

Current Affairs

May 12

1. Chinese Companies Win More Bids to Explore for Iraq Oil and Gas *Source: **Asharq Al-Awsat***
<https://english.aawsat.com/business/5013151-chinese-companies-win-more-bids-explore-iraq-oil-and-gas>
2. Pakistan deputy PM to head to China on Monday for talks on trade, economic cooperation *Source: **Arab news*** <https://www.arabnews.com/node/2508706/pakistan>
3. Hope there is resolution of remaining issues: Jaishankar on eastern Ladakh border row with China *Source: **The Hindu***
<https://www.thehindu.com/news/national/hope-there-is-resolution-of-remaining-issues-jaishankar-on-eastern-ladakh-border-row-with-china/article68167312.ece#:~:text=As%20the%20eastern%20Ladakh%20military,and%20tranquillity%20at%20the%20border.>
4. 'India bought Russian oil, because we wanted somebody to buy...': US Ambassador Eric Garcetti *Source: **Business Today***
<https://www.businesstoday.in/india/story/india-brought-russian-oil-because-we-wanted-somebody-to-buy-eric-garcetti-429243-2024-05-12>
5. Supreme Court Asks HCs, Centre & States/UTs To Comply With Directions To Prevent Unnecessary Arrests & Remand *Source: **LiveLaw***
[https://www.livelaw.in/top-stories/supreme-court-unnecessary-arrest-remand-satender-kumar-antil-siddharth-257712#:~:text=The%20Supreme%20Court%20\(on%20May,Satender%20Kumar%20Antil%20vs.%20Central](https://www.livelaw.in/top-stories/supreme-court-unnecessary-arrest-remand-satender-kumar-antil-siddharth-257712#:~:text=The%20Supreme%20Court%20(on%20May,Satender%20Kumar%20Antil%20vs.%20Central)
6. Do Clashing Galaxies Create Odd Radio Circles? *Source: **Universe Today***
<https://www.universetoday.com/166950/do-clashing-galaxies-create-odd-radio-circles/>
7. Madagascar's ancient baobab forests are being restored by communities – with a little help from AI *Source: **The Conversation***
<https://theconversation.com/madagascars-ancient-baobab-forests-are-being-restored-by-communities-with-a-little-help-from-ai-229019>
8. Global Chips Battle Intensifies With \$81 Billion Subsidy Surge *Source: **bloomberg***
<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/features/2024-05-12/chip-technology-spending-gets-81-billion-boost-in-china-rivalry?srnd=homepage-americas>
9. Egypt to join South Africa's ICJ genocide case against Israel *Source: **maktoobmedia***
<https://maktoobmedia.com/gaza-genocide/egypt-to-join-south-africas-icj-genocide-case-against-israel/>
10. Lithuanians vote in presidential election amid security fears in Baltic region *Source: **The Guardian***
<https://www.theguardian.com/world/article/2024/may/12/lithuania-presidential-election-gitanas-nauseda-ukraine-russia-threat>

Today In History

Find Out What happened On May 12

Important events of May 12

- *International Nurses Day (birthday of Florence Nightingale, the father of modern nursing)*
- **1459:** *Rao Jodha founded Jodhpur.*
- **1638:** *Emperor Shah Jahan commissioned construction of the Red Fort on this day when he decided to shift his capital to Delhi.*
- **1666:** *Under the treaty of Purandar, Shivaji Maharaj reached Agra to meet Aurangzeb.*
- **1689:** *England and Holland formed the League of Augsburg.*
- **1797:** *Napoleon I conquered Venice.*
- **1890:** *Inauguration of the first official cricket county championship match in Bristol.*
- **1925:** *Uzbekistan and Kyrgyzstan became autonomous Soviet republics.*
- **1941:** *Konrad Zuse in Berlin introduced the world's first fully automated Z3 computer.*
- **1942:** *1500 Jews were killed in gas chambers in Auschwitz.*
- **1952:** *The first session of the Parliament of the Republic of India began.*
- **1965:** *Israel and West Germany exchanged letters to begin diplomatic relations.*
- **1987:** *India brought the HMS Hermes warship from the British Royal Navy and launched it as INS Virat.*
- **1998:** *Central Government decided to increase the retirement age of Central Government employees from 58 years to 60 years.*
- **1999:** *Russia's Deputy Prime Minister Sergei Stepanish was appointed acting Prime Minister, US Finance Minister Robert Rubin resigned from his post.*
- **2002:** *Egypt, Syria and Saudi Arabia expressed their desire for a peace agreement in West Asia.*
- **2003:** *26 people died in an Al Qaeda attack in the Saudi city of Riyadh.*
- **2008:** *A magnitude 8.0 earthquake shook China, killing at least 69,000 people.*
- **2010:** *S. H. Kapadia became the 38th Chief Justice of India.*

Famous People born on May 12

- **1820:** *Florence Nightingale, an English social reformer, statistician, and the founder of modern nursing.*
- **1875:** *Krishnachandra Bhattacharya, a famous philosopher who studied Hindu philosophy, was born.*
- **1892:** *Ramanlal Desai, an Indian Gujarati language writer.*
- **1895:** *A very skilled and mature writer on philosophical and spiritual subjects, J. Krishnamurti was born.*
- **1924:** *Sheik Chinna Moulana, a legendary nadhaswaram player in the Carnatic tradition.*
- **1926:** *Viren J Shah, 21st Governor of West Bengal, was born.*
- **1945:** *K. G. Balakrishnan, the former Chief Justice of India.*
- **1954:** *Politician and 13th Chief Minister of Tamil Nadu K. Palaniswami was born.*