

# Current Affairs

June 26

1. Fazl for reconciliation process for political stability, economic prosperity *Source: **Associated Press of Pakistan***

<https://www.app.com.pk/national/fazl-for-reconciliation-process-for-political-stability-economic-prosperity/>

2. Readout of Secretary of Defense Lloyd J. Austin III's Meeting With Israeli Minister of Defense Yoav Gallant *Source: **U.S. Department of Defense***

<https://www.defense.gov/News/Releases/Release/Article/3817253/readout-of-secretary-of-defense-loyd-j-austin-iiis-meeting-with-israeli-minist/#:~:text=Secretary%20of%20Defense%20Lloyd%20J.%20Austin%20III%20met%20with%20Israeli,supported%20attacks%20against%20Israel%20and>

3. Houthi Actions Threaten International Humanitarian Activities in Yemen *Source: **South24***

<https://south24.org/news/newse.php?nid=4038>

4. Julian Assange pleads guilty in court on US Pacific island *Source: **BBC***

<https://www.bbc.com/news/articles/crggyvp0j9o>

5. Russia sends coal to India via Iran by train for 1st time *Source: **Tehran Times***

<https://www.tehrantimes.com/news/500308/Russia-sends-coal-to-India-via-Iran-by-train-for-1st-time#:~:text=TEHRAN%20-%20Russia%20has%20for%20the,by%20Russia's%20national%20railway%20company.>

6. Yen Slides to Weakest Since 1986, Raising Risk of Intervention *Source: **Bloomberg***

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-06-26/yen-weakens-beyond-key-160-level-raising-risk-of-intervention?srnd=markets-vp>

7. Insect Olympic Feats Astonish Biologists *Source: **Creation Evolution***

<https://crev.info/2024/06/insect-olympic-feats-astonish-biologists/>

8. U of T researchers develop RNA-targeting technology for precisely manipulating parts of human genes

*Source: **Donnelley Centre***

<https://thedonnelleycentre.utoronto.ca/news/u-t-researchers-develop-rna-targeting-technology-precisely-manipulating-parts-human-genes#:~:text=Researchers%20at%20the%20University%20of,the%20process%20of%20RNA%20splicing.>

9. The plants you need to keep bees on a healthy diet have been revealed *Source: **frontiers***

<https://www.frontiersin.org/news/2024/06/26/plants-bees-healthy-diet-sustainable-food>

10. District Admin Srinagar Puts J&K High Court Bar Association's Kashmir Elections On Hold Due To Security Concerns *Source: **LiveLaw***

<https://www.livelaw.in/news-updates/district-admin-srinagar-puts-jk-high-court-bar-association-kashmir-elections-on-hold-due-to-security-concerns-261453>

## Today In History

### *Find Out What happened On June 26*

#### **Important events of June 26**

- *International Day against Drug Abuse and Illicit Trafficking & International Day in Support of Victims of Torture*
- **1498:** *The first toothbrush was made in China in 1498. The first model of the modern toothbrush was patented by a Chinese king.*
- **1714:** *Spain and the Netherlands signed a trade and peace agreement.*
- **1888:** *Narayan Shripad Rajhans (Balgandharv), famous singer and actor, was born.*
- **1888:** *Ghanshyam Das Birla, great freedom fighter and social reformer, was born at Pilani.*
- **1894:** *Carl Benz of Germany obtained a US patent for a gas-powered auto.*
- **1906:** *M.P. Sivagnanam, famous Tamil writer and social worker, was born at Madras.*
- **1906:** *The first Grand Prix was held. The competition lasted for 12 hours.*
- **1906:** *First ever Grand Prix motor race was held at the Le Mans circuit of France.*
- **1909:** *The Victoria and Albert Museum opened in London.*
- **1919:** *Publication of New York Daily News began in America.*
- **1927:** *Dialogue cinema began its life. Since the beginning of film production, there has been a constant effort to make films that also have dialogues.*
- **1941:** *During World War II, Finland opened a front against Russia.*
- **1945:** *50 countries signed the United Nations Charter in San Francisco.*
- **1949:** *Women got the right to vote for the first time in the Belgian parliamentary elections.*
- **1952:** *Nelson Mandela and 51 others violated curfew in South Africa.*
- **1954:** *Nehru, Chou En-lai pledge good-neighbor policy at New Delhi.*
- **1955:** *Poland and India affirm Panchsheel.*
- **1960:** *The French colony of Madagascar gained independence. Every year this day is celebrated as National Day in this country.*
- **1963:** *US President John F. Kennedy addressed a huge crowd in the West German city of Berlin. He described Berlin as a major strategic hub during the Cold War.*
- **1974:** *Rajarshi Shahu Chhatrapati, great revolutionary freedom fighter and social reformer, was born.*
- **1975:** *Chaudhary Charan Singh, freedom fighter and Chief Minister of UP, arrested by Government.*
- **1977:** *Elvis Presley performed the last concert of his life in Indiana, USA.*
- **1979:** *Boxer Muhammad Ali retired.*
- **1982:** *First Boeing 707 of Air India 'Gaurishankar' crashed at Sahar Airport (Bombay).*
- **1983:** *Five hundred killed or missing as monsoon floods hit the Indian state of Gujarat.*
- **1991:** *Sharad Pawar joins the Union Cabinet as Defence Minister.*

- 1992:** *The Tin Bigha corridor leased to Bangladesh as per the Indo-Bangladesh agreement.*
- 1994:** *PLO leader Yasser Arafat returned to Gaza after 27 years.*
- 1995:** *Madhya Pradesh declared "Tiger State" as it houses one sixth of the world's tiger population.*
- 1997:** *India declares its chemical weapon stockpiles and storage facilities as part of its obligations as signatory to the Chemical Weapons Convention.*
- 1997:** *The first book of the Harry Potter series, Harry Potter and the Philosopher's Stone, was first published.*
- 1999:** *The World Science Conference started in Budapest (Hungary).*
- 2000:** *P Bandopadhyay became the first woman Air Commodore in the Air Force.*
- 2000:** *Bangladesh was granted Test status by the International Cricket Council.*
- 2004:** *After the resignation of Pakistan Prime Minister Jamali, Shujaat Hussain became the new acting Prime Minister.*
- 2008:** *Multinational company Riorito acquired a mineral lease for diamond mining in Chhatarpur district in Bundelkhand region of Madhya Pradesh.*
- 2013:** *20 people were killed when a rescue helicopter crashed in Uttarakhand.*

### **Famous People born on June 26**

- 1254:** *Famous Italian sailor and tourist Marco Polo was born in Venice.*
- 1564:** *Sheikh Ahmed Sirhindi, ulama of Naqshbandi sect, was born.*
- 1838:** *Bankimchandra Chatterjee, an Indian novelist, poet, and journalist.*
- 1874:** *Shahu Maharaj, the first Maharaja of the Indian princely state of Kolhapur.*
- 1888:** *Bal Gandharva, the great hero of Marathi theater and famous singer, was born.*
- 1918:** *Second Lieutenant Rama Raghoba Rane, an Indian soldier awarded the Paramvir Chakra, was born.*
- 1946:** *Aruna Roy, an Indian political and social activist.*
- 1958:** *Suresh Gopi, an Indian actor, politician, playback singer, and television presenter.*