

Current Affairs

April 8

1. Ecuador faces outrage after storming Mexican embassy to arrest former VP *Source: CNN*
<https://edition.cnn.com/2024/04/07/americas/outrage-mexican-embassy-ecuador-intl/index.html>
2. Iran FM Opens New Syria Consulate after Deadly Strike *Source: Asharq AL-Awsat*
<https://english.aawsat.com/arab-world/4955501-iran-fm-opens-new-syria-consulate-after-deadly-strike>
3. Brazil Supreme Court investigating Elon Musk over obstruction, disinformation on X *Source: CBS news*
<https://www.cbsnews.com/news/brazil-elon-musk-x-twitter-free-speech-disinformation-obstruction/>
4. TSMC Arizona and U.S. Department of Commerce Announce up to US\$6.6 Billion in Proposed CHIPS Act Direct Funding, the Company Plans Third Leading-Edge Fab in Phoenix *Source: TSMC*
<https://pr.tsmc.com/english/news/3122>
5. ISIS Fugitive Arrested at Fiumicino Airport *Source: ilmessaggero*
https://www.ilmessaggero.it/en/isis_fugitive_arrested_at_fiumicino_airport-8043572.html
6. Improving Sodium Ion Batteries with Mechanically Robust Nanocellular Graphene *Source: Tohoku University*
https://www.tohoku.ac.jp/en/press/improving_sodium_ion_batteries_with_mechanically_robust_nanocellular_graphene.html
7. Innovative magnetic levitation: New material offers potential for unlocking gravity-free technology *Source: Okinawa Institute of Science and Technology*
<https://www.oist.jp/news-center/news/2024/4/8/innovative-magnetic-levitation-new-material-offers-potential-unlocking-gravity-free-technology>
8. Forsyth's ADA Scientists Uncover Novel Phage Resistance Method *Source: Mirage news*
<https://www.miragenews.com/forsyths-ada-scientists-uncover-novel-phage-1210799/>
9. Solar Eclipse Live Updates: Incredible Views From The Path Of Totality *Source: The Weather Channel*
<https://weather.com/science/space/news/2024-04-08-total-solar-eclipse-live-blog>
10. Karnataka High Court Becomes First HC To Hear Arguments Of Speech & Hearing-Impaired Advocate Through Sign Language Interpreter *Source: Live Law*
<https://www.livelaw.in/high-court/karnataka-high-court/karnataka-high-court-hearing-case-hearing-impaired-advocate-sign-language-interpreter-254614>

Today In *History*

Find Out What happened On April 8

Important events of April 8

- **1801:** 128 Jews died in violence in Bucharest, the capital of Romania.
- **1831:** Famous social reformer Raja Ram Mohan Roy arrived in England.
- **1838:** The Great Western steam-powered ship sailed from Bristol, England, and arrived in New York a fortnight later. This is the first fireboat to cross the Atlantic Ocean.
- **1857:** Mangal Pandey, a soldier of the 1857 rebellion, was executed.
- **1911:** Dutch physicist Heike Onnes discovered superconductivity.
- **1912:** more than 200 people drowned after two ships collided in the Nile River.
- **1921:** Acharya Vinoba Bhave established Paunar Ashram at Wardha.
- **1929:** Bhagat Singh and Batukeshwar Dutt bombed the Central Assembly in Delhi.
- **1946:** The last meeting of the League of Nations, the predecessor of the United Nations.
- **1950:** After the partition of India and Pakistan, both countries signed an agreement to safeguard the rights of minorities living in their respective countries. India and Pakistan sign the Liaquat-Nehru Agreement.
- **1959:** Computer engineers met to develop a new programming language 'COBOL'.
- **1961:** 240 people died when the British ship Dara fell into the Persian Gulf.
- **1964:** "Gemini-1" was launched.
- **1985:** Border war started between India and Pakistan, it is also known as the Second Kashmir War.
- **1988:** General Wen Shang Kun was elected President of China.
- **1993:** The Republic of Macedonia joined the United Nations.
- **2003:** the US military dropped bunker-busting bombs on Baghdad to track down Saddam Hussein, killing many civilians.
- **2005:** An estimated 4 million people attended the funeral of Pope John Paul II.
- **2008:** The governments of Andhra Pradesh and Karnataka declared Sikhs as a minority in their states.

Famous People born on April 8

- **1924:** *Kumar Gandharva, an Indian classical singer.*
- **1928:** *Ranjit Desai, a popular Marathi writer from Maharashtra, India.*
- **1938:** *Kofi Annan, a Ghanaian diplomat who served as the seventh Secretary-General of the United Nations.*
- **1950:** *Bijay Mohanty, an Indian film actor of Odia Cinema.*
- **1892:** *Historian Hemchandra Rai Choudhary was born.*