

# BASIC GENERAL KNOWLEDGE

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## Largest – World

Largest continent .....	Asia	Largest palace .....	Imperial Palace, Beijing
Largest ocean .....	Pacific	Largest dam .....	Three Gorges (China)
Largest river .....	Amazon	Largest landmass .....	The Eurasian Landmass
Largest river basin .....	Amazon	Largest park ..	Wood Buffalo National Park (Canada)
Largest lake (salt water) .....	Caspian sea	Largest zoo .....	Krugal National Park (South Africa)
Largest lake (fresh water) .....	Lake Superior (North America)	Largest river island .....	Majuli (Assam)
Largest artificial lake .....	Lake Mead at Hoover Dam, (USA). Originally known as Boulder.	Largest inland sea .....	Mediterranean sea
Largest bay .....	Hudson Bay (North Canada)	Largest canal .....	Keil Canal in Germany
Largest gulf .....	Gulf of Mexico	Largest reef .....	Great Barrier Reef, (Australia)
Largest gorge .....	Grand Canyon (USA)	Largest city (population) .....	Tokyo (Japan)
Largest sea .....	South China sea	Largest estuary .....	Ob (Russia)
Largest delta .....	Sundarbans (India & Bangladesh)	Largest cave .....	Mammoth Cave, Kentucky (USA)
Largest peninsula .....	Arabia	Largest strait .....	Tartar strait
Largest island .....	Greenland	Largest wall .....	The Great Wall (China)
Largest country (in area) .....	Russia	Largest cemetery .....	Leningrad (Russia)
Largest country (in population) .....	China	Largest railway station .....	Grand Central Terminal (New York)
Largest temple` .....	Angkorwat (Cambodia)	Largest university building .....	University of Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)
Largest archipelago .....	Indonesia	Largest open university .....	Indira Gandhi National Open University (New Delhi)
Largest airport ...	King Khalid International Airport at Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)	Largest steel plant .....	Nippon Steel plant (Japan)
Largest church .....	St.Peter's Basilica, (Rome)	Largest wingspan .....	Albatross
Largest mosque .....	Sha Faisal Mosque (Islamabad)	Largest active volcano .....	Mauna lao on Hawaii
Largest embassy .....	Russian Embassy (Beijing)	Largest planet .....	Jupiter
Largest war plane .....	Mirage (France)	Largest bird .....	Ostrich
Largest prison .....	Kharkov (Russia)	Largest sea bird .....	Albatross
Largest hotel .....	MGM Grand Hotel and Casino, Las Vegas (USA)	Largest diamond .....	The Cullinan
Largest desert .....	Sahara (Africa)	Largest parliament .	The National People's Congress of the People's Republic of China
Largest forest .....	Coniferous Forests of Northern Russia	Largest north to south stretch of land .....	America
Largest stadium .....	Strahove (Czech Republic)	Largest cold desert .....	Gobi (Mongolia)
Largest library ....	United States Library of Congress	Largest plateau .....	Pamir (Tibet)
Largest museum .....	American Museum of Natural History (New York)	Largest mountain range .....	The Himalaya
Largest animal .....	Blue whale	Largest statue .....	Statue of liberty
Largest land animal .....	The African Bush Elephant	Largest bank .....	World bank (Washington)
Largest democracy .....	India		
Largest electorate .....	India		
Largest town .....	Mt. Isa (Queensland)		

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Mammoth Cave is the longest cave system known in the world. It is situated in USA. It became a World Heritage Site on October 27, 1981, and an international Biosphere Reserve on September 26, 1990. It is centered around the Green River, with a tributary, the Nolin River, feeding into the Green just inside the park.

- Largest army ..... China
- Largest cricket stadium ..... Melbourne (Australia)
- Largest navy ..... USA
- Largest airforce ..... USA
- Largest natural satellite ..... Ganymede (Jupiter)
- Largest port ..... New Jersey
- Largest book publishing company .....  
Mc Graw Hill (New York)
- Largest Dome in the World... Astrodome, in Houston  
(U.S.A)
- Largest Epic ..... Mahabharat
- Largest carnivorous mammal ..... Polar Bear

### SMALLEST – World

- Smallest continent ..... Australia
- Smallest ocean ..... Arctic
- Smallest republic ..... Nauru
- Smallest colony ..... Gibraltar
- Smallest state ..... Vatican
- Smallest landmass ..... The Australian Mainland
- Smallest bird ..... Humming bird
- Smallest flowering plant ..... Wolfia
- Smallest planet ..... Mercury
- World's Smallest Museum ..... Arizona, US
- World's Smallest PC ..... Space Cube

### Abu Dhabi's leaning Tower

The 160 metre Capital Gate Tower, developed by the Abu Dhabi National Exhibition Company has been recognized as the 'furthest leaning 'man made tower' in the world by Guinness world records. The tower leans at 18 degrees over four times the angle of Italy's famous Leaning Tower of Pisa.



### HIGHEST – World

- Highest mountain peak - Mt. Everest (Nepal)
- Highest mountain - Himalaya
- Highest lake - Titicaca (Bolivia)
- Highest plateau - Tibet
- Highest continent - Antarctica
- Highest waterfall - Angel Falls, (Venezuela)
- Highest active volcano - Guayathiri (Chile)
- Highest capital city - La Paz (Bolivia)
- Highest town - Wenchuan (Tibet)
- Highest volcano - Cotopaxy (Ecuador)
- Highest airport - Lhasa Airport (Tibet)
- Highest railway station - Condor Station (Bolivia)
- Highest river bridge - Royal Gorge (Colorado)
- Highest road bridge - Bailey bridge built by the  
Indian Army at  
Khardungla (Ladakh)
- Highest railway - Qinghai - Tibet (5072m)
- Highest Bridge - Milau (France) 2.46 km

### LONGEST – World

- Longest river - Nile (Egypt)
- Longest road - Pan American Highway
- Longest railway platform - Kharagpur, (West Bengal)
- Longest dam - Hirakud (Orissa)
- Longest mountain range - Andes (South America)
- Longest railway tunnel - Seikan Rail Tunnel (Japan)
- Longest railway line - Trans-Siberian Railway (Russia)
- Longest ship canal - Suez Canal
- Longest estuary - Obestuary (Russia)
- Longest road tunnel - St. Gothard Road Tunnel (Switzerland)
- Longest bridge - Second Lake Pontchartrain Causeway

Reliant Astrodome is the world's first domed sports stadium, located in Houston, Texas, USA.

It opened in 1965 as Harris County Domed Stadium and was nicknamed the "Eighth Wonder of the World".

Longest fresh water lake	- Lake Tanganyika
Longest epic	- Mahabharatha
Longest wall	- Great Wall of China
Longest non-stop train	- Flying Scotsman
Longest drought	- Atacama Desert (North Chile)
Longest snake	- Python
Longest dictionary	- Oxford English Dictionary
Longest Airport	- Dallas (USA)
Longest Railway Bridge	- Lower Zambezi (Africa)
Longest Throughfare	- Broadway (New York)
Longest Shipping Canal	- Baltic White Sea Canal
Longest day	- June 21
Longest Beach	- Rio de Janerio (Brazil)
Longest Corridor	- Rameswaram Temple (India)
Longest Railway Line	- Trans - Siberian Railway
Longest Swimming Canal	- English Canal

### TALLEST – World

Tallest fountain	..... Fountain Hills, Arizona
Tallest free standing structure (tower)	.... CN Tower, Toronto (Canada)
Tallest active geyser	..... Steam boat Geyser Yellowstone National Park, (USA)
Tallest building	..... Burj Khalifa in Dubai.
Tallest tree	..... The Redwood Tree
Tallest animal	..... Giraffe
Tallest road	.... Khardungla Pass (Leh Manali, India)
Tallest office building	..... Petronas Twin Tower (Kualalumpur, Malaysia)
Tallest bridge	..... Royal Gorge Arkansas, America)
Tallest Statue	..... Statue of Motherland (USSR)
Tallest Minaret	..... Sultan Hassan Mosque (Egypt)
Tallest Railwayline	..... Quin - Hai - Tibet (China)

### BIGGEST –World

Biggest dome	..... Gol Gumbaz (India)
Gol Gumbaz is the mausoleum of Mohammed Adil Shah (1627-55) of the Adil Shahi dynasty who ruled the Sultanate of Bijapur from 1490 to 1686.	
Biggest library	..... National Kie Library (CIS)
Biggest palace	..... Vatican (Italy)
Biggest desert	..... Sahara (Africa)

Biggest reptile	..... Saltwater Crocodile
Biggest lizard	..... Komodo Dragons
Biggest bird	..... African Ostrich
Biggest eggs	..... Ostrich Eggs
Biggest flower	..... Rafflesia.

The Ostrich, *Struthio camelus*, is a large flightless bird native to Africa. The Ostrich is the largest living species of bird

Biggest planet	..... Jupiter
Biggest passenger ship	..... Queen Elizebeth II
Biggest diamond mine	..... Kimberley (South Africa)
Biggest car manufacturer	..... General Motors (Detroit, America)
Irrigation scheme	..... Llyod barrage (Pakistan)
Island	..... Greenland (Renamed Kalaallit Nunnat)
Water fall	..... Guaira (Brazil)
Hotel	..... Conrad Hilton
Biggest Park	..... Yellow stone National Park
Biggest Auditorium	..... Municipal Auditorium at Atlantic City
Biggest football stadium	..... Marakana (Brazil)

### DEEPEST – World

Deepest ocean	..... Pacific Ocean
Deepest lake	..... Lake Baikal, (Siberia)
Deepest gorge	..... Hell's Canyon, (USA)
Deepest point in the ocean	..... Challenger deep of Mariana Trench in Pacific Ocean

### MISCELLANEOUS – World

Fastest land animal	..... Cheetah
Oldest national flag	..... Denmark
Fastest bird	..... Swift
Shortest river	..... Roe river in Montana (61 m long)
Lowest point on earth	..... Dead Sea
Most densely populated province	..... Monacco
Least populous city	..... Vatican
The oldest plant	..... Rose
The oldest capital city	..... Damascus
Most poisonous fish	..... Puffer fish
Coldest place	..... Vostok, (Antarctica)
Hottest planet	..... Venus
Strongest natural fibre	..... Silk
Lowest temperature	..... Absolute Zero (-273°C)
Widest Bridge	..... Sydney Harbour Bridge
Busiest airport	Chicago O'Hare International Airport

Island continents .....	Antarctica and Australia	Slowest animal .....	Snail
Lowest mountains .....	Bheinna Bhaile	Heaviest Rainfall .....	Mawsynram (India)
Hottest region ....	North-West Sahara, Azisia (Libya)	Driest place .....	Death valley (California)
Fastest planet .....	Mercury	Hottest place .....	Azisia (Libya)
Coldest planet .....	Neptune	Furthest planet (from the sun) .....	Neptune
Widest Waterfall .....	Khone Falls	Shortest day .....	December 22
Oldest Religion .....	Hinduism		

## FIRST in World

- ▶ The first persons to reach Mount Everest – Sherpa Tenzing, Edmund Hillary
- ▶ The first person to reach North Pole – Robert Peary
- ▶ The first person to reach South Pole – Amundsen
- ▶ The first religion of the world – Hinduism
- ▶ The first country to print book – China
- ▶ The first country to issue paper currency – China
- ▶ The first country to commence competitive examination in civil services – China
- ▶ The first President of the U.S.A – George Washington
- ▶ The first Prime Minister of Britain – Robert Walpole
- ▶ The first Governor General of the United Nations – Trigveli (Norway)
- ▶ The first country to prepare a constitution – U.S.A
- ▶ The first Governor General of Pakistan – Mohd. Ali Jinnah
- ▶ The first country to host NAM summit – Belgrade (Yugoslavia)
- ▶ The first European to attack India – Alexander, The Great
- ▶ The first European to reach China – Marco Polo
- ▶ The first person to fly aeroplane – Wright Brothers
- ▶ The first person to sail round the world – Magellan
- ▶ The first country to send man to the moon – U.S.A
- ▶ The first country to launch Artificial satellite in the space – Russia
- ▶ The first country to host the modern Olympics – Greece
- ▶ First human in space - Yuri Gagarin (Russia)
- ▶ The first city on which the atom bomb was dropped – Hiroshima (Japan)
- ▶ The first person to land on the moon Neil Armstrong followed by – Edwin E. Aldrin
- ▶ The first shuttle to go in space – Columbia
- ▶ The first spacecraft to reach on Mars – Viking-I
- ▶ The first woman Prime Minister of England – Margaret Thatcher
- ▶ The first Muslim Prime Minister of a country – Benazir Bhutto (Pakistan)
- ▶ The first woman to climb Mount Everest – Mrs. Junko Tabei (Japan)
- ▶ The first woman cosmonaut of the world – Valentina Tereshkova (Russia)
- ▶ The first woman President of the U.N. General Assembly – Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit
- ▶ The first batsman to score three test century in three successive tests on debut – Mohd. Azharuddin
- ▶ The first man to have climbed Mount Everest twice – Nawang Gombu

- ▶ The first U.S. President to resign Presidency  
– Richard Nixon
- ▶ Chinese Traveller to India – Fahein
- ▶ Foreign Invader to India – Alexander the Great
- ▶ Person in Space – Yuri Gagarin
- ▶ Person on Moon – Neil Armstrong
- ▶ The first woman to climb Mount Everest – Junko Taibei
- ▶ The first European to visit China – Marco Polo
- ▶ Man to walk in Space – Alexei Leonov
- ▶ The first woman Prime Minister of a country  
– Mrs. Srimavo Bhandarnaike
- ▶ The first woman President of a country  
– Maria Estela Peron
- ▶ The first woman to Command a Space Mission  
Colonel  
– Eileen Collins (U.S.A.)
- ▶ First talkie movie in the world – “The jazz Singer” (1927).
- ▶ The first residents of International Space station  
– Bill Shepherd (USA), Yuri Gidzanko and Sergei Krikalev (Russia)
- ▶ The first blind man to scale Mt. Everest  
– Erik Weihenmayer (USA, May 25, 2001)
- ▶ The first Muslim woman to become the Secretary General of Amnesty International  
– Irine Zubeida Khan
- ▶ The first space astronaut to go into space seven times till date  
– Jerry Ross (U.S.A.)
- ▶ The first South African to become the second space tourist  
– Mark Shuttleworth
- ▶ The first woman Prime Minister of South Korea  
– Ms. Chang Sang
- ▶ The first youngest grandmaster of the world in chess  
– Sergey Karjakin (Ukraine)
- ▶ The first adventurer flying successfully across the English Channel without aircraft  
– Felix Baumgartner (July 2003)
- ▶ China's first man in space  
– Yang Liwei
- ▶ The first Muslim woman to receive Nobel Prize  
– Shirin Ebadi (Nobel Peace Prize 2003)
- ▶ The woman with the highest individual Test score making a new world record  
– Kiran Baloch (Pakistani cricketer, scoring 242 runs playing women's cricket test against West Indies in Karachi in March, 2004)
- ▶ The first woman of the world to climb Mt. Everest four times  
– Lakpa Sherpa (Nepali)
- ▶ The first woman to cross seven important seas of the world by swimming  
– Bula Chaudhury (India)
- ▶ First Asian city to host Olympics  
– Tokyo, Japan (1964)
- ▶ First woman black tennis player to win a singles title at Wimbledon  
– A Gibson (1957)
- ▶ First woman to win a Grand Slam  
– Maureen Catherine (1953)
- ▶ First woman to win an Olympic Gold Medal  
– Charlotte Cooper, UK, Tennis singles (1900)
- ▶ First professional woman bullfighter  
– Patricia McCormick (1952)
- ▶ First man to fly solo non stop across the Atlantic  
– Charles Lindbergh (1927)
- ▶ First person to cross Antarctic Circle  
– James Cook (1773)
- ▶ First people to reach the North Pole  
– Lt Col. Joseph O. Fletcher and Lt. William P. Benedict (1952)
- ▶ First person to conquer the Everest twice  
– Nawang Gombu Sherpa (1965)
- ▶ First person with only one arm to climb the Everest  
– American Gary Guller (2003)
- ▶ First woman to fly solo around the world  
– Jerrie Fredritz Mock (1964)
- ▶ First woman to fly solo across the English Channel  
– Harriet Quimby

- ▶ First ascent of Everest without bottled oxygen
  - Peter Habeler (Austria) and Reinhold Messner, (Italy) (1978)
- ▶ First woman to set foot on North Pole
  - Ann Bancroft, USA (1986)
  - Jointly developed by Sony and Philips (1978)
- ▶ First Atom Bomb
  - “Little Boy” dropped over Hiroshima by the US during the second world war (1945)
- ▶ First manned space vehicle
  - Vostok 1, USSR (1961)
- ▶ First human to walk on the Moon
  - Neil Armstrong, Apollo 11 (1969)
- ▶ First human to walk in space
  - Alexei Arkhovich Leonov (1965)

### GEOGRAPHICAL DISCOVERIES

DISCOVERER	DISCOVERY
Christopher Columbus (Italian)	America
Vasco da Gama (Portuguese)	Sea route to India
John Cabot (British)	New foundland
Pedro Alvarez Cabral (Portuguese)	Brazil
Tasman (Dutch)	Island of Tasmania & New Zealand
Captian Cook (British)	Sandwich (Hawaiiin) Islands
Robert Peary (USA)	North Pole
Amundsun (Norway)	South Pole
Ferdinand de Lesseps (Designed)	Suez Canal
David Livingstone (British)	Victoria Falls
Bartholomew Diaz (Portuguese)	Cape of Good Hope
Norseman Eric	Greenland
Leif Ericsson	North America
Mungo park	Nigeria river in Africa
Richard Francis Burton	Lake Tanganyika
Henry Hudson	Hudson Bay
Gobot Sebastian	New Foundland
Marco Polo	China
Kepler	Planets

### RIVERSIDE CITIES & COUNTRIES

City	River	Country
▶ Alexandria	Nile	Egypt
▶ Brussels	Seine	Belgium
▶ Chittagong	Karnaphuli	Bangladesh
▶ Glasgow	Clyde	Scotland
▶ Khartoum	Nile	Sudan
▶ Lisbon	Tagus	Portugal
▶ Liverpool	Mersey	England
▶ Shanghai	Yangtze-Kiang	China
▶ Berlin	Spree	Germany
▶ Bonn	Rhine	Germany
▶ Amsterdam	Amsel	Netherlands
▶ Baghdad	Tigris	Iraq
▶ Bangkok	Menam	Thailand
▶ Belgrade	Danube	Serbia
▶ London	Thames	England
▶ Montreal	Ottawa	Canada
▶ Moscow	Moskva	Russia
▶ Budapest	Danube	Hungary
▶ Colombo	Kaliganga	Sri Lanka
▶ Cairo	Nile	Egypt
▶ Karachi	Indus	Pakistan
▶ Lahore	Ravi	Pakistan
▶ New York	Hudson	USA
▶ Paris	Seine	France
▶ Yangoon	Irawadi	Myanmar
▶ Rome	Tiber	Italy
▶ Tokyo	Sumida	Japan
▶ Vienna	Danube	Austria
▶ Warsaw	Vistula	Poland
▶ Washington	Potamac	U.S.A.
▶ Basra	Eupharates and Tigris	Iraq
▶ Bristol	Avon	England
▶ Cologne	Rhine	Germany
▶ Dublin	Liphi	Ireland
▶ Hamburg	Elbe	Germany
▶ Philadelphia	Delawara	America
▶ Prague	Vitava	Czechoslovakia
▶ Quebec	St. Lawrence	Canada
▶ Stalingrad	Volga	Russia

## NATIONAL EMBLEMS

EMBLEM .....	COUNTRY
Kangaroo .....	Australia
Water Lilly .....	Bangladesh
White Lilly .....	Canada, Italy
Beach .....	Denmark
Lily .....	France
Corn Flower .....	Germany
Lioned Capital .....	India
Lion .....	Sri Lanka, Sierra Leone
Rose .....	UK, Iran
Shamrock .....	Ireland
White Lilly .....	Italy
Chrysanthemum .....	Japan
Kiwi .....	New Zealand
Crescent .....	Pakistan
Eagle .....	Spain
Elephant .....	Ivory Coast
Lion with Crown .....	Luxembourg
Golden Rod .....	U.S.A
Secretary Bird .....	Sudan
Bauhinia (orchid tree) .....	Hong Kong
Baobab tree .....	Senegal
Lion .....	Netherland, Norway, Belgium
Crescent and Star .....	Turkey
Cedar tree .....	Lebanon
The Soyombo .....	Mongolia

## SOBRIQUETS

### World

<b>Britain of the East</b>	: Japan
<b>Britain of the South</b>	: New Zealand
<b>Battle field of Europe</b>	: Belgium
<b>City of Cycles</b>	: Beijing
<b>City of Dreaming Spires</b>	: Oxford
<b>City of Eternal Springs</b>	: Quito (Ecuador)
<b>City of Sky Scrappers</b>	: New York
<b>City of Magnificent Distances</b>	: Washington D.C
<b>City of Golden Gate</b>	: San Francisco (U.S.A)
<b>City of Seven Hills</b>	: Rome (Italy)
<b>Cockpit of Europe</b>	: Belgium
<b>Copper Country</b>	: Zambia
<b>Dark Continent</b>	: Africa
<b>Empire City</b>	: New York (U.S.A)
<b>Emerald Island</b>	: Ireland

<b>Eternal City</b>	: Rome, Italy
<b>Forbidden City</b>	: Lhasa, Tibet
<b>Gateway of Tears</b>	: Strait of Bab-el Mandeb
<b>Garden of England</b>	: Kent
<b>George Cross Island</b>	: Malta
<b>Granite City</b>	: Aberdeen (Scotland)
<b>Herring Pond</b>	: Atlantic Ocean
<b>Hill Queen</b>	: Shimla
<b>Holy Land</b>	: Palestine
<b>Hermit Kingdom</b>	: Korea
<b>Island of Pearls</b>	: Bahrain
<b>Island of Cloves</b>	: Madagascar
<b>Key to the Mediterranean</b>	: Gibraltar
<b>Land of Eagles</b>	: Albania
<b>Land of Golden Fleece</b>	: Australia
<b>Land of Kangaroo</b>	: Australia
<b>Land of Lilies</b>	: Canada
<b>Land of Golden Pagoda</b>	: Myanmar
<b>Land of Maple</b>	: Canada
<b>Land of Thousand Lakes</b>	: Finland
<b>Land of Morning Calm</b>	: Korea
<b>Land of Rising Sun</b>	: Japan
<b>Land of Setting Sun</b>	: Britain
<b>Land of Midnight Sun</b>	: Norway
<b>Land of Lakes</b>	: Scotland
<b>Land of the Tulips</b>	: Netherlands
<b>Land of White Elephant</b>	: Thailand
<b>Land of Thunder Bolt</b>	: Bhutan
<b>Land of Thousand Elephants</b>	: Laos
<b>Manchester of the Orient</b>	: Osaka
<b>Never, Never Land</b>	: Prairies, N. Australia
<b>Land of Thunder Dragon</b>	: China
<b>Nation of Thousand Hills</b>	: Rwanda
<b>Pearl of Arabia</b>	: Bahrain
<b>Pearl of Antilles</b>	: Cuba
<b>Pillars of Hercules</b>	: Strait of Gibraltar
<b>Playground of Europe</b>	: Switzerland
<b>Quaker City of USA</b>	: Philadelphia, USA
<b>Queen of the Adriatic</b>	: Venice, Italy
<b>Roof of the World</b>	: Pamirs
<b>Sorrow of China</b>	: River Huang Ho
<b>Sickman of Europe</b>	: Turkey

<b>Sugar Bowl of World</b>	:	Cuba
<b>Venice of the North</b>	:	Stockholm, Sweden
<b>White City</b>	:	Belgrade
<b>Windy City</b>	:	Chicago
<b>World's Bread Basket</b>	:	Paris of N. America
<b>Island of fire</b>	:	Iceland
<b>Land of windmills</b>	:	Polland
<b>Land of Perpetual Greenary</b>	:	Natal
<b>World Loneliest island</b>	:	Tristanda Cunha

## COUNTRIES AND CURRENCIES

Brazil	:	Cruzeiro Real
Bulgaria	:	Lev
Belgium	:	Euro
China	:	Yuan/Renminbi
Columbia	:	Peso
Cuba	:	Peso
Costa Rica	:	Colon
Croatia	:	Kuna
Cyprus	:	Cyprus pound
Czech Republic	:	Koruna
Denmark	:	Krone
Egypt	:	Egyptian Pound
Afghanistan	:	Afghani
Argentina	:	Peso
Australia	:	Australian Dollar
Bahrain	:	Dinar
Bangladesh	:	Taka
Bhutan	:	Ngultrum
Hungary	:	Forint
Iran	:	Rial
Switzerland	:	Swiss Franc
Thailand	:	Bhat
U.K.	:	Pound Sterling
U.S.A.	:	Dollar
Norway	:	Krone
Vatican City State	:	Lira
Iraq	:	Iraqi Dinar
Israel	:	Shekel
Japan	:	Yen
Kazakhstan	:	Tenge
Korea	:	Won
Kuwait	:	Kuwaiti Dinar
Malaysia	:	Ringgit
Mexico	:	Peso

Myanmar	:	Kyat
Russia	:	Rouble
Saudi Arabia	:	Riyal
Vietnam	:	Dong
Mongolia	:	Tugrik
Algeria	:	Algeria Dinar
Angola	:	New Kwanza
Armenia	:	Dram
Azerbaijan	:	Manat
Austria	:	Schilling
Bahrain	:	Dinar
Georgia	:	Lari
Ghana	:	Cedi
Indonesia	:	Rupiah

16 European Countries with Eura as currency are:  
Austria, Belgium, Cyprus, Finland, France, Germany, Greece, Ireland, Italy, Luxembourg, Malta, the Netherlands, Portugal, Slovakia, Slovenia and Spain.

## COUNTRIES AND THEIR PARLIAMENT

Afganistan	:	Shora
Australia	:	Federal Parliament
Bangladesh	:	Jatiya Sangsad
Bhutan	:	Tshogdu (National Assembly)
Britain	:	Parliament (Commons & Lords)
China	:	National People's Congress
Denmark	:	Folketing
France	:	National Assembly
Hungary	:	National Assembly
Iceland	:	Althing
India	:	Parliament (Lok Sabha & Rajya Sabha)
Iran	:	Majlis
Iraq	:	National Assembly
Israel	:	Knesset
Japan	:	Diet
Kuwait	:	National Assembly
Libya	:	General People's Congress
Maldives	:	Majlis
Myanmar	:	People's Assembly
Nepal	:	National Panchayat
Netherlands	:	States General
Poland	:	Sejm
Russia	:	State Duma



South Africa	: House of Assembly
Sweden	: Riksdag
Switzerland	: Federal Assembly
Germany	: Bundestag
Afganistan	: Shora
Algeria	: National Peoples Assembly
Australia	: House of representative of senate
Cuba	: National Assembly of people power
Egypt	: People's Assembly
Greenland	: Landstraad
Norway	: Sterling
Pakistan	: National Assembly
USA	: Congress
Srilanka	: National State
Sudan	: National Assembly
Syria	: People Council
USA:	Congress
Vietnam	: National Assembly

Burkino Faso	..... Upper Volta
Cape Kennedy	..... Cape Caneveral
Cambodia	..... Kampuchia
Djibouti	..... French Somaliland
Ethiopia	..... Abyssinia
Ghana	..... Gold Coast
Guyana	..... British Guinia
Guinea Bissau	..... Portuguese Gayana.
Harare	..... Salisbury
Hawaiin Islands	..... Sandwich Islands
Indonesia	..... The Dutch East India
Iran	..... Persia
Iraq	..... Mesopotamia
Istanbul	..... Constantinople
Jakarta	..... Batavia
Japan	..... Nippon
Kinshasa	..... Leopoldville
Kiribati	..... Gilbert Island
Laos	..... Lanxang
Lesotho	..... Basitoland
Mexico	..... New Spain
Malawi	..... Nyasaland
Mali	..... French Sudan
Malaysia	..... Malaya
Malabo	..... Santa Isabet
Madhya Pradesh	..... Central Province
Manchuria	..... Manchuko
Myanmar	..... Burma
Mosambique	..... Potuguese East Africa
Mumbai	..... Bombay
Namibia	..... South West Africa
Nauru	..... Pleasant Island
Orissa	..... Kalinga
Papua New Guinea	..... Trust Territory of New Guinea
Portuguese	..... Lucitania
Sri Lanka	..... Ceylon
St. Petersburg	..... Leningrad
Surinam	..... Dutch Gayana
Taiwan	..... Formosa
Tasmani	..... Van Diemen's Land
Thailand	..... Siam
Togo	..... Togoland
Tuvalu	..... The Ellice Islands
Varanasi	..... Banares

## NEW AND OLD NAMES OF PLACES, COUNTRIES

New Name	.....	Old Name
Ankara	.....	Angora
Banjail	.....	Bathurst
Bengalooru	.....	Bangalore
Beijing	.....	Peking
Belize	.....	British Honduras
Bangladesh	.....	East Pakistan
Botswana	.....	Bechuana Land

### National Flowers

Canada	.....	Maple leaf
India	.....	Lotus
Scotland	.....	Thistle
Spain	.....	Pomegranate
Australia	.....	Gold Vatile
China	.....	Narsissas
Russia	.....	Sunflower
Bangladesh	.....	Water Lilly
France	.....	Lilly
Germany	.....	Corn Flower
Ireland	.....	Shamrock
Japan	.....	Chrysanthemum
USA	.....	Golden Rose
UK	.....	Rose

Volgograd ..... Stalingrad  
 Zaire ..... Congo  
 Zambia ..... Northern Rhodesia  
 Zimbabwe..... Rhodesia

## India

### HIGHEST

Highest peak - Mt. K<sub>2</sub> (Godwin Austin)  
 Highest water falls - Jog falls (Karnataka)  
 Highest gate way - Buland Darwaza (Fathepur sikri)  
 Highest literacy among state - Kerala  
 Highest tower - Qutabminar  
 Highest dam - Bhakra Dam (Punjab)  
 Highest multiple arch dam - Idukki (Kerala)

### LARGEST

Largest populated city - Mumbai  
 Largest fresh water lake - Kolleru (Andhra Pradesh)  
 Largest salt water lake - Chilka (Orissa)  
 Largest state - Rajasthan  
 Largest populated state - Uttar Pradesh  
 Largest museum - Indian museum (Kolkata)  
 Largest zoo - Zoological Garden (Kolkata)  
 Largest dome - Gol Gumbaz (Karnataka)  
 Largest mosque - Jama Masjid (New Delhi)  
 Largest desert - Thar (Rajasthan)  
 Largest river Island - Majuli (Brahmaputra)  
 Largest monastery - Tawang monastery (Arunachal Pradesh)  
 Largest cave temple - Ellora (Maharashtra)  
 Largest animal fair - Sonapur fair (Bihar)  
 Largest plateau - Deccan plateau  
 Largest river in South India - Godavari  
 Largest prison - Puzhal Jail (Chennai)  
 Largest planetarium - Birla planetarium (Kolkata)  
 Largest G.P.O - Mumbai G.P.O  
 Largest church - St. Cathedral (Old Goa)  
 Largest cinema theatre - Thangam Theatre

Largest exhibition ground - Pragati Maidan (New Delhi)  
 Largest arch dam - Idukki dam (Kerala)  
 Largest library - National library (Kolkata)  
 Largest aircraft carrier - INS Viraat  
 Largest landing ship - INS Magrar  
 Largest union territory - Andaman Nicobar Islands  
 Largest gurudwara - Golden Temple (Amritsar)  
 Largest residence - Rashtrapati Bhavan  
 Largest river Barrage - Farakka Barrage  
 Largest open university - Indira Gandhi Open University (New Delhi)  
 Largest Ocean Island - Middle Andaman

### LONGEST

Longest Canal - Indira Gandhi canal  
 Longest River - Ganga  
 Longest Tunnel - Kharbude (Konkan Railway)  
 Longest Dam - Hirakud (Orissa)  
 Longest National Highway- N.H. 7  
 Longest Railway platform - Kharagpur (West Bengal)  
 Longest Corridor - Rameswaram Temple corridor  
 Longest Hanging bridge - Howra bridge  
 Longest Train Service - Himasagar express  
 Longest Bridge - Anna Indira (Rameswaram to Mandap)  
 Longest Glacier - Siachen Glacier  
 Longest River bridge - Mahatma Gandhi Sethu

### SMALLEST

Smallest state (Area) - Goa  
 Smallest state (population) - Sikkim  
 Smallest state (forest area) - Haryana  
 Smallest Union Territory - Lakshadweep

### Miscellaneous (India)

Biggest hotel ..... Oberoi - Sheraton (Mumbai)  
 Highest statue ..... Gomateswara Statue

Highest award (civilian) ..... Bharat Ratna  
 Highest Gallantry award ..... Param vir chakra  
 Most literate state ..... Kerala  
 Least literate state ..... Bihar  
 Most densely populated state ..... West Bengal  
 Least densely populated state ... Arunachal Pradesh  
 Most populated city ..... Mumbai  
 Busiest bridge ..... Howra (Calcutta)  
 Oldest Refinery ..... Digboi (Assam)  
 Most literate Union Territory ..... Lakshadweep  
 Fastest Train ..... Shatabdi express  
 Least populated Union Territory ..... Lakshadweep

**Lake City** : Udaipur  
**Switzerland of India** : Kashmir  
**Paradise on Earth** : Kashmir  
**Mini-Switzerland in India** : Khajjar (Himachal Pradesh)

**Sorrow of Bengal** : River Damodar  
**Sorrow of Bihar** : River Kosi  
**Sorrow of Assam** : Brahmaputra  
**Spice Garden of India** : Kerala  
**Sugar Bowl of India** : Uttar Pradesh  
**Tea Garden of India** : Assam  
**Detroit of India** : Pitampur  
**Land of Sunrise in India** : Arunachal Pradesh

## SOBRIQUETS

### India

**All Seasons State** : Himachal Pradesh  
**Blue Mountains** : Nilgiri  
**City of Palaces** : Calcutta  
**City of Golden Temple** : Amritsar  
**Garden City of India** : Bangalore  
**Gateway of India** : Mumbai  
**Granary of India** : Punjab  
**Land of Five Rivers** : Punjab  
**Pearl of the Orient** : Goa  
**Pink City** : Jaipur

**Hi-Tech City** : Hyderabad  
**Manchester of South India** : Coimbatore  
**Manchester of India** : Ahamadabad  
**Mini Switzerland** : Himachal Pradesh  
**City of orange** : Nagpur  
**Weavers city of India** : Panipat  
**Silicon vally of India** : Bangalore  
**Clouds of house** : Megalaya  
**Gods own land of India** : Kerala  
**City of Padala** : Jaipur  
**Holly wood of India** : Mumbai  
**Silent Share** : Hadakh  
**Perly East** : Goa

## PERSONS WITH POPULAR NAMES

### WORLD

Light of the world : Jesus  
 Prince of Pilgrimage : Huien Tsang  
 The Wizard of Menlopark: Edison  
 Rascal monk : Rasputin  
 Good Shepherd : Jesus Christ  
 Apostle of Free Trade : Richard Cobden  
 King of Rock & Roll : Elvis Presley  
 Columbus of Space : Neil Armstrong  
 Master of Suspense : Alfred Hitchcock  
 Second Duke : Benitto Mussolini  
 Iron Duke : Duke of Wellington

Poet's Poet : Edmund Spenser  
 Desert Fox : Erwin Rommel  
 Lady with the Lamp : Florence Nightingale  
 GBS : George Bernard Shaw  
 Little Corporal : Napoleon Bonaparte  
 Maid of Orleans : Joan of Arc  
 Fuhrer (also Fuehrer) : Adolf Hitler  
 Man of Blood and Iron : Otto von Bismarck  
 Maiden Queen : Queen Elizabeth I  
 Bard of Avon : William Shakespeare  
 Grand Old Man of Britain : Gladstone  
 American Gandhi : Martin Luther King

The Daughter of East : Benazir Bhutto  
Iron Butterfly : Margaret Thatcher  
Iron Lady : Margaret Thatcher  
African Gandhi : Dr. Kenneth Kaunda

## INDIA

Prince of Beggars : Madan Mohan Malaviya  
Bengali Tiger : Bipin Chandra Pal  
Maratha Kesari : Bal Gangadhar Tilak  
Punjab Lion : Lala Lajpat Rai  
Sage of Sabarmati : Mahatma Gandhi  
Indian Machiavelli : Chanakya  
Indian Napoleon : Samudragupta  
Leopard of the Snow : Ang Rita  
Indian Bismarck : Sardar Vallabhai Patel  
Light of Asia : Buddha  
Lokmanya : Bal Gangadhar Tilak  
Loknayak : Jayaprakash Narayan  
J.P. : Jayaprakash Narayan  
C.R. : C. Rajagopalachari  
Rajaji : C. Rajagopalachari  
Deenabandhu : C.F. Andrews  
Deshabandhu : C.R. Das  
Grand Old Man of India : Dadabhai Naoroji  
Mahamana : Madan Mohan Malaviya  
Mahatma : Gandhiji  
Bapu : Gandhiji  
Gurudev : Rabindranath Tagore  
Guruji : Golwalkar  
Iron Lady of India : Indira Gandhi  
Priyadarshini : Indira Gandhi  
Barefooted painter : M.F. Hussain  
Kipper : K.M. Cariappa  
Indian Shakespeare : Kalidasa  
Badshah Khan : Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan  
Frontier Gandhi : Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan  
Faker-e-Afghan : Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan  
Netaji : Subash Chandra Bose  
Prince of Patriots : Subash Chandra Bose  
Birdman of India : Salim Ali  
Nightingale of India : Sarojini Naidu  
Lion of Kashmir : Sheikh Mohammed  
T.T.K. : T.T. Krishnamachari  
Andhra Kesari : Tangutri Prakasam  
Grand Old Man of Indian-  
Journalism : Tushar Kanti Ghosh

Acharya : Vinobha Bhave  
Sage of Paunar : Vinobha Bhave  
Man of Peace : Lal Bahadur Shastri  
Babuji : Jagjeevan Ram  
Little Master : Sunil Gavaskar  
Flying Sikh : Milkha Singh  
Mysore Tiger : Tippu Sultan  
Sage of Kanchi : Sankaracharya  
Saint of Gutters : Mother Theresa  
Man of the Masses : K. Kamaraj  
Golden Girl of Indian Athletics: P.T. Usha  
Anna : C.N. Annadurai  
Akbar of Kashmir : Zian-ul-Abideen  
Kuvembu : K.V. Puttappa  
Rani of Jhansi : Lakshmi Bai  
Shahid : Bhagat Singh  
Kathal Mannan : Gemini Ganesan  
Nataraj : Sivaji Ganesan  
Chachaji : Jawaharlal Nehru  
Sher-e-Punjab : Ranjit Singh  
Punjab Kesari : Lala Lajpat Rai  
Milkman of India : Varghese Kurian

## KERALA

Bharat Kesari : Mannathu Padmanabhan  
Beyyore Sultan : Vaikam Mohammed Bashir  
Mayyazhi Gandhi : K.P. Kumaran Master  
Kerala Simham : Pazhassi Raja  
Swadeshbhimani : Ramakrishna Pillai  
Pulayaraja : Ayyankali  
Valiya Diwanji : Raja Keshavadas  
Kerala Kalidasa : Kerala Varma Valiya Koyithampuran  
Kerala Panini : A.R. Rajaraja Varma  
Kerala Vyasa : Kodungalloor Kunhikuttan Thampuran  
Kerala Chaucer : Chiramakavi  
Kerala Orphuse : Changampuzha Krishna Pillai  
Kerala Gandhi : K. Kelappan  
Kerala Valmiki : Vallathol Narayana Menon  
Kerala Scott : C.V. Raman Pillai

Kerala Ibsen	: N. Krishna Pillai
Kerala Mauppassant	: Thakazhi Sivasankara Pillai
Kerala Thulasidas	: Vennikulam Gopala Kurup
Kerala Hemmingway	: M.T. Vasudevan Nair
Kesari	: A. Balakrishna Pillai
Deshabhimani	: Ramakrishna Pillai
Sahitya Panchanan	: P.K. Narayana Pillai

## FAMOUS FATHERS

### World

Father of Psychology	..... Sigmund Freud
Father of Cloning	..... Ian Wilmut
Father of Printing	..... Guttenberg
Father of History	..... Herodotus
Father of Economics	..... Adam Smith
Father of Philosophy	..... Socrates
Father of Sociology	..... Augustus Comte
Father of English Poetry	..... Geoffrey Chaucer
Father of Biology	..... Aristotle
Father of Essay	..... Montaigne
Father of Medicine	..... Hippocrates
Father of Homeopathy	..... Samuel Haniman
Father of Socialism	..... Robert Owen
Father of Scientific Socialism	..... Karl Marx
Father of Co-operation	..... Robert Owen
Father of Jurisprudence	..... John Locke
Father of Atom Bomb	..... Otto Hahn
Father of Genetics	..... Gregor Mendel
Father of Motor Car	..... Henry Ford
Father of Reformation	..... Martin Luther
Father of Greek Democracy	..... Clesthenes
Father of Bangladesh	..... Sheikh Mujibur Rehman
Father of Pakistan	..... Muhammed Ali Jinnah
Father of Tanzania	..... Julius Nyrere
Father of Mathematics	..... Pythagorus
Father of Modern Cartoon	..... William Hogarth
Father of Modern Computer	..... Charles Babbage
Father of Nuclear Physics	..... Ernest Rutherford
Father of Modern Drama	..... Henrik J. Ibsen
Father of Modern Tourism	..... Thomas Cook
Father of Painting	..... Leonardo Da Vinci
Father of Green Revolution	..... Norman Borlaug
Father of Renaissance	..... Petrarch

## INDIA

Father of the Nation	..... Mahatma Gandhi
Father of Ayurveda	..... Athreya
Father of Astronomy	..... Varahamihira
Father of Sanskrit Drama	..... Kalidasa
Father of Indian Renaissance	..... Raja Ram Mohan Roy
Father of Surgery	..... Susruta
Father of Indian Unrest	..... Bal Gangadhar Tilak
Father of Indian Budget	..... Professor Mahalanobis
Father of Indian Painting	..... Nandalal Bose
Father of Indian Cinema	..... Dada Saheb Phalke
Father of Indian Engineering	..... M. Visweswariah
Father of Indian Green Revolution	..... Dr.M.S. Swaminathan
Father of Indian Railway	..... Lord Dalhousie
Father of Co-operative Movement in India	..... Frederic Nicholson
Father of Indian Printing	..... James Hickey
Father of Local Self Government in India	..... Lord Ripon

## KERALA

Father of Malayalam Language	..... Ezhuthachan
Father of Modern Travancore	..... Marthanda Varma
Father of Kerala Renaissance	..... Sree Narayana Guru
Father of Modern Hinduism	..... Adi Shankaracharya

## WORLD INSTITUTIONS AND THEIR FOUNDERS

United Nations	: Joseph Stalin (USSR), Winston Churchill (UK) and Franklin Delano Roosevelt (USA)
Red Cross	: Jean-Henri Dunant
Boy Scouts	: Baden Powell
Y.M.C.A.	: Sir George Williams
Kindergarten	: Froebel
Lion's Club	: Melvin John
Salvation Army	: William Booth
Nursing System	: Florence Nightingale
Fascism	: Benito Mussolini
Protestant Religion	: Martin Luther
Nazism	: Adolf Hitler
Montessori System	: Maria Montessori
Cubism	: Pablo Picasso
Amnesty International	: Peter Berenson

## India

Jainism	: Vardhamana Mahavira
Taoism	: Lao Tse
Bahaism	: Mirza Hussain Ali
Confucianism	: Confucius
Sikhism	: Guru Nanak
Zoroastrianism (Parsis)	: Zoraster
Bhoodan Movement	: Vinoba Bhave
Sarvodaya Movement	: Jaya Prakash Narayan
Ramakrishna Mission	: Swami Vivekananda
Arya Samaj	: Dayananda Saraswathi
Brahma Samaj	: Raja Ram Mohan Roy
Dev Samaj	: Siva Narayan Agnihothri
Prarthana Samaj	: Kesab Chandra Sen
Suddhi Movement	: Swami Shradhanand
Chinmaya Mission	: Swami Chinmayananda
Servants of India Society	: Gopalakrishna Gokhale
Indian Association	: Surendranath Banerji
Peoples Education Society	: Dr. B.R. Ambedkar
Vana Mahotsav	: K.M. Munshi
Theosophical Society of India	: Annie Besant

## MANKIND AND VARIOUS TRIBES

Mongolians living in Assam regions	.....	Abhors
The Dutch born in South Africa	.....	Afrikaners
The people of England	.....	Anglo Saxon
Ancient Dravidians living in central India and Rajasthan	.....	Bhils
Dutch settlers in South Africa	.....	Boers
People of Croatia, Slovenia	.....	Croats
People in south east frontiers of Russia ..		Cossacks
Inhabitants of Greenland and of Arctic regions...		Eskimos
Natives of the Philippine Islands	.....	Flemings
Hill tribes of Assam	.....	Khasis / Garos
People of W.Asia. (Turkey, Iran and Iraq) ...		Kurds
Natives of New Zealand	.....	Maoris
Short sized people found in the forests of Africa ....		.. Pygmies
Original inhabitants of North America .		Red Indians
Aborigines of West Bengal, Bihar & Orissa.....		Santhals
Natives of Nilgiri Hills (South India) .....		Todas
People of South Africa living in certain parts of Natal		Zulus
The people of Nagaland	.....	Angami

Arunachal Pradesh	.....	A palamis
Tamil Nadu	.....	Badagas
Uttar Pradesh	.....	Bhotias
Hazaribagh	.....	Birhor
Himachal Pradesh	.....	Gaddis
Orissa	.....	Khonds
Madhya Pradesh	.....	Kol
Manipur	.....	Kuki
Sikkim	.....	Labora
Tripura	.....	Lushais
Bihar	.....	Munda
Kerala	.....	Ooralis
Maharashtra	.....	Warlies

## SIGNS AND SYMBOLS

- ▶ Red crystal flag : Red Cross
- ▶ Black Flag : Protest
- ▶ Yellow flag : Put on ship carrying people with infectious disease
- ▶ Dove : Peace
- ▶ Olive branch : Peace
- ▶ Red Flag : Revolution
- ▶ Red triangle : Family planning
- ▶ White Flag : Peace
- ▶ Maharaja : Air India
- ▶ Lotus : Culture and Civilization
- ▶ Wheel : Progress
- ▶ Red Cross : Hospital / Medical Service
- ▶ Black band arm : Sign of Mourning, in Protest
- ▶ Blind folded woman : Justice holding a Balance Scale
- ▶ Flag at a half most : National Mourning
- ▶ Flag up side down : Distress

## OFFICIAL BOOKS

- ▶ Blue Book : British
- ▶ Green Book : Italy & France
- ▶ Orange Book : Netherlands
- ▶ White Book : Germany & China
- ▶ White Paper : India
- ▶ Gray Book : Japan & Belgium

## INVENTIONS AND DISCOVERIES

Air Brake .....	George Westinghouse	Diesel Oil Engine .....	Rudolf Diesel
Aniline Dyes .....	Hoffman	Discovery of Solar System .....	Copernicus (1540)
Adding Machine .....	Balise Pascal	Discovery of Specific Gravity .....	Archimedes
Aeroplane .....	: Wright Brothers	Electric Battery .....	Volta
Air Conditioner .....	: Carrier	Electric Lamp .....	Edison
Atom Bomb .....	: Otto Hahn	Electricity .....	Faraday
Aspirin .....	: Dreser	Electron Theory .....	Bohr
Alcohol Thermometer .....	: Farenheit	Electrical Waves .....	Heitz
Atomic Thermometer .....	: Bohr	Electric Measurement .....	Gauss
Atomic Theory .....	: Dalton	DDT .....	: Dr. Paul Muller
Atomic Number .....	Mosley	Electron .....	: J.J. Thompson
Atomic Structure .....	Bohr and Rutherford	Electric Lamp .....	: Thomas Alva Edison
Automobile .....	: Daimler	Elevator .....	: Elisha G Otis
Antiseptic Surgery .....	Lord Joseph Lister	Fountain Pen .....	: Waterman
Archimedeian Screw .....	Archimedes	Fahrenheit Scale .....	Fahrenheit
Avogadro's Hypothesis .....	Avogadro	Film & Photographic goods .....	Kodak
Ball Pen .....	: Loud	Glider .....	: George Cayley
Balloon .....	: Montogolfier	Generator .....	: Piciontti
Blood Circulation .....	: Harvey	Gramophone .....	: Thomas Alva Edison
Barometer .....	: Torricelli	Gun Powder .....	: Roger Bacon
Bicycle .....	: Mac Millan	Geometry .....	Euclid
Brailly System .....	: Louis Braille	Hydrogen .....	: Cavendish
Beri - Beri .....	Eijkman	Helicopter .....	Broquett
Blood Circulation .....	Harvey	Helium Gas .....	Lockyer
Boson .....	S.N.Bose	Homoeopathy .....	Hahnemann
Boyle's law .....	Boyle	Hovercraft .....	Cockrell
Braille .....	Louis Braille	Hydrophobia .....	Louis Pasteur
Computer .....	: Charles Babbage	Jet Engine .....	: Sir Frank Whittle
Chloroform .....	: James Young Simpson	Intelligence Tests .....	: Binet
Cinema .....	: Lumiere Brothers	Insulin .....	: F. Banting
Cinema Projector .....	: Thomas Alva Edison	Induction of Electric Current .....	Faraday
Crescograph .....	: J.C. Bose	Incandescent Bulb .....	Edison
Celluloid .....	Parkes	Induction Coil .....	Rohm Korff
Chloroform .....	James Harrison and James Young Simpson	Insulin .....	F.Banting
Cholera Bacillus .....	Robert Koch	Intelligence test .....	Binet
Coloured Photography .....	Lippman	Jet Propulsion .....	Frank Whittle
Cosmic Rays .....	R.A.Millikan	Law of Gravitation .....	: Issac Newton
Cyclotron .....	Lawrence	Law of Heredity .....	: G Mendal
Diesel Engine .....	: Rudolf Diesel	Laser .....	: Theodore Maiman
Dynamo .....	: Michael Faraday	Lightning Conductor .....	: Benjamin Franklin
Dynamite .....	: Alfred Nobel	Logarithm .....	: John Napier
Deuterium (Heavy Water) .....	H.C.Urey	Laughing Gas .....	Priestley
		Life Boat .....	Henry Great Head

Lift (Elevators) .....	Otis	Railway Engine .....	Stephenson
Linotype .....	Mergenthaler	Radio transmitter .....	Alexanderson
Line of demarcation (ship) .....	Plimsoll	Rare Gas .....	Cavandish
Laws of Electrical Resistance .....	Ohm	Replacing human heart .....	Christian Barnard
Law of Electrolysis .....	Faraday	Revolver .....	Colt
Law of gases .....	Gay Lussac	Quantum Theory .....	Max plank
Laws of Gravitation .....	Newton	Refrigerator .....	: James Harrison
Laws of Heredity .....	Gregory Mandel	Safety Lamp .....	Humphry Davy
Laws of Motion .....	Newton	Safety Match .....	Land Strom
Laws of Natural Selections .....	Darwin	Safety Pin .....	William Hunt
Laws of Multiple Proportion .....	Dalton	Safety Razor .....	Gillette
Liquid Oxygen .....	Dewar	Sewing Machine .....	Barthelling Thimonnier
Machine Gun .....	: Dr. Richard Gattling	Short Hand .....	Pitman
Maser .....	: Charles H. Townes	Solar System .....	Copernicus
Microphone .....	: Graham Bell	Steam Engine .....	James Watt
Measurement of Electrical Energy .....	Joule,	Steam Turbine .....	Parsons
	James Prescoft	Spectroscope .....	Bunsen
Meson .....	Hideki Yakawa	Stethoscope .....	Rene Laennee
Microscope .....	Janes	Submarine .....	David Bushnell
Molecular Scattering of light in fluid .	Ramanathan	Seismograph .....	Roberts Mallet
Neon Gas .....	Ramsay, Travers	Sextant .....	Hadley
Neutron .....	Chadwick	Steam boat .....	Fulton
Nuclear Fission .....	Otto Hahn, Bohr and Fermi	Submarine .....	Bushwell
Nylon Plastic .....	Carothers	Talkies .....	Lee-de-Frost
Oxygen .....	: J.B.Prestly	Tank .....	Swinton
Origin of Species .....	Charles Darwin	Telegraphy ..	William F.Cooke & Charles Wheatstone
Parachute .....	: A.J. Garnerian	Telegraph Code .....	Morse
Pencillin .....	: Alexander Fleming	Telephone .....	Alexander Graham Bell
Photography (Film) .....	: John Carbutt	Telescope .....	Galileo
Periodic Law .....	Mendeleeef	Television .....	J.L. Baird
Phonograph .....	Edison	Thermosflask .....	Dewar
Phonographic Shorthand .....	Pitman	Transistor .....	Shockly and Bardeen
Photograph .....	Dauguerre	Typewriter .....	Sholes
Principle for lever (S.P.Gravity) .....	Archimedes	Theory of Evolution .....	Charles Darwin
Phototherapy .....	N.R.Finsen	Theory of Relativity .....	Albert Einstein
Positive Electrons .....	Anderson	Uranium fusion .....	Oho Hahn
Powerloom .....	Cartwright	Uranus (Planet) .....	Herschel William
Pneumatic Tyre .....	Dunlop	Vaccination .....	Jenner
Printing for the Blind .....	Braille	Vaccum Flask .....	Sir James Dewar
Printing Press .....	Caxton	Vulcanisation .....	Good Year
Printing Types .....	John Guttenberg	Washing Soda .....	Lablanc
Psycho-analysis .....	Dr.Sigmund Freud	Wireless Communication .....	Oliver Lodge
Rayon .....	: Sir Joseph Swan	Wireless Telegraphy .....	Marcony
Radio-activity of Uranium .....	Henry Becquerel	Wireless .....	Marconi
Raman effect .....	C.V.Raman	X-ray .....	W.C. Rontgen
Radium .....	Madame Curie		



## FAMOUS LINES AND FRONTIERS

- Boundary between Pakistan and Afghanistan: **Durand Line**
- Boundary between India and China: **McMohan Line**
- Line between India and Pakistan: **Radcliff Line**
- Line between North and South Vietnam: **17th Parallel**
- Line between North and South Korea: **38th parallel**
- Border between France and Germany: **Maginot Line**
- The line which Pakistan claims to be the boundary line between India and Pakistan (Not acceptable to India): **20th Parallel**
- The border between USA and Canada: **49th Parallel**
- The border between Germany and Poland: **Oder Niesse Line**
- Boundary between Germany and Poland : **Hindenberg Line**
- Boundary between Namibia and Angola : **16th Parallel**
- Boundary between Russia and Finland : **Mannar Haima Line**

### WHERE THEY REST

Place	Person
Rajghat .....	Mahatma Gandhi
Santhivan .....	Jawaharlal Nehru
Chaithrabhoomi .....	B. R. Ambedkar
Shakthisthal .....	Indira Gandhi
Ekthasthal .....	Zail Singh
Kisanghat .....	Charan Singh
Veerbhoomi .....	Rajiv Gandhi
Abhyaghat .....	Morarji Desai
Narayanghat .....	Gulzarilal Nanda
Samathasthal .....	Jagjivan Ram
Vijayghat .....	Lal Bahadur Shastri
Nigam Bodhghat .....	Kishan Kant
Karmabhumi .....	K. R. Narayanan
Shantivan .....	Sanjay Gandhi
Budha Purnima Park .....	P. V. Narasimha Rao

### NEW AND OLD NAMES OF PLACES IN INDIA

Pondichery .....	Puthuchery
Indraprastham .....	Delhi
Magadham .....	Bihar
Vangaranyam .....	Bengal
Pataliputhram .....	Patna
Kalingam .....	Orissa
Kashi .....	Banaras
Prayag .....	Alahabad
Karnavathi .....	Ahemadabad

Saketnam .....	Ayodhya
Purushapuram .....	Peshawar
Gandharam .....	Khandahar
Avanthi .....	Ujjayini
Kanyakubjam .....	Kanouj
Kamaroop .....	Assam
Devagiri .....	Doulathabad
Kosalam .....	Faizabad
Kanchi .....	Kanchipuram
Vadodara .....	Baroda
Thiruvanchikkulam, Mahodayapuram ...	Kodungallur
Madras .....	Chennai
Calcutta .....	Kolkata
Bangalore .....	Bengalooru

### NEWSPAPERS AND MAGAZINES

#### Started by Indians

- ▶ *Young India, Harijan*: Mahatma Gandhi
- ▶ *National Herald*: Jawaharlal Nehru
- ▶ *Vande Matharam, Karma Yogi*: Aurobindo Ghosh
- ▶ *New India*: Annie Besant
- ▶ *Voice of India*: Dadabhai Naoroji
- ▶ *Al-Hilal*: Edited by Abdul Kalam Azad
- ▶ *Kesari*: Bal Gangadhar Tilak
- ▶ *Indian Opinion*: Gandhiji
- ▶ *Kerala Kaumudi*: K. Sukumaran
- ▶ *Malayala Manorama*: Kandathil Vargheese Mappila
- ▶ *Mathrubhumi*: K.P. Kesava Menon

## RIVERSIDE CITIES & STATES (INDIA)

CITY	RIVER	STATE
Ayodhya	Sarayu	U.P
Badrinath	Alaknanda	Uttarakhand
Kolkata	Hoogly	W. Bengal
Cuttack	Mahanadi	Orissa
Delhi	Yamuna	Delhi
Guwahati	Brahmaputra	Assam
Haridwar	Ganges (Bhagirathi)	Uttarakhand
Agra	Yamuna	U.P
Ahmedabad	Sabarmati	Gujarat
Surat	Tapti	Gujarat
Varanasi	Ganges	Uttar Pradesh
Vijayawada	Krishna	Andhra Pradesh
Hyderabad	Musi	Andhra Pradesh
Kanpur	Ganges	Uttar Pradesh
Lucknow	Gomati	Uttar Pradesh
Nasik	Godawari	Maharashtra
Patna	Ganges	Bihar
Srinagar	Jhelum	J & K
Allahabad	Ganga - Yamuna	U.P
Ferozepur	Sutlej	Punjab
Jabalpur	Narmada	M.P
Ludhiana	Sutlej	Punjab
Madurai	Vaigai	Tamil Nadu
Mysore	Kaveri	Karnataka
Tirunelveli	Tamaraparni	Tamil Nadu
Jamshedpur	Subarnarekha	Bihar
Howrah	Hoogly	West Bengal
Alwaye	Periyar	Kerala
Bhaglpur	Ganga	Bihar
Buxar	Ganga	Bihar
Dibugarh	Brahmaputra	Assam
Kota	Chambal	Rajasthan
Karnool	Tungabhadra	Andhrapradesh
Leh	Indus	Jammu & Kashmir
Moradabad	Ranganga	U.P
Mathura	Yamuna	U.P
Pandharpur	Bhima	Maharashtra
Sambalpur	Mahanadi	Orissa
Srirangapatnam	Cauvery	Karnataka
Tiruchirapally	Cauvery	Tamil Nadu
Ujjine	Narmada	Madya Pradesh
Dhaka	Buriganga	Bangladesh
Mongar	Ganges	Bihar

## WELL KNOWN QUOTATIONS

▶ 'Just as I would not like to be a slave, so I would not like to be a master'

▶ 'A Government, of the people by the people and for the people'

**Abraham Lincoln**

▶ 'Give us tool and we will finish the job'

▶ 'I have nothing to offer but blood, toil, tears and sweat.'

**Sir Winston Churchill**

▶ 'If God did not exist, it would be necessary to invent him.'

▶ 'Crush the infamous thing'.

**Voltaire**

▶ 'The unexamined life is not worth living'

▶ 'Other men live to eat. I eat to live.'

▶ 'Nothing can harm a good man, either in life or after death.'

▶ 'I know nothing except that fact of my ignorance'

▶ 'The unexamined life is not worth living'.

**Socrates**

▶ 'The Gods help them who help themselves'

**Aesop**

▶ 'The State ? It is me'

**Louis XIV**

▶ 'I am not a culprit'

**Fidel Castro**

▶ 'It was only one life, what is one life in the affairs of a state'

**Benitto Mussolini**

▶ 'Success is the sole earthly judge of right and wrong'

**Adolf Hitler**

▶ 'The throne is but a piece of wood covered with velvet'.

▶ 'Give me good mothers. I shall give you a good nation.'

▶ 'There is no word such as impossible in my dictionary'

**Napoleon Bonaparte**

▶ "Et tu Brute".

▶ Vini Vidi Vici (I came, I saw, I, conquered)

**Julius Caesar**

▶ 'I am dying with the help of too many physicians'

**Alexander the Great**

▶ 'Let a hundred flowers bloom and let a thousand schools of thought contend'

▶ "Powers flows from the barrel of a gun".

**Mao- Tse -Tung**

▶ "We can secure peace only by preparing for war".

**John F. Kennedy**

▶ 'The living need charity more than the dead

**George Arnold**

▶ 'Reading make a full man, conference a ready man and writing an exact man'.

▶ 'Some books are to be tasted, others to be swallowed and some few to be chewed and digested'.

▶ 'Studies serve for delight, for ornament and for ability'.

**Francis Bacon**

▶ 'Our sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thought

▶ "If winter comes can spring be far behind"

**P.B. Shelley**

▶ 'Till Earth and Sky stand presently at God's great judgement seat'.

▶ 'East is East and West is West and never the twain shall meet'.

**Rudyard Kipling**

▶ 'The more things a man is ashamed of, the more respectable he is'

**Bernard Shaw**

▶ 'Where wealth accumulates, men decay'.

▶ 'Wisdom makes but a slow defence against trouble, though at last at sure one'.

**Oliver Goldsmith**

▶ 'The roots of education are bitter, but fruit is sweet.'

▶ 'Virtue is the mean state between two vices, the one of excess and other deficiency'.

▶ 'Man is by nature a political animal'

**Aristotle**

▶ 'Let them eat cakes'.

**Marie Antoinette**

▶ "My God, My God, why hast thou forsaken me"

**Jesus Christ**

▶ 'Nevertheless it moves'

**Galileo**

▶ 'Play the game in the spirit of game'.

**Baron Peirre de Coubertin**

▶ 'The empty vessel makes the greatest sound'.

▶ 'Something is rotten in the state of Denmark'

- ▶ ‘There is nothing either good or bad but thinking makes it so’.
- ▶ ‘Brevity is the soul of wit’.
- ▶ ‘Frailty thy name is woman’.
- ▶ ‘To be or not to be, that is the question’.
- ▶ ‘Cowards die many times before their death, the valiant never taste death but once’.
- ▶ ‘All the world is a stage and all the men and women merely players’
- William Shakespere**
- ▶ ‘All our knowledge brings us nearer to our ignorance’.
- T.S. Eliot**
- ▶ ‘End justifies the means’
- Nicholo Machiavelli**
- ▶ ‘Genius is one percent inspiration and ninety nine percent perspiration’.
- Thomas Alva Edison**
- ▶ ‘Knowledge is power’
- Thomas Hobbes**
- ▶ ‘Superstition is the religion of feeble minds’
- Edmund Burke**
- ▶ ‘The style is the name himself’
- Buffon**
- ▶ ‘Proper words in proper place’
- Johnathan Swift**
- ▶ ‘Nature never did betray the heart that loved her’.
- ▶ ‘The child is the father of man’.
- William Wordsworth**
- ▶ ‘A little knowledge is a dangerous thing’.
- ▶ ‘Fools rush in where angels fear to tread’
- Alexander Pope**
- ▶ ‘A thing of beauty is a joy forever’
- ▶ ‘Heard melodies are sweet but those unheard are sweeter’.
- ▶ “Beauty is truth and truth beauty”.
- John Keats**
- ▶ ‘Power tends to corrupt and absolute power corrupts absolutely’.
- Lord Acton**
- ▶ ‘Liberty, Equality, Fraternity’.
- ▶ ‘Man is born free, yet every where he is in chains’.
- Jean - Jacques Rousseau**
- ▶ ‘Whom the Gods love die young’.
- Lord Byron**
- ▶ ‘It takes two to speak the truth - on to speak and the other to hear’.
- Henry David Thoreau**
- ▶ ‘The history of the world is but the biographies of great men’.
- Thomas Carlyle**
- ▶ ‘Better to reign in hell than serve in heaven’.
- John Milton**
- ▶ ‘Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel’
- Dr. Samuel Johnson**
- ▶ ‘Better a live sparrow than a dead eagle’.
- Fitzgerald**
- ▶ ‘Romanticism is disease classicism is health’
- Von Goethe**
- ▶ ‘Taxation without prosperity’
- Jacob Molecschott**
- ▶ ‘To every action there is an equal and opposite reaction.’
- Sir Isaac Newton**
- ▶ ‘Thank God I have done my duty’.
- Last words of Lord Nelson**
- ▶ ‘Virtue is its own reward’
- ▶ ‘The good of the people is the chief law’ -
- Cicero**
- ▶ “Give me a place to stand and I can move the entire earth”.
- ▶ ‘Eureka ! Eureka! (I have found it)’ -
- Archimedes**
- ▶ ‘Religion is the opium of the people’
- Karl Marx**
- ▶ ‘Man is a tool making animal’
- Benjamin Franklin**
- ▶ ‘Direct Action’
- Mohammed Ali Jinnah**
- ▶ ‘Good government is no substitute for self government’.
- Morley**
- ▶ One small step for men a leap for mankind (On the stepping on moon)
- Neil Armstrong**
- ▶ ‘I think therefore I am’.
- Descartes**
- ▶ ‘Truth and non - violence are my God’
- ▶ ‘Do or die’
- ▶ ‘Hai Ram’
- ▶ ‘Untouchability is a crime against God and mankind’

- ▶ 'A customer is the most important person in our premises'.

**Mahatma Gandhi**

- ▶ 'Ram and Rahim are the two different names of the same God'

**Kabir Das**

- ▶ 'Kerala is a lunatic asylum'
- ▶ 'Live fast; die young'.

**Swami Vivekananda**

- ▶ 'We have now to fight for peace with the same courage and determination as we fought against aggression'.
- ▶ 'Jai Jawan Jai Kisan'

**Lal Bahadur Shastri**

- ▶ 'One caste, one God, one religion for man'.

**Sree Narayana Guru**

- ▶ 'Back to Vedas'

**Swami Dayananda Saraswati**

- ▶ 'Generations to come, it may be, will scarce believe that such a one as this ever in flesh and blood walked up on this earth'.

**Einstein** (About Gandhi)

- ▶ 'The whole universe is my native land'

**Kalpna Chawla**

- ▶ 'Swaraj is my birthright I shall have it'

**Balagangadhara Tilak**

- ▶ 'We have made a tryst with destiny'.
- ▶ 'Aram Haram Hai'
- ▶ 'At the stroke of midnight hour when the world sleeps India will wake to life and freedom'.

**Jawaharlal Nehru**

- ▶ 'Dilli Chalo'.
- ▶ 'Give me blood' I shall give you freedom'

**Subhash Chandra Bose**

- ▶ 'Garibi Hatao'

**Indira Gandhi**

- ▶ 'Freedom is in peril. Defend it with all your might'.
- ▶ 'Work like a bull and live like a hermit'.

**Dr. Ambedkar**

- ▶ 'Aiming low is a crime'

**A. P. J. Abdul Kalam**

- ▶ ..... the light that shone in this country was no ordinary light ..... for that light represented that living truth ...

**Jawaharlal Nehru**

- ▶ 'This was their finest hour'

**Sir Winston Churchill**

- ▶ 'More things are wrought by prayers than this world dreams of'.

**Tennyson**

- ▶ 'Take care to get what you like or you will be forced to like what you get'.

**George Bernard Shaw**

- ▶ 'The goal of war is peace; of business, leisure'
- ▶ The roots of education are bitter, but fruit is sweet

**Aristotle**

- ▶ Marriage is the only adventure open to the timid

**Voltaire**

- ▶ 'Know them thy self, presume not God to scan'
- ▶ 'The proper study of mankind of a man'

**Alexander Pope**

- ▶ The supreme happiness of life is the conviction that we are loved'

**Victor Hugo**

- ▶ 'Among freemen there can be no successful appeal from the ballot to the bullet'

**Abraham Lincoln**

- ▶ 'There is no god higher than truth'

**Mahatma Gandhi**

- ▶ 'The best portion of a good Men's life. His little nameless, unremembered acts of kindness and of love'

**William Wordsworth**

- ▶ 'I am restless, I thirst for the distant, the far away'
- ▶ 'I would sooner fail than not be among the greatest'

**John Keats**

- ▶ 'The class struggle necessarily leads to the dictatorship of the proletariat'

**Karl Marx (1818 - 83)**

- ▶ Big, Bright and beautiful  
(Describing the view of the earth from the space)
- ▶ "The responsibility for their flight lies from with history and with the giants of science who proceeded the effort".  
(Farewell telecast from space)

**Neil Armstrong**

- ▶ 'Big brother is watching you'

**George Orwell**

- ▶ 'Be proud that you are Indian, proudly claim I am an Indian, every Indian is my brother'

**Vivekananda**

## INTERNATIONAL DAYS

World Laughter Day .....	January 10	and drought .....	June 17
World Customs Day .....	January 26	Father's Day .....	June 20
Valentine's Day .....	February 14	UN Charter Signing Day .....	June 25
World Mother Language Day .....	February 21	International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking .....	June 26
World Women's Day .....	March 8	World Architectural Day .....	July 1
World Consumer Day .....	March 15	World Population Day .....	July 11
World Disabled Day .....	March 15	World Breast Feeding Day .....	August 1
World Forestry Day .....	March 21	International Friendship Day .....	August 3
International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination .....	March 21	Hiroshima Day .....	August 6
World Day for Water .....	March 22	Nagasaki Day .....	August 9
World Meteorological Day .....	March 23	World Youth Day .....	August 12 (UN)
World Tuberculosis Day .....	March 24	World Folklore Day .....	August 22
World Theatre Day .....	March 27	World Sanskrit Day .....	August 22
World Ship Day .....	April 5	World Enforced Disappearance Day .....	August 31
World Health Day .....	April 7	World Coconut Day .....	September 2
World Aviation and Cosmonautics Day .....	April 12	World Literacy Day .....	September 8
International Special Librarians Day .....	April 15	World Ozone Day .....	September 16
World Haemophilia Day .....	April 17	U.N. Peace Day .....	September 20
World Heritage Day .....	April 18	World Alzheimer's Day .....	September 21
World Secretaries Day .....	April 21	World Tourism Day .....	September 27
World Earth Day .....	April 22	World Heart Day .....	Last Sunday September
World Book and Copy Right Day .....	April 23	World Animal Welfare Day .....	October 4
International Dance Day .....	April 29	World Postal Day .....	October 9
May Day, International Labourers Day .....	May 1	Territorial Army Day .....	October 9
World Solar Energy Day .....	May 3	World Standards Day .....	October 14
World Press Freedom Day .....	May 3	World Blind Day (World white cane day) .....	October 15
World Red Cross Day .....	May 8	World Food Day .....	October 16
International Nurses Day .....	May 12	Global Iodine Deficiency Disorders Day .....	October 21
International Mothers Day .. 2 <sup>nd</sup> sunday of every May		U.N Day .....	October 24
World Day of the Family .....	May 15	World Information Development Day .....	October 24
World Telecommunication Day .....	May 17	World Thrift Day .....	October 30
Commonwealth Day .....	May 24	World Diabetes Day .....	November 14
World Anti-tobacco Day .....	May 31	World Citizen Day .....	November 14
International Day of innocent, Children Victims of Aggression Day .....	June 4	World Environmental Protection day .....	November 25
World Environment Day .....	June 5	World AIDS Day .....	December 1
World day to combat desertification		World Human Rights Day .....	December 10
		World Asthma Day .....	December 11
		Marconi Day .....	December 12

## NATIONAL DAYS (INDIA)

Pravasi Bharatiya Divas .....	January 9
National Youth Day .....	January 12
Army Day .....	January 15
Netaji Day .....	January 23
India Tourism Day .....	January 25
Republic Day .....	January 26
Martyr's Day .....	January 30
Panchayat Day .....	February 19
Arunachal Day .....	February 20
Central Excise Day .....	February 24
National Science Day .....	February 28
National Security Day .....	March 4
Ordinance Factories Day (India) .....	March 18
Orissa Day .....	April 1
National Maritime Day .....	April 5
Jallianwala bagh Day .....	April 13
National Technology Day .....	May 11
National Mother Security Day .....	April 11
Solidarity Day .....	May 13
Fire force day .....	April 14
Sikkim Day .....	May 16
Anti Terrorism Day (Death anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi) .....	May 21
Everest Day .....	May 29
Doctor's Day .....	July 1
Kargil Vijay Day .....	July 26
Quit India Day .....	August 9
Independence Day .....	August 15
Sadbhavana Day .....	(Birth anniversary of Rajiv Gandhi) August 20
National Sports Day (Dhyanchand's Brithday) .....	August 29
Teachers Day (Birth anniversary of Dr. Radhakrishnan) .....	September 5
Hindi Day .....	September 14
Engineers day .....	September 15
Deaf Day .....	September 26
National Blood Donation Day .....	October 1
Gandhi Jayanti Day .....	October 2

### National Voters Day

January 25 will here after be celebrated as National Voters Day. January 25 is the foundation day of the Election Commission of India.

Wild Life Week .....	October 1st to 7
Air Force Day .....	October 8
National Postal Day .....	October 10
Azad Hind day .....	October 21
National Rededication Day (Death anniversary of Mrs. Indira Gandhi, birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhai Patel) .....	October 31
Legal Service Day .....	November 9
Transport Day .....	November 10
Childrens Day .....	November 14
National News Paper day .....	November 16
National Mental disorder day .....	November 17
Indian Citizen Day .....	November 19
NCC Day .....	November 24
National Law Day .....	November 26
Navy Day .....	December 4
Armed Force Flag Day .....	December 7
National Mental disorder .....	December 8
Conservation Day .....	December 14
National energy protect day .....	December 14
Vijay Divas .....	December 16
National Minorities Rights Day .....	December 18
Kissan Day (Farmer's Day) .....	December 23
National Consumer Day .....	December 24

- ▶ *Kisan Divas* celebrated on the birth day of Sri Charan Singh.
- ▶ *Children's day* is being celebrated on the birthday of Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru
- ▶ *Teachers Day* is being celebrated on the birthday of Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan
- ▶ *National youth Day* is being celebrated on the birthday of Vivekananda
- ▶ *National Sports day* is being celebrated on the birthday of Dhyanchand.
- ▶ *National Technology day* is being celebrated to commemorate India's achievements on nuclear capability.
- ▶ *National Science Day* is celebrated on the day in 1928 C. V. Raman discovered Raman Effect.
- ▶ *Doctor's Day* is celebrated on the birthday of Dr. B. C. Roy
- ▶ *National Broadcasting Day* is celebrated on that day when Gandhiji addressed the nation.

## UNITED NATIONS YEAR

Refugees year .....	1959-60
Co-operation Year .....	1965
Tourism year .....	1967
Human Rights Year .....	1968
Education Year .....	1970
Fight against Racial discrimination Year .....	1971
Book Year .....	1972
Copper Nicus Year .....	1973
Population Year .....	1974
Women's Year .....	1975
Fight Against Untouchability .....	1978
Childrens Year .....	1979
Handicapped year .....	1981
Communication Year .....	1983
Youth Year .....	1985
Peace Year .....	1986
AIDS Year .....	1988
Literacy Year .....	1990
Space Year .....	1992
Sports and Family Year .....	1994
Poverty Eradication Year .....	1996
Ocean Year .....	1998
Old Age Year .....	1999
Peace and Cultural Year .....	2000
Self Service Year .....	2001
Mountains Year .....	2002
Eco Tourism Year .....	2002
Fresh Water Year .....	2003
International Rice Year .....	2004
International Micro Credit Year .....	2005
International Physics Year .....	2005
International Sports and Physical Education .....	2005
International Dolphin – Pole Year .....	2007
International Potato Year .....	2008
International Earth Year .....	2008
International Natural Fibre Year .....	2009
Bio Diversity Year .....	2010
Forest Year .....	2011

## KERALA - DAYS

June 19 .....	Reading Day
June 19 - 25 .....	Reading Week
Chingam 1 .....	Agricultural Day
October 4 .....	Elephant Day
October 13 .....	Sports Day
November 1 .....	Kerala formation Day

## IMPORTANT MUSEUMS

National Childrens Museum .....	New Delhi
Calico Textile Museum .....	Ahemadabad
Visvesaraya Industrial And Technological Museum	Bangalore
Tippu Sulthan Museum .....	Sreerangapatnam
Sree Chithra Art Gallery .....	Thiruvananthapuram
Birla Industrial & Technological Museum ....	Kolkata
Birla Planetorium .....	Kolkata
Nethaji Museum .....	Kolkata
National Gallery of Modern Art .....	New Delhi
Indian Museum .....	Kolkata
National Museum .....	Kolkata
Salarjung Museum .....	Hyderabad
Nehru Museum .....	New Delhi
Archeological Museum .....	New Delhi
Victoria Memorial Hall .....	Kolkata
Rail Transport Museum .....	New Delhi
National Museum of Natural History .....	New Delhi
Indian War Memorial Museum .....	New Delhi
Prince of Wales Museum .....	Mumbai

## OFFICIAL RESIDENCE

Indian President .....	Rashtrapathi Bhavan
Indian Prime Minister .....	No. 7, Race Course Road
Pope .....	Vatical Palace
Governor .....	Raj Bhavan
American President .....	White House
Britain Prime Minister .....	10, Downing Street
King & Queen of Britain .....	Bekkingham Palace
South Korean President .....	Blue House
Sreelankan President .....	Temple Trees
Nepal King .....	Narayan Hithi Palace
Kongo President .....	Marbil Palace
Pakistan President .....	Ivane Sadan
French President .....	Eleese Palace

## INDUSTRIAL NAMES

Ambassador .....	Car
Nicon .....	Camera
Alvin .....	Refrigerator
Amul .....	Milk Powder
Usha .....	Fan, Sewing Machine
Merit .....	Sewing Machine



Bush, Murphy .....	Radio
Philips, Panasoni .....	Radio & Television
Kelvinator .....	Refrigerator
Prestige .....	Pressure Cooker
Chandrika, Lux, Pears, Radhas, Lifeboy .....	Soap
Sunlight .....	Soap Power
Shalimar, Nerolac .....	Paint
Lactogen, Lactose .....	Milk Powder
Ashok, Zenith .....	Blade
Fiat, Premier, Standars .....	Car
Ciat, Dunlop, Bridgestone .....	Tyre
Crompton, Rally, GEC .....	Fan
Hero .....	Pen
Colgate, Cibaca, Forehands, Close up... ..	Tooth Paste
Signal .....	Tooth Paste
Wills, Charminar, Panama, Scissors .....	Cigarette
Rolex, Titan, Ceeko, Favourluba .....	Watch
Citizen, Omega, Jovial .....	Watch
Jumbo .....	Jet Plain
Avro .....	Aero Plain
Raj Dooth, Bullet, Royal Enfield .....	Motor Cycle
Benze, Leyland .....	Bus, Car, Lorry
Sakthiman .....	Treck
Jubily, Bismi .....	Pen
Everady, Jeep, Toshiba Anand, Nippo .....	Battery
Hercules, BSA, Hero .....	Cycle
Bata .....	Shoes
Chethak, Lamby, Vijay .....	Scooter
Remington, Halda, Godrej .....	Typewriter
Bajaj .....	Bulb
Bruke Bond .....	Coffee, Tea
Lipton .....	Tea

## PUBLICATIONS

The Times .....	London
The Sunday Times .....	London
Daily Telegraph .....	London
Morning Star .....	London
The Guardian .....	London
The Sun .....	London
The Economist .....	London
The Observer .....	London
Financial Times .....	London
The Daily Mail .....	London
The Hindu .....	India

Newyork Times .....	Newyork
Washington Post .....	Washington
International Herald Tribune .....	Newyork
The Don .....	Karachi
Pakistan Times .....	Karachi
Kabool Mail .....	Kabool
Outlook .....	Karachi
Red Flag .....	Beejing
China Times .....	Tai Pey
Rudepravo .....	Pregue
Limonde .....	Paris
Pravda .....	Moscow
Isestya .....	Moscow
Straight Times .....	Singapore
Akbar Al Kuwait .....	Kuwait
Al thavara .....	Demascus
Peoples Daily .....	Beejing
Statesman .....	Colombo
Ashi Shimban .....	Tokyo
Australian .....	Canberra
Mainichi Shimban .....	Japan
Times of India .....	India
Morning News .....	Bangladesh
Sydney Morning News .....	Sydney
Reference News .....	China
Rising Nepal .....	Katmandu

## FIRST IN KERALA

Governor .....	Dr. B Ramakrishna Rao
Chief Minister .....	E.M.S. Namboothiripad
Deputy Chief Minister .....	R. Sankar
Assembly Speaker .....	R. Sankarana Narayanan Thampi
Congress Chief Minister .....	R. Sankar (1962)
Jnapeeda Winner (India) .....	G. Sankara Kurup
Malayalee Governor .....	V.P. Menon
First Malayalee Member of UPSC ... ..	Dr. K.G. Adiyodi
First Malayalee winner of Dhronacharya Award .....	O.M. Nambiar
Woman Magistrate .....	Omanakunjamma
Woman High Court Judge .....	Anna Chandy
Woman Minister .....	K.R. Gowri
Woman member of Parliament .....	Anne Maskrin
First woman I.A.S .....	Anna Malhothra
Woman IPS Officer .....	Sreelekha

President -Kerala Sahithya Academy  
Sardar K.M. Paniker  
College ..... CMS College  
Printing Press ..... CMS Press, Kottayam  
Movie ..... Vigathakumaran  
Movie with sound ..... Balan  
Colour Movie ..... Kandam Bech Kottu  
Olympian ..... Suresh Babu  
Malayalee President INC ..... C. Sankaran Nair  
National Park ..... Eravikulam  
Novelist ..... Appu Nedungadi  
Champu in Malayam ..... Unniyachi Charitham  
Sanskrit Champu ..... Amogha Raghavam  
Newspaper ..... Rajya Samacharam  
Woman Vice Chancellor ..... Dr. Janci James  
Printed Malayalam Book ..... Samkshepa Vedartham  
First Book in which Malayalam Alphabet was printed  
Horthus Malabaricus  
Press in India where Malayalam was printed .....  
Career Press, Mumbai  
Monthly Literary Magazine ..... Vidyavilasini  
Short Story ..... Vasana Vikruthi  
Social Novel ..... Indulekha  
Detective Novel ..... Bhaskara Menon  
Drama ..... Kalyani Nadakam  
University ..... Kerala University  
Radio Station ..... Thiruvananthapuram  
Malayalam Internet Literary Club ..... www.puzha.com  
Bank ..... Nedungadi Bank  
Malayalam Internet Portal ..... Indiainfo.com  
Post Office ..... Alappuzha  
English School ..... Mattanchery  
Indian Principal ..... A.R. Raja Raja Varma  
Keralite appearing Postal Stamp . Sreenarayana Guru  
Museum ..... Trivandrum  
Zoo ..... Trivandrum  
Concrete Bridge ..... Karamana, TVPM  
Film Hero ..... A.K. Aroor  
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