

Current Affairs

June 16

1. Iran, Sweden free prisoners in Oman-mediated swap *Source: [hurriyetDailyNews](https://www.hurriyetdailynews.com/iran-sweden-free-prisoners-in-oman-mediated-swap-197510)*
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2. Russia overtook US as gas supplier to Europe in May *Source: [Financial Times](https://www.ft.com/content/15e7b892-c4f3-45b8-b375-80ef52e4b83c)*
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3. 80 Countries Back Ukraine's 'Territorial Integrity' At Swiss Peace Summit *Source: [Radio Free Europe](https://www.rferl.org/a/ukraine-swiss-peace-summit-/32994896.html)*
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4. Taliban agree to attend UN-hosted 3rd Doha meeting on Afghanistan *Source: [Voice of America](https://www.voanews.com/a/taliban-agree-to-attend-un-hosted-3rd-doha-meeting-on-afghanistan-/7657895.html)*
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5. Norway Gives \$103mn To Ukraine To Secure Electricity *Source: [BARRON'S](https://www.barrons.com/news/norway-gives-103mn-to-ukraine-to-secure-electricity-20997a7e)*
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6. Pakistan to Raise Power Prices in Key Move to Secure IMF Loan *Source: [BNN Bloomberg](https://www.bnnbloomberg.ca/pakistan-to-raise-power-prices-in-key-move-to-secure-imf-loan-1.2085790)*
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7. Have days on Earth always been 24 hours? *Source: [LiveScience](https://www.livescience.com/planet-earth/have-days-on-earth-always-been-24-hours)*
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8. Chinese Biotechs Targeted by BIOSECURE Act Rise after House Committee Setback *Source: [Genetic Engineering & Biotechnology News](https://www.genengnews.com/topics/drug-discovery/stockwatch-chinese-biotechs-targeted-by-biosecure-act-rise-after-house-committee-setback/)*
<https://www.genengnews.com/topics/drug-discovery/stockwatch-chinese-biotechs-targeted-by-biosecure-act-rise-after-house-committee-setback/>
9. Unearthing Ancient Secrets: Tracing Indian Rich Past Through Interesting Archaeological Finds *Source: [The Free Press Journal](https://www.freepressjournal.in/lifestyle/unearthing-ancient-secrets-tracing-indian-rich-past-through-interesting-archaeological-finds)*
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10. New Criminal Laws Will Take Effect From July 1 : Union Law Minister *Source: [LiveLaw](https://www.livelaw.in/top-stories/new-criminal-laws-will-take-effect-from-july-1-union-law-minister-260630)*
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Today In *History*

Find Out What happened On June 16

Important events of June 16

- *Day of the African Child*
 - *Youth Day: South Africa*
 - *International Day of Unity*
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- **1606:** During the reign of Jahangir, Guru Arjun Dev was tortured and killed in Lahore (Pakistan).
 - **1779:** Spain started a war against Britain.
 - **1815:** Napoleon defeated Prussia in the Battle of Ligny in the Netherlands.
 - **1857:** The Battle of Morar ends.
 - **1858:** The Battle of Morar was fought during the First Indian War of Independence.
 - **1881:** Austria and Hungary signed a military treaty with Serbia.
 - **1884:** The first roller coaster in the USA opened at Coney Island, New York. It was named Switchback Railway.
 - **1890:** The second Madison Square Garden in America was opened.
 - **1903:** Roald Amundsen of Norway discovered a sea route connecting the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans across the islands of Canada. This route is called the Northwest Passage.
 - **1903:** Ford Motor Company was started.
 - **1911:** IBM company was established in New York. Earlier its name was Computing-Tabulating-Recording Company.
 - **1923:** Yakut rebellion in Siberia and Russian Civil War ended.
 - **1924:** Whampoa Military Academy was established in China.
 - **1924:** In the first test against England at Edgbaston, the entire South African team was out for just 30 runs in the first innings. England won the match by an innings and 18 runs.
 - **1946:** Indian leaders were invited to London to form an interim government.
 - **1963:** 26-year-old Russian woman Lieutenant Valentina Tereshkova was the first woman in the world to fly to space.
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- **1976:** In Toyota, South Africa, ten thousand black school students demonstrated for about half a mile against their poor quality education and for the right to speak in their own language. In this, more than a hundred students were shot and more than a thousand were injured.
 - **1979:** Muslim Brotherhood killed 62 Sheikhs in Syria.
 - **1983:** Guru Ghasidas University of Chhattisgarh was established.
 - **1997:** 50 people died in the massacre in Algeria.
 - **1999:** Thabo Mbeki was elected the second President of South Africa.
 - **2001:** US President Bush's five-day Europe tour ended in Russia, Putin opposed the US missile program.

- 2006:** Maoists agreed to join the interim government in Nepal.
- 2007:** Sunita Williams became the woman who spent the longest time continuously in space.
- 2007:** Shilpa was awarded the Silver Star Award for spreading awareness on AIDS.
- 2008:** A panel of Uttar Pradesh State Finance Ministries agreed on reduction of sales tax on petroleum fuels.
- 2008:** Famous poet Wasim Barelvi was awarded the first Firaq Gorakhpuri Award.
- 2008:** ArcelorMittal, the world's largest steel manufacturing company, acquired American company Bamboo Steel.
- 2008:** Prominent Maoist leader Pushpa Kamal Dahal alias Prachanda was awarded the Doctor Dilli Raman Regmi National Peace Award, the highest honor given in the field of peace in Nepal.
- 2008:** Gay couples were given license to marry in California.
- 2010:** Bhutan parliament adopted the Tobacco Control Act that made this country the first one to impose a total ban on tobacco.
- 2012:** China launched spacecraft Shenzhou 9.
- 2012:** United States Air Force robotic Boeing X-37B space plane returned to Earth after completing its mission.
- 2012:** 32 people were killed in a car bomb explosion in Iraq's capital Baghdad.
- 2012:** Multinational soft drink company Coca Cola started business in Myanmar after 60 years.
- 2012:** 30 people died and 15 were injured when a bus fell into a ditch in Osmanabad, Maharashtra.
- 2013:** 20 people were killed in a series of bomb blasts in Iraq.

Famous People born on June 16

- 1910:** Freedom fighter, politician and former Governor of Orissa and Madhya Pradesh C.M. Poonacha was born.
- 1920:** Mahmood Ali Khan, one of the famous politicians of India and former Governor of Madhya Pradesh, was born.
- 1920:** Hindi film playback singer and music composer Hemant Kumar was born.
- 1920:** Jose Lopez Portillo was born and was the President of Mexico.
- 1924:** Idris Shah, an author, and teacher in the Sufi tradition.
- 1931:** Dr. Brahmadev Sharma was born in 1931 and was an officer of the Indian Administrative Service (IAS).
- 1936:** Akhlaq Mohammad Khan, an Indian academician and Urdu poet.
- 1956:** Famous litterateur Suresh Kant was born in 1956.

