

Current Affairs

June 15

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2. Sunak: Ukraine loan 'historic breakthrough' for G7 *Source: ITN.co.uk*
<https://www.itn.co.uk/news/sunak-ukraine-loan-historic-breakthrough-g7-0>
3. India Doesn't Recognise G7 Sanctions: Experts on Japan's Threat *Source: Sputnik*
<https://sputniknews.in/20240614/india-doesnt-recognise-g7-sanctions-experts-on-japans-threat-7625123.html#:~:text=India%20Doesn't%20Recognise%20G7%20Sanctions%3A%20Experts%20on%20Japan's%20Threat,-21%3A28%2014.06&text=A%20new%20round%20of%20G7,China%2C%20India%20and%20the%20UAE.>
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<https://www.thestar.com.my/news/world/2024/06/15/pentagon-ran-secret-anti-vax-campaign-to-undermine-china-during-pandemic>
5. North Korea building roads, walls inside Demilitarized Zone: Yonhap *Source: rfi.fr*
<https://www.rfi.fr/en/international-news/20240615-north-korea-building-roads-walls-inside-demilitarized-zone-yonhap>
6. Insights into the evolution of bird song *Source: Massey University of New Zealand*
<https://sites.massey.ac.nz/rangahau2018/insights-into-the-evolution-of-bird-song/>
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<https://www.swansea.ac.uk/press-office/news-events/news/2024/06/sharks-have-depleted-functional-diversity-compared-to-the-last-66-million-years.php#:~:text=New%20research%20by%20Swansea%20University,value%20in%20the%20present%20day.>
8. New method links graphene nanolayers for tougher, elastic films *Source: Love Graphene*
<https://www.lovegraphene.com/new-method-links-graphene-nanolayers-for-tougher-elastic-films/>
9. Novel photocatalyst enables efficient ester reduction with blue light *Source: AimWeb*
<https://aimweb.pl/novel-photocatalyst-enables-efficient-ester-reduction-with-blue-light/>
10. Judiciary During Coalition Government : Potential Changes In Power Dynamics *Source: LiveLaw*
<https://www.livelaw.in/articles/judiciary-during-coalition-government-potential-changes-supreme-court-narendra-modi-nda-judicial-independence-260594>

Today In History

Find Out What happened On June 15

Important events of June 15

- *Global Wind Day*
- **1215:** King John of England signed the Magna Carta.
- **1381:** The English peasant revolt was crushed in London.
- **1389:** The Ottoman Empire defeated the Servants and Bosnians in the Battle of Kosovo.
- **1659:** Aurangzeb declared as the Emperor at Delhi.
- **1667:** Dr. Jean-Baptiste Denys conducted the first-ever human blood transfusion. He was a physician of King Louis XIV of France.
- **1752:** Benjamin Franklin proved that light is an electromagnetic wave.
- **1762:** The circulation of paper currency started in Austria.
- **1775:** In the American War of Independence, George Washington was made the commander of the Continental Army.
- **1776:** The first human blood transfusion was done by Dr. Jean-Baptiste Denys.
- **1785:** In the world's first air accident, two French citizens flying in a balloon died.
- **1836:** Arkansas became the 25th state of America.
- **1844:** Charles Gutier patented the process of vulcanization of rubber.
- **1846:** The United States and Britain signed a treaty regarding the border dispute between America and Canada.
- **1866:** Prussia invaded Austria.
- **1896:** 27 thousand people died due to the tsunami during the Sento festival on the coast of Japan.
- **1899:** Roy Chowdhury Devipasad, modern Indian sculptor and painter, was born.
- **1907:** Narayan Ganesh Goray, freedom fighter and socialist, was born at Hindala (Maharashtra).
- **1908:** Stock Exchange of Calcutta was opened by Baldeodas Daduawala and Overened.
- **1909:** Representatives of England, South Africa and Australia met at Lord's to form the Imperial Cricket Concern.
- **1916:** President Woodrow Wilson signed the National Charter that led to the creation of Boy Scouts of America.
- **1917:** Great Britain resolved to leave all the areas occupied during the Easter Rebellion of 1916.
- **1937:** Kumar Shri Indrajitsinhji, cricketer (Indian keeper in 60's), was born in Jamnagar.
- **1947:** The All India Congress accepted the British plan for the partition of India in New Delhi.
- **1948:** Rajah Annamalai Chettiar, famous musician, social worker and Governor of the Imperial Bank of India, passed away.
- **1949:** Ulloor S. Parmeswara Iyer, famous poet, writer, editor and literature, died. He was 72.
- **1953:** Internal Air Route Corporation of India was established.

- 1954:** *On this day, Europe's football organization UEFA (Union of European Football Association) was formed.*
- 1960:** *Burdwan University was established in West Bengal.*
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- 1962:** *South Africa passed a bill providing the death penalty for many crimes.*
- 1966:** *U.S. resumes full economic aid to India and Pakistan.*
- 1969:** *Dr. Darashaw Noshewan Wadia, great pioneer in Indian Geology and professor in development of geo-scientific research in the country, passed away at New Delhi at the age of 86.*
- 1971:** *Britain's then Education Minister Margaret Thatcher proposed to end the scheme of providing free milk to children in schools.*
- 1977:** *Spain held free elections after 40 years.*
- 1981:** *Supreme Court rules that all children are entitled to public education regardless of citizenship.*
- 1982:** *Argentine forces surrender to British forces in Falklands.*
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- 1986:** *K. K. Tarapore, cricketer (Test for India 1948), was killed in a motor-scooter accident.*
- 1988:** *Dalai Lama recognized the rights of China in foreign affairs and Army Operations in Tibet region.*
- 1988:** *NASA launches space vehicle S-213.*
- 1990:** *Punjab Government returned gold and other valuables seized from Golden Temple during the 1984 Blue Star operation to SGPC.*
- 1991:** *About 50% of the 180.3 million electorate cast their votes in the final phase of Lok Sabha elections.*
- 1991:** *General Election (10th) of India ends. In this election Indian National Congress won.*
- 1993:** *PM Narasimha Rao visits Oman; India and Oman decide to give each other MFN status.*
- 1997:** *Eight Muslim countries form an organization called D-8 in Istanbul.*
- 1999:** *US gives permission to prosecute Libya for Lockerbie Pan Am plane crash.*
- 2001:** *Shanghai-Five summit held in Beijing, Shanghai Five now becomes Shanghai Cooperation Organization, decision taken in 2001 to not give membership to both India and Pakistan.*
- 2002:** *The meeting of finance ministers of G-8 countries started in Halifax (Nova Scotia), Canada.*
- 2004:** *Nuclear cooperation with Britain received President Bush's approval. Former US President Bill Clinton's autobiography 'My Life' became a bestseller.*
- 2005:** *Jamaica's Asafa Powell set a new world record in 100 meter sprint in Athens by taking 8.77 seconds.*
- 2006:** *India and China decided to open the old Silk Route in 2006.*
- 2008:** *Scientists of Oxford University observed the final state of big stars for the first time by exploding ultraviolet light.*
- 2012:** *Nik Wallenda completed the tightrope walk over Niagara Falls and became the first man to achieve this feat.*

Famous People born on June 15

- 1899:** *Padma Bhushan awarded famous painter and sculptor Devi Prasad Rai Chaudhary was born.*
- 1912:** *Famous writer Sriman Narayan Agarwal was born.*
- 1927:** *Ibn-e-Insha, an Indo-Pakistani Urdu poet, humorist, travelog writer, and newspaper columnist.*

- 1937:** *Anna Hazare, an Indian social activist.*
- 1950:** *Lakshmi Mittal, an Indian steel magnate.*
- 1953:** *Xi Jinping, President of the People's Republic of China.*