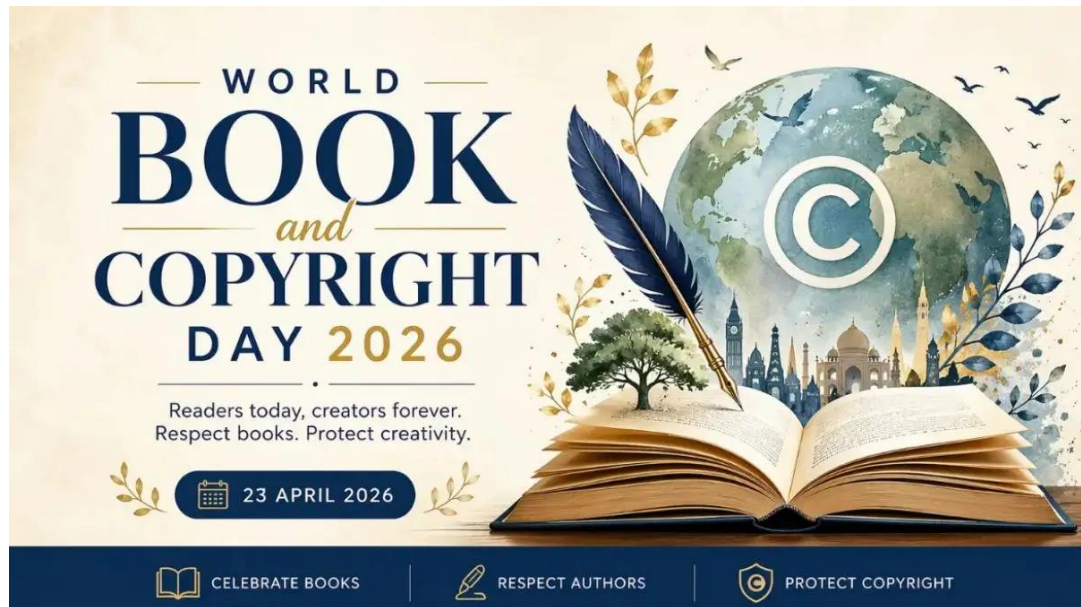


# Daily Current Affairs

## 23 April 2026

### World Book Day 2026

- World Book and Copyright Day 2026 observed on **23rd April** around the world every year. This day celebrates the power of books, authors and reading culture.
- The 23rd of April holds the special significance in literary history. It is associated with the death anniversaries of some of the greatest writers in the world.
- Miguel de Cervantes (Spain)
- William Shakespeare (England)
- Inca Garcilaso de la Vega (Peru)
- Although the Shakespeare and Cervantes are both recorded as they having died on 23 April 1616 and they actually passed away on the different dates due to differences between the Julian and Gregorian calendars.
- Every year UNESCO designates the city as the World Book Capital to promote reading and literary activities. In the year 2026 Rabat the capital of **Morocco** holds this prestigious title.
- World Book Day 2026 (April 23) focuses on promoting the joy of reading, with a key theme of "**Go All In**" encouraging deeper engagement with books.



## English Language Day 2026

- English Language Day 2026 observed on April 23 around the world to celebrate the importance of the English language in the global communication. The day honors the legacy of the William Shakespeare whose birth and death anniversary fall on the same date.
- English Language Day was established in year 2010 by the United Nations as part of its Language Days initiative.



## Tashkent to Host World Para Athletics Championships 2027

- World Para Athletics has announced that Tashkent will host the 2027 World Para Athletics Championships. This event is scheduled to be held in the June 2027.
- Asia has previously hosted the event in the cities like the,
- Doha (2015)
- Dubai (2019)
- Kobe (2024)
- New Delhi (2025)



## Bharat Launches 'VM Frames'

- The Ministry of Culture under the Government of India has launched the '**VM Frames**' National Filmmaking Competition to mark the 150 years of Vande Mataram. This initiative invites the citizens and specially the young creators to express the spirit of the nation via the visual storytelling.
- The Vande Mataram is written by the Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay and it has a powerful role during the India's freedom struggle.
- 'VM Frames' is just more than a competition it is the platform for storytelling which connects India's past with its present and future. Also the participants are

encouraged to creatively interpret the values of the Vande Mataram using modern formats.

- The contest is open into the three engaging formats.
- Reels – Short and impactful visual stories
- AI-Based Films – Innovative storytelling by using artificial intelligence
- Short Films – The detailed cinematic narratives



## India's New Online Gaming Rules

- To regulate the rapidly growing the online gaming sector India has introduced new rules to focusing on the user safety and the responsible gaming. These are to be notified on the ay 1st, 2026 under the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology.
- The Gaming companies must implement safeguards against,
- The Financial risks like excessive spending
- Also to stop psychological harm.
- Also, security and privacy threats
- Consumption of inappropriate or harmful content
- The general games may not need mandatory registration, and the e-sports platforms must be registered with OGAI.



## REVIEW QUESTIONS

1. World Book and Copyright Day is observed on which date?

- A. April 21
- B. April 22
- C. April 23
- D. April 24

**Answer:** C. April 23

**Explanation:** The day is celebrated globally on April 23 to promote reading, publishing, and copyright awareness.

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2. Which organization designates the World Book Capital each year?

- A. United Nations
- B. World Bank
- C. UNESCO
- D. IMF

**Answer:** C. UNESCO

**Explanation:** UNESCO selects a city annually to promote books and reading culture.

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**3. Which city is named the World Book Capital for 2026?**

- A. Paris
- B. Rabat
- C. Madrid
- D. Rome

**Answer:** B. Rabat

**Explanation:** Rabat has been chosen as the World Book Capital for 2026.

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**4. Which famous playwright is associated with both birth and death on April 23?**

- A. Charles Dickens
- B. William Shakespeare
- C. Leo Tolstoy
- D. Mark Twain

**Answer:** B. William Shakespeare

**Explanation:** William Shakespeare is traditionally believed to have been born and died on April 23.

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**5. Why did Shakespeare and Cervantes not actually die on the same date despite records?**

- A. Time zone differences
- B. Clerical errors
- C. Different calendar systems
- D. War delays

**Answer:** C. Different calendar systems

**Explanation:** Miguel de Cervantes and Shakespeare's dates differ due to Julian vs Gregorian calendars.

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**6. English Language Day was established in which year?**

- A. 2005
- B. 2008
- C. 2010
- D. 2012

**Answer:** C. 2010

**Explanation:** The United Nations introduced it in 2010 to promote multilingualism.

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**7. Which city will host the World Para Athletics Championships 2027?**

- A. Dubai
- B. Doha
- C. Tashkent
- D. Tokyo

**Answer:** C. Tashkent

**Explanation:** Tashkent will host the championship in June 2027.

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**8. 'VM Frames' initiative is related to which Indian cultural element?**

- A. National Anthem
- B. Vande Mataram
- C. Jana Gana Mana
- D. Sare Jahan Se Achha

**Answer:** B. Vande Mataram

**Explanation:** Vande Mataram is the inspiration behind the filmmaking competition.

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**9. Who composed 'Vande Mataram'?**

- A. Rabindranath Tagore
- B. Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay
- C. Sarojini Naidu
- D. Subramania Bharati

**Answer:** B. Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay

**Explanation:** Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay wrote the song.

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**10. India's new online gaming rules will be implemented under which ministry?**

- A. Ministry of Home Affairs
- B. Ministry of Finance
- C. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology
- D. Ministry of Youth Affairs

**Answer:** C. Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology

**Explanation:** Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology will oversee the new regulations.