

# Current Affairs

May 31

1. France bans Israel firms from upcoming defence fair *Source: daily Sun*

<https://www.daily-sun.com/post/750878>

2. Germany says Ukraine can use its weapons to strike Russian territory *Source: Euronews*

<https://www.euronews.com/my-europe/2024/05/31/germany-says-ukraine-can-use-its-weapons-against-russia>

3. RBI moves 1 lakh kg of gold from UK back to India, first such move of this quantum since 1991 *Source: The Economic Times*

<https://economictimes.indiatimes.com/news/economy/indicators/rbi-moves-1-lakh-kg-of-gold-from-uk-back-to-india-first-such-move-of-this-quantum-since-1991/articleshow/110581597.cms?from=mdr>

4. Wall Street Billionaires Are Rushing to Back Trump, Verdict Be Damned *Source: bloomberg*

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/features/2024-05-31/billionaires-back-trump-despite-guilty-verdict-in-hush-money-trial?srnd=undefined>

5. Taiwan prepared for 'ro-ro threat,' researcher says *Source: Taipei Times*

<https://www.taipetimes.com/News/taiwan/archives/2024/05/30/2003818622>

6. Fossil of saber-toothed cat found on Texas Coast, UT researchers say *Source: Kxan*

<https://www.kxan.com/news/fossil-of-saber-toothed-cat-found-on-texas-coast-ut-researchers-say/>

7. Simulations Yield New Intermediate Mass Black Holes Recipe *Source: National Astronomical Observatory of Japan* <https://www.nao.ac.jp/en/news/science/2024/20240531-cfca.html>

8. People are altering decomposition rates in waterways *Source: University of Georgia*

<https://news.uga.edu/people-are-altering-decomposition-rates-in-waterways/#:~:text=Humans%20may%20be%20accelerating%20the,University%20and%20Kent%20State%20University.>

9. EU watchdog green lights first vaccine against Chikungunya *Source: MedicalXpress*

<https://medicalxpress.com/news/2024-05-eu-watchdog-green-vaccine-chikungunya.html>

10. Cash Deposits During Demonetization Can't Be Treated As Unexplained Without Rejecting Books Of A/C: Delhi ITAT *Source: LiveLaw*

<https://www.livelaw.in/tax-cases/delhi-itat-unexplained-cash-deposit-demonetization-books-of-account-259344>

# Today In History

## *Find Out What happened On May 31*

### Important events of May 31

- *World No Tobacco Day*
- **1727:** France, Britain and the Netherlands signed the Treaty of Paris.
- **1759:** All theater programmes were banned in Pennsylvania, the northeastern state of America.
- **1774:** The first postal service office was opened in India.
- **1867:** Prarthana Samaj was established in Bombay.
- **1878:** The US Congress reduced the circulation of the dollar.
- **1910:** South African independence.
- **1921:** The flag of the Indian National Congress was adopted.
- **1929:** The first Mickey Mouse talking cartoon, The Karnival Kid, was released.
- **1942:** World War II – Japanese submarines began a series of attacks on Sydney.
- **1952:** Establishment of Sangeet Natak Academy in India.
- **1957:** Famous American playwright Arthur Miller was found guilty of contempt.
- **1959:** Buddhist spiritual leader Dalai Lama was given refuge in India after his exile from Tibet.
- **1961:** South Africa became a republic.
- **1964:** The electric tram last ran in Bombay.
- **1966:** a 17-year-old girl set herself on fire in protest against the regime in South Vietnam.
- **1970:** A magnitude 7.9 earthquake shook Peru, killing at least 70,000 people and injuring 50,000 others.
- **1985:** The Football Association banned English clubs from playing in Europe.
- **1990:** Lenin International Peace Prize awarded to Nelson Mandela.
- **1994:** South Africa became the 109th member nation of the Non-Aligned Movement.
- **1996:** Benjamin Netanyahu was elected the new Prime Minister of Israel.
- **1999:** Adolf Tutor was elected President of the Slovak Republic.
- **1999:** Krishna Prasad Bhattarai was sworn in as the Prime Minister of Nepal.
- **2001:** The Commonwealth summit of former Soviet countries was held in Minsk (Belarus).
- **2007:** Sepp Blatter became President of the International Football Federation for the third time.
- **2008:** Government oil companies increased the price of aviation fuel (ATF) by 18.5%.
- **2008:** In the absence of formal documents, former Pakistan minister Ansar Burney returned to Pakistan from New Delhi airport.
- **2010:** A law was made in 2010 to reserve 25 percent seats for poor children in every recognized private school in India.

### **Famous People born on May 31**

- 1577:** *Noorjahan, wife of Mughal emperor Jahangir, was born.*
- 1683:** *Jean-Pierre Christin, a French physicist, mathematician, astronomer, and musician.*
- 1725:** *Ahilyabai Holkar, the hereditary noble Sardar of the Maratha Empire.*
- 1921:** *Suresh Hariprasad Joshi, an Indian novelist, short-story writer, literary critic, poet, translator, editor, and academic in the Gujarati language.*
- 1925:** *Raj Khosla, one of the top directors, producers and screenwriters in Hindi films, was born.*
- 1942:** *Outlook founder and famous journalist Vinod Mehta was born.*