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1. World Brain Day - 22 July (July 23, 2023)

World Brain Day, also known as International Brain Day, is an annual health care event observed around the world on 22 July.

An Overview of the News

- The event has been happening for the past nine years and is dedicated to raising awareness about brain diseases.
- Theme of 2023: The theme for World Brain Day 2023 is "**Brain health and disability: leaving no one behind.**" This global initiative focuses on bridging the knowledge gap and raising awareness of brain health disorders.
- Objective: The main goal is to advocate for improved health care, education and research related to neurological disorders with a special emphasis on providing high quality health care to persons with disabilities.

History of World Brain Day

- The World Federation of Neurology (WFN) was **established on July 22, 1957**, which serves as an important organisation in the field of neurology.
- During the World Congress of Neurology (WCN) Council of Delegates meeting on **September 22, 2013, the Public Awareness and Advocacy Committee presented a proposal to celebrate July 22 as "World Brain Day"**.
- Recognizing the importance of raising awareness of brain health and neurological disorders, the **WFN's Board of Trustees approved the concept during its meeting held in February 2014.**
- Since its inception, "World Brain Day" has served as a platform to educate the public, health care professionals, and policy makers about neurological issues, research advances, and the importance of brain health globally.

About World Federation of Neurology

- Establishment - **July 1957**
- Headquarters Location - **London, United Kingdom**
- President - **Prof. Wolfgang Griswold**

2. World Snake Day: 16 July (July 17, 2023)

World-Snake-Day-16-July

World Snake Day was celebrated on 16 July 2023 at the **National Zoological Park, (Delhi Zoo) in New Delhi.**

An Overview of the news:

- The purpose of celebrating World Snake Day is to protect snakes by raising awareness about the snakes of India, mistrust about snakes and the importance of snakes in our ecology.
- On this occasion, the snake rearing staff conducted the enrichment activity by providing cage furniture in the reptile house. Along with this, tree plantation was also done inside the snake houses.
- After Mission Life with about 350 visitors and young children at the Reptile House talks about snakes and healthy living.
- Reptile House Walk was organized on this occasion.
- Presently **31 snakes of 07 species** are present in the National Zoological Park.

National Parks of India:

- There are currently 106 national parks in India.
- The **largest national park** in India is the **Hemis National Park (Ladakh)**.
- The smallest national park in India is **South Button National Park** (Andaman and Nicobar Islands).
- The first national park of India is **Jim Corbett National Park** (Uttarakhand), which was established in 1936.
- **Cheetah** was introduced to **Kuno National Park** in India for the first time after independence.
- The maximum number of tigers in India is located in Madhya Pradesh, followed by Karnataka.
- The maximum number of 11 national parks in India is in the state of Madhya Pradesh, where there are a total of 11 national parks.

3. World International Justice Day - July 17 (July 17, 2023)

IndiaWorld-International-Justice-Day---July-17

An Overview of the News

- The day focuses on promoting international criminal justice and advocating for the rights of victims.

History:

- It commemorates the adoption of the Rome Statute on 17 July 1998, which established the International Criminal Court (ICC).
- The ICC is tasked with protecting individuals from heinous crimes such as genocide, crimes against humanity, war crimes and crimes of aggression.

Mission:

- The primary mission of the ICC is **to ensure justice and accountability for these heinous crimes, thus contributing to global peace, security and prosperity.**
- **Global participation:** People around the world come together on this day to support justice, raise awareness of international criminal justice, and cooperate in preventing future crimes.

- **Advocacy for Victims:** The day serves as a platform to advocate for the rights of victims and to emphasise their importance in the pursuit of justice.
- **Prevention of crimes:** Through collective efforts, the day encourages initiatives and actions aimed at preventing crimes that threaten global peace and security.
- **Unity for Justice:** It symbolises the promotion of unity, international cooperation and collaboration among nations and individuals in the pursuit of justice.

4. Nelson Mandela International Day - 18 July (July 16, 2023)

Nelson Mandela Day is observed on 18 July each year to honour Nelson Mandela, a prominent anti-apartheid activist of South Africa and the country's first democratically elected president.

An Overview of the News

- The theme for Nelson Mandela International Day 2023 is "**Climate, Food and Solidarity**".
- This year the focus is on taking action against climate change and creating a food-friendly environment in solidarity with communities around the world affected by climate crises.
- The call to action for 2023 is "**It's in Your Hands,**" encouraging individuals and organizations to actively participate in addressing climate change and supporting vulnerable communities.

History of Nelson Mandela International Day

- In **2009, the United Nations declared 18 July** as Nelson Mandela Day to recognize his significant contributions and celebrate his achievements.
- Mandela played an important role in ending the apartheid system in South Africa and promoting multiracial democracy.
- The first celebration of Nelson Mandela Day took place on **18 July 2010, Mandela's 92nd birthday.**

5. International Malala Day - 12 July (July 12, 2023)

International Malala Day is observed every year on July 12 to honour Malala Yousafzai, a Pakistani advocate for girls' education and the youngest Nobel laureate.

An Overview of the News

- It serves as a worldwide awareness day, emphasising the need for girls to fight for their right to education.

World Malala Day 2023 Theme:

- The theme for World Malala Day 2023 is inspired by the book "**I Am Malala**", which focuses on the influence of celebrities as heroes and role models for social progress.
- The theme highlights Malala's courage in facing hatred and fighting for her beliefs.

Achievements and Recognition:

- Malala's efforts attracted global attention, leading to her being recognized by Time magazine in 2013 as one of the most influential people in the world.
- In 2014, she was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize and became the youngest recipient ever.
- Malala has also received the United Nations Human Rights Award and the Liberty Medal.

History:

- Malala Yousafzai was born on 12 July 1997 in Mingora, Pakistan.
- In 2007, the Taliban imposed a ban on girls attending school in her town.
- Despite the ban, Malala spoke to B.B.C. Started writing for Urdu in 2009, advocating for girls' education.
- On 9 October 2012, Taliban gunmen targeted Malala and shot her in the head.
- Malala survived the attack and delivered an impressive speech addressing the United Nations on her 16th birthday.

6. World Population Day - 11 July (July 11, 2023)

World Population Day - 11 July

The annual celebration known as World Population Day is observed on 11 July every year.

An Overview of the News

- It serves as a platform to raise awareness about global population-related concerns.

Theme of World Population Day 2023

- Its theme is "**Unleashing the Power of Gender Equality: Elevating the Voices of Women and Girls to Unlock the Infinite Potential of Our World.**"
- The theme underlines the importance of gender equality in harnessing the full potential of women and girls and the immense opportunities they present for our global society.

History of World Population Day

- It was **established in 1989 by the Governing Council of the United Nations Development Programme.**

- Its primary goal is **to highlight the critical nature and importance of population issues.**
- In December 1990, the United Nations General Assembly passed a resolution to continue World Population Day.
 - It aims **to promote the understanding of population matters and their interrelationships with environment and development.**
 - The first World Population Day was observed on **11 July 1990**, in which more than 90 countries participated.

7. National Fish Farmers Day: 10 July (July 11, 2023)

National-Fish-Farmers-Day-10-July

National Fish Farmers Day is celebrated every year on **10th July** to honour and support the work of fish farmers, fishermen and other stakeholders associated with fisheries in India.

An Overview of the news:

- In the year 2023, the 23rd National Fish Farmers Day is being celebrated across the country.
- On July 10, 1957, for the first time, **Dr. Hiralal Chowdhary and Dr. Alikunhi** were successful in extracting carp pituitary hormones in successful induced breeding of major carps at **Angul, Odisha.**
- It was on the same day that the two scientists demonstrated **Hypophysation**, a technique to induce reproduction in Indian Major Carps.
- Every year on July 10, Fish Farmers Day is celebrated in the country to mark this contribution of scientists.

Beginning of National Fish Farmers Day:

- July 10, 2001 was designated as National Fisheries Day by the Government of India.
- After this, in 2001, the Indian Council of Agricultural Research organized the country's first National Fish Farmer's Day function. Along with this, the leading institute in the field of fisheries education - Central Institute of Fisheries Education also joined.
- The day aims to raise awareness of the need to change the way the country manages its fisheries resources to ensure sustainable fisheries stocks and robust ecosystems.

Organization of National Fish Farmers Day 2023:

- An exhibition of 30 extraordinary startups from across the country will be organized to showcase the best of the fisheries innovators in the country at the National Fish Farmers Day 2023 celebration event at **Mahabalipuram** on July 10, 2023.

Important facts related to fishing industry:

- According to the statistics of the National Fisheries Development Board, the export revenue of Rs 334.41 billion has been received from the fisheries industry alone.
- The fisheries industry contributes 7% to India's gross domestic product (GDP).
- India is the second major aquaculture working country in the world.

- India is the third largest producer of fish in the world.
- Gujarat ranks first in the production of marine fish in the country.

8. Dharma Chakra Day - 3rd July (July 5, 2023)

During the Dharma Chakra Pravartan Divas celebrations (3rd July), the President of India emphasized the significance of Buddha's teachings and urged the youth to find inspiration in them.

An overview of the news

- The President highlighted the importance of embracing Sheel (morality), Sadhachar (good conduct), and Pragya (wisdom) to empower the younger generation and make a positive contribution to society.
- Additionally, the contract for the construction of the India International Centre for Buddhist Culture and Heritage in Lumbini, Nepal, was successfully awarded.

What is Dharma Chakra?

- The dharma chakra, also known as the wheel of dharma, holds significant symbolism in various Indian religions, including Hinduism, Jainism, and notably, Buddhism.
- Within Buddhism, the dharma chakra symbolizes the Buddha's teachings and the universal moral order known as Dharma.

About Dharma Chakra Day

- Dharma Chakra Day is celebrated to commemorate Buddha's first teaching after attaining enlightenment.
- It is observed on the full moon day of Asadha in the Indian sun calendar. It is also observed as Guru Purnima.
- **Organized by** - Ministry of Culture in partnership with the International Buddhist Confederation (IBC)
- **Significance** - Second most sacred day for Buddhists after Buddha Poornima (Vesak)
- The day marks the beginning of the Rainy Season retreat for monks and nuns.
- **Other Names - Asadha Poornima (India); Esala Poya (Sri Lanka); Asanha Bucha (Thailand)**
- **Guru Purnima** - Falls on a full-moon day in the Hindu month of Ashadh. Dedicated to Maharshi Veda Vyasa, editor of the Vedas and creator of Hindu scriptures.

9. International Day of Cooperatives - 1st July (July 4, 2023)

International-Day-of-Cooperatives---1st-July

International Day of Cooperatives is observed annually on 1 st July.

An Overview of the News

- The purpose of International Day of Cooperatives is **to acknowledge the contribution of cooperatives in solving major international issues as recognized by the United Nations.**
- The designated theme for International Day of Cooperatives 2023 is "**Cooperatives for Sustainable Development**".
- Director of the International Labor Organization - **Gilbert F. hongbo**

History of International Day of Cooperatives

- **In 1923, the International Cooperative Alliance (ICA) established the first International Cooperative Day.**
- The day was initially celebrated on the **first Saturday of July every year.**
- The aim was to **commemorate the values and principles of cooperation.**
- **Since 1995, it has been celebrated every year on 1st July.**
- The day serves as an opportunity **to raise awareness about the cooperative model.**
- It highlights the **values of self-help, democratic decision making and mutual cooperation.**

10. World Sports Journalists Day - 2 July (July 3, 2023)

World Sports Journalists Day is celebrated across the world on 2 July every year.

An Overview of the News

- The day honours the achievements of sports media professionals and inspires them to put in more efforts to spread knowledge about sports among the general public.
- Many news companies organize special events to honor sports journalists on this special day.
- It aims **to recognize the efforts of individuals involved in sports journalism.**

History of World Sports Journalists Day

- It was **established in 1994** by the **International Sports Press Association (AIPS)** on 2 July to mark the establishment of AIPS as an organization on the occasion of the **Summer Olympics in Paris.**
- Since its inception, the day is dedicated to recognizing the contributions and achievements of countless sports media professionals.
- It serves as a platform to honour his outstanding work in the field of sports journalism.

- World Sports Journalists Day assumes great significance as it provides an opportunity to
- acknowledge and appreciate the invaluable contribution made by sports media professionals.
 - These individuals play a vital role in reporting and analyzing **sporting events, sharing the stories of athletes, and engaging audiences around the world.**