

# Current Affairs

May 15

1. Putin wants 3 things from Xi as he seeks to deepen Russia-China ties, analyst says *Source: CNBC*  
<https://www.cnbc.com/2024/05/15/putin-xi-meeting-russia-wants-3-things-from-china-says-fpri.html>
2. US is 'Hurting Itself': Washington Threatens Sanctions Against India in Response to Iran Deal *Source: Sputnik*  
[https://sputnikglobe.com/20240515/us-is-hurting-itself-washington-threatens-sanctions-against-india-in-response-to-iran-deal-1118437440.html#:~:text=2928%3A1843\\_1920x0\\_80\\_0\\_0\\_20f2fb1bbc67b3cdeeff33f83d85eb93.jpg-,During%20a%20US%20State%20Department%20briefing%20on%20Monday%2C%20US%20spokesperson,and%20operate%20the%20Chabahar%20port.](https://sputnikglobe.com/20240515/us-is-hurting-itself-washington-threatens-sanctions-against-india-in-response-to-iran-deal-1118437440.html#:~:text=2928%3A1843_1920x0_80_0_0_20f2fb1bbc67b3cdeeff33f83d85eb93.jpg-,During%20a%20US%20State%20Department%20briefing%20on%20Monday%2C%20US%20spokesperson,and%20operate%20the%20Chabahar%20port.)
3. North Korean Crypto Hacks Total \$3.6 Billion, UN Reports *Source: The Crypto Times*  
<https://www.cryptotimes.io/2024/05/15/north-korean-crypto-hacks-total-3-6-billion-un-reports/>
4. Understanding the Relationship Between Treasuries and Inflation in Today's Economy *Source: The Global Treasurer*  
<https://www.theglobaltreasurer.com/2024/05/15/understanding-the-relationship-between-treasuries-and-inflation-in-todays-economy/>
5. Indian Courts Came To Be Re-imagined As Democratic Spaces, Not As Imposing Empires : CJI DY Chandrachud At J20 Summit In Brazil *Source: LiveLaw*  
<https://www.livelaw.in/top-stories/indian-courts-came-to-be-re-imagined-as-democratic-spaces-not-as-imposing-empires-cji-dy-chandrachud-at-j20-summit-in-brazil-257948>
6. Autonomous vehicle: Renault Group to soon launch an ambitious level 4 offer for public transportation *Source: Renault Group*  
<https://media.renaultgroup.com/autonomous-vehicle-renault-group-to-soon-launch-an-ambitious-level-4-offer-for-public-transportation/?lang=eng>
7. Top Biden aide Sullivan to visit Israel for talks on Saudi ties, Rafah — official *Source: The Times of Israel*  
<https://www.timesofisrael.com/top-biden-aide-sullivan-to-visit-israel-for-talks-on-saudi-ties-rafah-official/>
8. New Book "Enough Is Enough!" Challenges the Status Quo of American Education *Source: Ein Presswire*  
<https://www.wate.com/business/press-releases/ein-presswire/711615893/new-book-enough-is-enough-challenges-the-status-quo-of-american-education/>
9. Scientists attempt to recreate 50,000-year-old ancient 'herpes' viruses *Source: WION*  
<https://www.wionews.com/science/scientists-attempt-to-recreate-50000-year-old-ancient-herpes-viruses-721541>
10. Taiwan calls for inclusion in WHO meetings for 'Health for All' *Source: TOI*  
<https://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/world/south-asia/taiwan-calls-for-inclusion-in-who-meetings-for-health-for-all/articleshow/110132026.cms>

# Today In *History*

## *Find Out What happened On May 15*

### Important events of May 15

- *International Day Of Families*
- **1610:** *The Parliament of Paris appointed Louis XIII as King of France.*
- **1718:** *The world's first machine gun was patented by James Puckle.*
- **1729:** *Khanderao Dabhade, great warrior in Maratha kingdom, passed away.*
- **1730:** *Robert Walpole became the first Prime Minister of the United Kingdom.*
- **1796:** *French troops captured Milan.*
- **1811:** *Paraguay declared independence from Spain.*
- **1817:** *Maharshi Devendranath Tagore, Bengali social reformer and father of Rabindranath Tagore, was born.*
- **1836:** *Francis Bailey, a scientist, first observed the Belize beads that appear before the eclipse of the solar eclipse.*
- **1864:** *Mahavirprasad Dwivedi, famous Hindi litterateur, poet, writer and editor, was born at Daulatpur village in UP.*
- **1873:** *The proposal to dissolve the East India Company was passed in England.*
- **1878:** *Sivnath Shastri and Ananda Mohan Bose, under the leadership of the younger group of Brahmo Sama rebelled and started Sadharan Brahmo Samaj.*
- **1889:** *The official inauguration of the Eiffel Tower was on this day, the opening day of the Exposition Universelle.*
- **1905:** *Las Vegas was established in Nevada, America.*
- **1918:** *The first air mail service in America started.*
- **1928:** *Walt Disney character Mickey Mouse premiered in his first cartoon, "Plane Crazy".*
- **1930:** *The world's first air hostess, Ellen Church, flew on the Auckland-Chicago flight.*
- **1925:** *The first Arabic communist newspaper was started.*
- **1935:** *The Moscow Metro was opened to the public.*
- **1940:** *Richard and Maurice McDonald opened the first McDonald's restaurant.*

- **1948:** *Australia created the world record of scoring 721 runs in one day in a cricket match against Essex.*
- **1949:** *Matsya Union formally merged with Greater Rajasthan.*
- **1957:** *The British Ministry of Supply announced that the first hydrogen bomb was tested as part of a series of tests in the Pacific Ocean.*
- **1958:** *The Soviet Union launched Sputnik-3.*
- **1958:** *Aruna Asaf Ali became the Mayor of Delhi.*
- **1958:** *Gift Tax Act was introduced.*
- **1974:** *On this day, 16 teenage girls held hostage in an Israeli school died. Along with them, three Palestinians were also killed.*
- **1989:** *NAL's 0.6 m transonic wind tunnel is commissioned. Total project cost is about Rs 20 million.*
- **1992:** *BSE closed.*
- **1992:** *CBI begins probe into the security scam.*
- **1992:** *Harshad Mehta suspended.*
- **1993:** *K.M. Cariappa, field marshal and Major General, passed away at the age of 93.*
- **1993:** *United Nations decided to celebrate May 15 as International Family Day.*
- **1995:** *PM Rao reaches New York for a week-long visit.*
- **1995:** *China conducted a nuclear test at Lop Nor, PRC.*
- **1995:** *Alison Hargreaves became the first woman to reach the summit of Everest without oxygen cylinder.*
- **1996:** *The 11th Lok Sabha constituted as Election Commission submits a list of 534 successful candidates to President.*
- **1997:** *Yaseen Malik, All-Party Hurriyat Conference leader, was released from Tihar jail.*
- **1998:** *The Indian Army at Chandilora (Tangmey) captured 15 kg charas, 400 gm dust of charas and 12 kg leaves of charas.*
- **1998:** *Pandit Ravi Shankar, Sitar maestro, receives the 1998 Polar music award.*
- **1998:** *The Soviet Union started withdrawing its 1 lakh 15 thousand soldiers from Afghanistan.*
- **1999:** *The Kuwaiti government granted women the right to vote in parliamentary elections.*
- **1999:** *Militants gun down Abdul Ahad Kar, a senior member of the Jammu and Kashmir Assembly belonging to the ruling National Conference, in Kupwara district.*
- **1999:** *The BJP and at least 13 of its allies rename themselves the National Democratic Alliance.*
- **2000:** *Ghulam Hassan Bhat, Jammu and Kashmir Minister of State for Power, dies in a powerful IED explosion near Mandipore in Anantnag.*
- **2001:** *Right wing coalition gets majority in Italy.*
- **2002:** *The United Nations Security Council approved sanctions on Iraq.*
- **2003:** *a war-related suit was filed in a Brussels court against Tommy Franks, commander of US forces in the Iraq War.*

- **2004:** *'Arsenal Football Club' became the first team to become champion in the English Premier League without losing a single match.*
- **2005:** *After 20 years, an Indian plane landed in Canada.*
- **2008:** *The Sri Lankan government extended the ban on the terrorist organization LTTE for two years. Indian-origin Manjula Sood became the first Asian woman to become a mayor in Britain.*
- **2008:** *California became the second US state after Massachusetts to legalize gay marriage.*
- **2013:** *In Iraq, 389 people died in violence for about three days.*

### **Famous People born on May 15**

- **1817:** *Debendranath Tagore, a Hindu philosopher, and religious reformer.*
- **1859:** *Pierre Curie, a French physicist.*
- **1892:** *Indian politician and former Governor of Madhya Pradesh Hari Vinayak Pataskar was born.*
- **1926:** *Mahendra Nath Mulla, one of the brave officers of the Indian Navy, was born.*
- **1987:** *Andy Murray, a British professional tennis player from Scotland.*
- **1993:** *Former Chief Election Commissioner of India T. N. Seshan was born.*