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### IMPORTANT DATES & EVENTS

- **5 November:** World Tsunami Awareness Day  
**Theme:** *Be Tsunami Ready: Invest in Tsunami Preparedness.*
- **8 November:** World Radiography Day
- **10 November:** World Science Day for Peace & Development  
**Theme:** *Trust, Transformation, and Tomorrow – The Science We Need for 2050.*
- **11 November:** National Education Day
- **12 November:** World Pneumonia Day  
**Theme:** *Protect Every Breath.*
- **14 November:** World Diabetes Day  
**Theme:** *Diabetes Across Life Stages.*



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- **14 November:** Children's Day  
Celebrated on Jawaharlal Nehru's birth anniversary  
**Theme:** *For Every Child, Every Right.*
- **15 November:** UN Day to Fight Transnational Organized Crime
- **16 November:** National Press Day
- **16 November:** International Day for Tolerance
- **17 November:** International Students' Day
- **17 November:** First official World Cervical Cancer Elimination Day
- **18 November:** National Naturopathy Day
- **19 November:** Women's Entrepreneurship Day
- **19 November:** World Toilet Day  
**Theme:** *Sanitation in a Changing World.*
- **25 November:** International Day for Elimination of Violence Against Women  
**Theme:** *UNiTE to End Digital Violence Against Women and Girls.*
- **26 November:** National Milk Day
- **26 November:** World Sustainable Transport Day

## PERSONS IN NEWS / APPOINTMENTS

- **Sulakshana Pandit**, veteran actor and playback singer known for films like *Uljhan* and *Chehre Pe Chehra*, passed away in Mumbai at **71** due to cardiac arrest. She belonged to the **Mewati Gharana** from Hisar, Haryana.
- **Lenny Wilkens**, NBA Hall of Famer and legendary coach-player, died at **88**, remembered as a three-time Hall of Famer.
- **Shaikha Nasser Al Nowais (UAE)** has been appointed the **first woman head of UN Tourism**. Her appointment was confirmed during the **123rd UN Tourism Executive Council session** in Segovia, Spain. She will take charge in **January 2026** for a **four-year term**, marking a major milestone for gender representation.
- **Tatsuya Nakadai**, renowned Japanese actor, passed away at **92** due to pneumonia in Tokyo, ending a celebrated career spanning seven decades.



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- **Shailesh Chandra** became the **first Indian President** of the **International Organisation of Motor Vehicle Manufacturers (OICA)**. He served as MD & CEO of **Tata Motors Passenger Vehicles**, highlighting India's rising role in global automobile policy.
- Veteran actress **Kamini Kaushal** died at **98** in Mumbai. She had a career of over seven decades and last appeared in *Laal Singh Chaddha* (2022).
- **Todd Snider**, a singer-songwriter from Portland known for shaping Americana and alt-country music, passed away at **59**. He was known for works like *East Nashville Skyline* and his 2025 release *High, Lonesome and Then Some*.
- Popular Odia singer **Humane Sagar** died at **34** at AIIMS Bhubaneswar due to complications from bilateral pneumonia and multi-organ dysfunction. His notable songs included *Tuma Otha Tale* and *Chehera*, and he also debuted in Hindi music with *Mera Yeh Jahan*.
- Indian chef **Vijay Kumar** received **La Liste 2026 "Talent of the Year"** award (France-based ranking body).
- **Vivek Chaturvedi (IRS 1990 batch)** was appointed **Chairman of CBIC** (Central Board of Indirect Taxes).
- **Sanjay Garg** took charge as **Director General of BIS** (Bureau of Indian Standards).
- **Sunil Paliwal** was appointed **Chairman of IWAI** (Inland Waterways Authority of India).
- Tanzania's President **Samia Suluhu Hassan** was sworn in for a **second term**, amid tight security following elections that saw protests and opposition rejection.
- Environmentalist **Saalumarada Thimmakka**, popularly called "**Vriksha Mathe**" (**Mother of Trees**), passed away at **114**. She was awarded the **Padma Shri (2019)** and the **National Citizen's Award**.
- **Charles Coste**, French cyclist and **1948 London Olympics gold medallist**, passed away. He was known as the world's oldest living Olympic champion.
- **Roger Federer** was elected to the **International Tennis Hall of Fame** and will be inducted in the **Class of 2026** at Newport, Rhode Island. He won **20 Grand Slam singles titles** and **103 tour-level trophies**, and retired in 2022.



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- Indian cricketer **Richa Ghosh** received the **Banga Bhushan award** from the West Bengal government, along with appointment as **DSP** and a gold chain after India's Women's World Cup win in 2025. CAB also awarded her **₹34 lakh** at Eden Gardens.
- **Paradeep Phosphates Limited (PPL)** announced **Rahul Dravid** as its brand ambassador.
- Irish fashion designer **Paul Costelloe** died at **80** in London. He was known as a leading name in British-Irish fashion and designed for Princess Diana.
- Veteran Bollywood actor **Dharmendra** passed away at **89** in Mumbai. Born in 1935 in Sahnewal, Ludhiana, he debuted in 1960 with *Dil Bhi Tera Hum Bhi Tere* and became widely famous for action roles, earning the title "**He-Man of Bollywood.**" His iconic role was **Veeru in Sholay**, with major hits throughout the 1960s–70s.
- German actor **Udo Kier**, known for roles in cult films, arthouse cinema, and mainstream blockbusters, passed away in Palm Springs, California. His work ranged from Andy Warhol films to *Ace Ventura, Blade*, and collaborations with Lars von Trier.
- Supreme Court judge **Justice Vikram Nath** was appointed by the President of India as the new **Executive Chairman of NALSA** (National Legal Services Authority).

## AWARDS

- **Booker Prize 2025:** Hungarian-British author **David Szalay** won for his novel **Flesh**. Prize money: **£50,000**.
- **10th London East Asia Film Festival (LEAFF) 2025:** South Korean crime thriller **Project Y** won **Best Film**. Director: **Lee Hwan**.
- **Manohar Parrikar Yuva Scientist Award 2025:** **Dr Sai Gautam Gopalakrishnan** (IISc Bengaluru) received the award, carrying a **₹5 lakh** cash prize.
- **Fox Nation Patriot Awards: Melania Trump** received the **Patriot of the Year** award at the 7th annual ceremony in Greenvale, New York.
- **Earthshot Prize 2025:** Winners announced in Rio de Janeiro across categories:
  1. Nature restoration: **re.green (Brazil)**
  2. Clean air: **City of Bogotá (Colombia)**
  3. Ocean revival: **High Seas Treaty (Global)**



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4. Waste-free world: **Lagos Fashion Week (Nigeria)**

5. Climate fixing: **Friendship (Bangladesh)**

Each winner received **£1 million**. The prize is run by the **Earthshot Prize Foundation**, set up in 2020 by Prince William and Sir David Attenborough.

### • National Water Awards 2024:

1. **Maharashtra** won **Best State**
2. **Gujarat** and **Haryana** secured 2nd and 3rd place
3. Announced by the **Ministry of Jal Shakti**
4. **Navi Mumbai** won Best ULB
5. **Kanifnath WUA (Nashik)** got 2nd place for Best Water User Association

• **Moolathva World Award 2025:** Bengaluru's **Nele Foundation** received the award for its work in child welfare and support for orphaned and vulnerable children.

### • Ramoji Excellence Awards 2025 (Hyderabad):

1. **Srikanth Bolla** won Youth Icon Award
2. **Amla Ashok Ruia** honoured for Excellence in Rural Development
3. Other awardees included **Jaideep Hardikar, Pallabi Ghosh, and Prof. Madhavi Latha Gali**

• **Maulana Abul Kalam Azad National Award 2025:** Awarded to **Mohammed Lateef Khan**, Founder-Chairman of MS Education Academy, for contributions to education and culture.

• **ATAL Shastra MARKENOMY & InWENA Lifetime Achievement Award 2025:** **Sonali S Jeet Iyengar** was honoured for her work in fine arts, museology, sculpture, and conservation.

• **Honorary Oscar: Tom Cruise** received his first Oscar (Honorary Award) at the **16th Governors Awards** for his contributions to cinema and theatre experience.

• **Australia's Don Award: Oscar Piastrri** received the award for an exceptional 2025 F1 season with seven Grand Prix wins.

### • IFFI 2025 (Goa):

1. Golden Peacock (Best Feature Film): **Skin of Youth** (Ashleigh Mayfair)



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2. Silver Peacock (Best Director): **Santosh Davakhar** for *Gondhal*
  3. Special Jury Award: **Akinola Davies Junior** for *My Father's Shadow*
  4. Best Actor Male: **Ubeimar Rios**
  5. Best Actor Female: **Jara Sofija Ostan** for *Little TroubleGirls*
  6. ICFT-UNESCO Gandhi Medal: **Safe House** (Eirik Svensson)
  7. Best Debut Director (Indian Feature Film): **Karan Singh Tyagi** for *Kesari 2*
  8. OTT Best Indian Panorama: *\*Bandish Bandit 2*
- **Desert Palm Achievement Award: Leonardo DiCaprio** will be honoured at the Palm Springs Film Festival for *One Battle After Another*.
  - **53rd International Emmy Awards 2025:**
    1. Best Arts Programming: *Ryuichi Sakamoto for the Last Days*
    2. Best Drama Series: *Rivals*
    3. Best Comedy Series: *Ludwig* (UK, BBC)
    4. Best Actress: **Anna Maxwell Martin** (*Until I Kill You*)
    5. Best Actor: **Oriol Pla** (Spain)
  - **World Leader for Peace and Security Award 2025: Sri Sri Ravi Shankar** received the award from Boston Global Forum (BGF) & AI World Society (AIWS) at Harvard University.
  - **Chevalier Award:** Art director **Thota Tharani** received France's **Chevalier de L'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres** for contribution to arts and cinema.
  - **Sons of the Soil Emerging Achievers Award:** Union Minister **Sarbananda Sonowal** honoured five young achievers from Assam at the 5th Biennial awards hosted by Care Luit.