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# Today's Event – 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021

- 1602 The Bodleian Library at the University of Oxford is opened to the public.
- 1605 Robert Catesby, ringleader of the Gunpowder Plotters, is killed.
- 1614 Japanese *daimyÅ* Dom Justo Takayama is exiled to the Philippines by shÅ gun Tokugawa Ieyasu for being Christian.
- 1620 The Battle of White Mountain takes place near Prague, ending in a decisive Catholic victory in only two hours.
- 1644 The Shunzhi Emperor, the third emperor of the Qing dynasty, is enthroned in Beijing after the collapse of the Ming dynasty as the first Qing emperor to rule over China.
- 1745 Charles Edward Stuart invades England with an army of ~5000 that would later participate in the Battle of Culloden.
- 1837 Mary Lyon founds Mount Holyoke Female Seminary, which later becomes Mount Holyoke College.
- 1861 American Civil War: The "Trent Affair": The USS San Jacinto stops the British mail ship *Trent* and arrests two Confederate envoys, sparking a diplomatic crisis between the UK and US.
- 1889 Montana is admitted as the 41st U.S. state.
- 1892 The New Orleans general strike begins, uniting black and white American trade unionists in a successful four-day general strike action for the first time.
- 1895 While experimenting with electricity, Wilhelm Röntgen discovers the X-ray.
- 1917 The first Council of People's Commissars is formed, including Vladimir Lenin, Leon Trotsky and Joseph Stalin.
- 1932 Franklin D. Roosevelt is elected as the 32nd President of the United States, defeating incumbent president Herbert Hoover.
- 1933 Great Depression: New Deal: US President Franklin D. Roosevelt unveils the Civil Works Administration, an organization designed to create jobs for more than 4 million unemployed.
- 1937 The Nazi exhibition *Der ewige Jude* ("The Eternal Jew") opens in Munich.
- 1939 In Munich, Adolf Hitler narrowly escapes the assassination attempt of Georg Elser while celebrating the 16th anniversary of the Beer Hall Putsch.
- 1957 Pan Am Flight 7 disappears between San Francisco and Honolulu. Wreckage and bodies are discovered a week later.
- 1957 Operation Grapple X, Round C1: The United Kingdom conducts its first successful hydrogen bomb test over Kiritimati in the Pacific.
- 1960 John F. Kennedy is elected as the 35th President of the United States, defeating incumbent Vice President Richard Nixon, who would later be elected president in 1968 and 1972.



- 1963 Finnair's Aero O/Y Flight 217 crashes near Mariehamn Airport in Jomala, Åland, killing 22 people
- 1965 The British Indian Ocean Territory is created, consisting of Chagos Archipelago, Aldabra, Farquhar and Des Roches islands.
- 1965 The Murder (Abolition of Death Penalty) Act 1965 is given Royal Assent, formally abolishing the death penalty in the United Kingdom for almost all crimes.
- 1965 The 173rd Airborne is ambushed by over 1,200 Viet Cong in Operation Hump during the Vietnam War, while the 1st Battalion, Royal Australian Regiment fight one of the first set-piece engagements of the war between Australian forces and the Viet Cong at the Battle of Gang Toi.
- 1965 American Airlines Flight 383 crashes in Constance, Kentucky, killing 58.
- 1966 Former Massachusetts Attorney General Edward Brooke becomes the first African American elected to the United States Senate since Reconstruction.
- 1966 U.S. President Lyndon B. Johnson signs into law an antitrust exemption allowing the National Football League to merge with the upstart American Football League.
- 1968 The Vienna Convention on Road Traffic is signed to facilitate international road traffic and to increase road safety by standardising the uniform traffic rules among the signatories.
- 1972 American pay television network Home Box Office (HBO) launches.
- 1973 The right ear of John Paul Getty III is delivered to a newspaper outlet along with a ransom note, convincing his father to pay US\$2.9 million.
- 1977 Manolis Andronikos, a Greek archaeologist and professor at the Aristotle University of Thessaloniki, discovers the tomb of Philip II of Macedon at Vergina.
- 1987 Remembrance Day bombing: A Provisional IRA bomb explodes in Enniskillen, Northern Ireland during a ceremony honouring those who had died in wars involving British forces. Twelve people are killed and sixty-three wounded.
- 1988 U.S. Vice President George H. W. Bush is elected as the 41st president.
- 1994 Republican Revolution: On the night of the 1994 United States midterm
  elections, Republicans make historic electoral gains by securing massive majorities in both houses
  of Congress (54 seats in the House and eight seats in the Senate, additionally), thus bringing to a close
  four decades of Democratic domination.
- 1999 Bruce Miller is killed at his junkyard near Flint, Michigan. His wife Sharee Miller, who convinced
  her online lover Jerry Cassaday to kill him (before later killing himself) was convicted of the crime, in
  what became the world's first Internet murder.
- 2002 Iraq disarmament crisis: UN Security Council Resolution 1441: The United Nations Security
  Council unanimously approves a resolution on Iraq, forcing Saddam Hussein to disarm or face "serious
  consequences".
- 2011 The potentially hazardous asteroid 2005 YU55 passes 0.85 lunar distances from Earth (about 324,600 kilometres or 201,700 miles), the closest known approach by an asteroid of its brightness since 2010 XC15 in 1976.



- 2013 Typhoon Haiyan, one of the strongest tropical cyclones ever recorded, strikes the Visayas region of the Philippines; the storm left at least 6,340 people dead with over 1,000 still missing, and caused \$2.86 billion (2013 USD) in damage.
- 2016 Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi publicly announces the withdrawal of â⊡¹500 and â⊡¹1000 denomination banknotes.
- 2016 Donald Trump is elected the 45th President of the United States, defeating Hillary Clinton, the first woman ever to receive a major party's nomination.

#### National Events-

- Supreme Court judge, Justice Uday Umesh Lalit on Sunday said that the standard of education imparted in government schools is not keeping at par with that at private schools, even though India has best professional educational institutions in the public sector.
- An Indian Coast Guard (ICG) ship on Sunday rescued seven fishermen whose boat caught fire due to
  fuel leakage from its engine exhaust and was sinking near the international maritime boundary in the
  Arabian sea off the Gujarat coast.
- In a significant development that came less than 24 hours after a special holiday court sent him to
  judicial custody for 14 days, the Bombay High Court on Sunday remanded Maharashtra's former Home
  Minister and accused in a money laundering case Anil Deshmukh to the custody of the Enforcement
  Directorate.
- Heavy rains lashed Chennai and its suburban areas overnight leading to all round water-logging and authorities on Sunday sounded a preliminary flood alert to people as three city reservoirs were opened in a phased manner to release surplus water.
- Tigress 'Radha' has given birth to two cubs, taking the number of striped animals in Madhya Pradesh's largest Nauradehi Wildlife Sanctuary to seven, an official said on Sunday. Radha in the first litter had given birth to three cubs in 2020.

#### International Events-

- As digitisation has become the buzzword amid the Covid-19 pandemic, cooperative societies, particularly banks — whether big or small — are finding themselves in the crosshairs of cyber criminals. This has prompted stakeholders like the National Cooperative Development Corporation (NCDC) to step forward to ensure cyber security of digital assets of these institutions.
- Iraq's Prime Minister Mustafa al-Kadhimi survived an assassination attempt with armed drones that
  targeted his residence early on Sunday and officials said he was unharmed. The attack was a major
  escalation amid tensions sparked by the refusal of Iran-backed militias to accept last month's
  parliamentary election results.
- The United States reopens its land and air borders Monday to foreign visitors fully vaccinated against Covid-19, ending 20 months of restrictions on travel from around the globe that separated families, hobbled tourism and strained diplomatic ties.
- Libya's Government on Sunday rejected a decision by the country's presidential council to suspend the foreign minister over allegations of monopolizing foreign policy.
- North Korea has conducted artillery firing exercises to bolster its defence capability, state media reported Sunday, its latest weapons test as Pyongyang continues to pressure Washington and Seoul to abandon what it calls their hostile policy.



#### Job alerts-

- CSPHCL Jobs for Data Entry Operator and other posts. Last date 11/11/2021
- Gujarat Post Office Jobs for Postal Assistant, Postman, MTS and other posts. Last date 25/11/2021
- Indian Air Force Jobs for LDC, Cook, Carpenter, Driver, Superintendent, MTS, Fireman and other posts. Last date 29/11/2021
- Gujarat Police Jobs for Police Constables and other posts. Last date 09/11/2021
- Coast Guard Region NE Jobs for Engine Driver, MTS, Lascar and other posts. Last date 29/11/2021

## Sports-

- India's Manika Batra and Archana Kamath tasted their first major success as a pair by winning the women's doubles title at the WTT Contender Lasko here on Sunday.
- Playing international cricket since the last century, when some of his current teammates were not even born, Shoaib Malik on Sunday showed them the way with an astonishing 18-ball 54 to set up Pakistan's 72-run mauling of Scotland in the T20 World Cup.
- A day before his last match as India's bowling coach, Bharat Arun did admit that both toss and bubble fatigue contributed to India's indifferent performance in the T20 World Cup, where they lost to Pakistan and New Zealand in Super 12 stage.
- Red Bull earned itself one heck of a Formula One fiesta. Max Verstappen won the Mexico City Grand
   Prix with a dominant race Sunday to stretch his season championship lead over Mercedes driver Lewis Hamilton.
- India were sent packing from the T20 World Cup after a clinical New Zealand clinched a facile eightwicket triumph over Afghanistan in their final Super 12 game to claim the last available semifinal spot here on Sunday.

## Awards and honours-

Kangana Ranaut won her 4<sup>th</sup> national award gracing the Padma Awards 2020

# Technology-

- Google recently launched its most awaited Pixel 6 series in the global market. At the launch, the
  company promised that the Pixel 6 Pro's charger is capable of juicing up to 50 per cent of the battery in
  half an hour, but now a new report has claimed that the charging capability may not be entirely
  correct.
- Tech giant Microsoft has revealed this week that it will no longer support OneDrive on Windows 7, 8, and 8.1 starting on March 1, 2022.
- Tesla Inc CEO Elon Musk should sell about 10% of his Tesla stock, according to 57.9% of people who
  voted on his Twitter poll asking users of the social media network
- In an interesting turn of events, a Chicago-based tech firm called Meta Company is going to court against Facebook, alleging that the social network stole its name
- Apple has reportedly hired another top Tesla executive. According to a report in Bloomberg News, the company has hired Christopher 'CJ' Moore.



## Economy -

- India on Sunday told the UN climate summit here that its solar energy capacity stands at about 45 gigawatts after it increased 17 times in the last seven years, asserting that although the country represents 17 per cent of the global population, its historical cumulative emissions are only 4 per cent.
- The US has partnered with the UK and India-led Green Grids Initiative of a global energy grid launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the COP26 climate summit in Glasgow.
- After opening on a positive note, the 30-share index turned negative to trade 130.18 points or 0.22 per cent lower at 59,937.44 in initial deals. Similarly, the Nifty fell 25.80 points or 0.14 per cent to 17,891.
- India is among 27 countries to sign up to a sustainable agriculture action agenda at the conclusion of the first week of the COP26 climate summit in Glasgow, laying out new commitments to make farming more sustainable and less polluting.
- Speaking on the occasion of NTPC's Raising Day, R K Singh, Union Minister (Power, New & Renewable Energy) said "NTPC is a special company; it is the largest provider of energy to our country, the most important input for growth".

#### Local -

- 1k cops and CRPF jawans deployed for another Assam eviction
- Administering covid 2<sup>nd</sup> dose of covid vaccine a challenge for Karnataka government as only 47% covered
- Telangana sees 122 covid cases and 2 more deaths
- Lakes in Kolkata to be out of bounds for Chhath Puja
- 7 fishermen rescued by coastguard after boat catches fire in Gujarat

GK –

Which Indian bank launched the first 'Video life certificate service' for pensioners?

- [A] Punjab National Bank
- [B] Canara Bank
- [C] State Bank of India
- [D] Bank of Baroda

As per a recent NASA study on Climate change, which crop is set to see a growth of 17% due to climate change?

- [A] Rice
- [B] Wheat
- [C] Maize
- [D] Cotton

Which country is the first in the world to approve an oral pill 'Molnupiravir' to treat symptomatic Covid?



- [A] USA
- [B] UK
- [C] Australia
- [D] China

India is set to have seven additional entry and exit points for trade, with which country?

- [A] Nepal
- [B] Bhutan
- [C] Bangladesh
- [D] Sri Lanka

'Bestu Varas' is the New year day celebrated in which state?

- [A] Karnataka
- [B] Gujarat
- [C] Maharashtra
- [D] Tamil Nadu