

# Current Affairs

July 19

1. North Korea leader Kim discusses military cooperation with Russian official, KCNA says *Source: Reuters*  
[https://www.reuters.com/world/north-korea-leader-kim-discusses-military-cooperation-with-russian-vice-defence-2024-07-18/#:~:text=SE%20L%2C%20July%2019%20\(Reuters\),news%20agency%20said%20on%20Friday.](https://www.reuters.com/world/north-korea-leader-kim-discusses-military-cooperation-with-russian-vice-defence-2024-07-18/#:~:text=SE%20L%2C%20July%2019%20(Reuters),news%20agency%20said%20on%20Friday.)
2. New Polish MEP Makes Headlines with Bold Criticism of Ursula von der Leyen *Source: Poland Daily 24*  
<https://polanddaily24.com/new-polish-mep-makes-headlines-with-bold-criticism-of-ursula-von-der-leyen/politics/44009>
3. India-US flight makes emergency landing in Siberia *Source: Big News Network*  
<https://www.bignewsnetwork.com/news/274461363/india-us-flight-makes-emergency-landing-in-siberia>
4. 2024 Election Latest: Obama, Pelosi and other top Democrats express concerns over Biden's candidacy *Source: abc news*  
<https://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/2024-election-latest-trump-speak-rnc-convention-enters-112058201>
5. Turning off inflammatory protein extends healthy lifespan in mice *Source: UK Research and Innovation*  
<https://www.ukri.org/news/turning-off-inflammatory-protein-extends-healthy-lifespan-in-mice/#:~:text=Scientists%20have%20discovered%20that%20turning,of%20mice%20by%20almost%2025%25.>
6. Soft, stretchy 'jelly batteries' inspired by electric eels *Source: University of Cambridge*  
<https://www.ch.cam.ac.uk/news/soft-stretchy-%E2%80%98jelly-batteries%E2%80%99-inspired-electric-eels>
7. Montana State researcher studies nano-scale materials that mimic enzymes to convert CO2 into chemical building blocks *Source: Montana State University*  
<https://www.montana.edu/news/23869/montana-state-researcher-studies-nano-scale-materials-that-mimic-enzymes-to-convert-co2-into-chemical-building-blocks>
8. Machine learning unlocks secrets to advanced alloys *Source: MIT News*  
<https://news.mit.edu/2024/machine-learning-unlocks-secrets-advanced-alloys-0718>
9. Forecasting May Help People with Epilepsy Predict Their Seizures *Source: University of California, San Francisco*  
<https://www.ucsf.edu/news/2024/07/428091/forecasting-may-help-people-epilepsy-predict-their-seizures>
10. Salesforce debuts Einstein Service Agent, a new AI Agent for customer self-service *Source: Venture Beat*  
<https://venturebeat.com/ai/salesforce-debuts-einstein-service-agent-a-new-ai-agent-for-customer-self-service/>

## Today In History

### *Find Out What happened On July 19*

#### Important events of July 19

- 1309:** Saint Visoba Khechar, was the yogi-guru of the Varkari poet-saint Namdev of Maharashtra, took Samadhi.
- 1333:** The Battle of Halidon Hill took place during the Scottish War of Independence in which the English won a decisive victory over the Scots.
- 1510:** 38 Jews were burnt alive in Berlin, Prussia.
- 1553:** 15-year-old Lady Jane Grey was deposed as Queen of England after nine days.
- 1702:** The Swedish army led by King Charles captured the city of Cracow in the Czech Republic.
- 1763:** The Nawab of Bengal Mir Qasim was badly defeated by the British army in the Battle of Katwa.
- 1832:** The British Medical Association was founded as the Provincial Medical and Surgical Association by Sir Charles Hastings at a meeting in the BoardRoom of the Worcester Infirmary.
- 1836:** Charles Darwin reached the city of Ascension in Mexico.
- 1848:** The first woman's rights convention was held in Seneca Falls, New York.
- 1864:** In the Taiping Rebellion, the Chinese Empire finally defeated Taiping in the Third Battle of Nanking.
- 1870:** France declared war against Prussia.
- 1900:** The first metro train ran in Paris, the capital of France. The world's first metro service had started in London.
- 1916:** In the Battle of Fromelles in the First World War, the British and Australian forces attacked the German army.
- 1925:** Dinesh Singh, freedom fighter and politician, was born at Kalakankar (U.P.).
- 1926:** In France, the second government was formed under the leadership of Edward Herriot.
- 1938:** Jayant Vishnu Narlikar, great Indian space scientist and mathematician, was born at Kolhapur, Maharashtra.
- 1940:** Adolf Hitler ordered Great Britain to surrender.
- 1941:** British Prime Minister Winston Churchill started the 'V for Victory' campaign.
- 1943:** During the Second World War, 500 allied forces invaded Rome.
- 1949:** Raja of Tehri Garhwal announces merger with Indian Union.
- 1969:** The Indian government nationalized 14 major commercial banks.
- 1952:** India all out 82 in 2nd innings after making 52 runs earlier in the day.
- 1955:** Roger Michael Humphery Binny, Indian medium-pace all-rounder early eighties, was born at Bangalore.
- 1961:** For the first time, a film was shown in an airplane.
- 1963:** Joy Walker became the first person to go to space via airplane.
- 1967:** America launched 'Explorer-35' to enter lunar orbit.

- 1969:** Apollo II astronauts Neil Armstrong and Edwin Aldrin stepped out of the spacecraft and walked in the orbit of the moon.
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- 1974:** The remains of Indian revolutionary Udham Singh were brought from London to New Delhi.
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- 1976:** Sagarmatha National Park in Nepal was created.
- 1979:** The people's revolution of Nicaragua was successful.
- 1987:** Rajiv Gandhi, Congress President, expels V.P. Singh from Congress and orders probe into Ajitabh Bachchan's property abroad.
- 1990:** Planning Commission decides to make changes in the Gadgil formula for central assistance to States in consultation with states.
- 1993:** Girilal Jain, senior journalist, passed away.
- 1994:** The Tamil Nadu Bill for continuance of the 69\% reservation policy in the state receives the President's assent.
- 1995:** An agreement was signed between Russia and the breakaway republic of Chechnya to grant it the status of a 'sovereign republic' within the Russian Federation.
- 1997:** The Irish Republican Army announced a ceasefire for the second time in three years, which was to come into effect from the afternoon of July 20.
- 1998:** The INSAT-2C satellite suffers ``disorientation" - loss of earth lock - briefly.
- 1998:** Tremors measuring 4.4 on the Richter scale rocked Maharashtra and Madhya Pradesh.
- 2000:** The Centre has no locus standi in Thackeray case, says the Prime Minister and rejects the resignations of Shiv Sena nominees in the Union Cabinet-- Manohar Joshi, Suresh Prabhu and Balasaheb Vikhe-Patil.
- 2001:** Nepal's Prime Minister Girija Prasad Koirala resigned from his post.
- 2001:** Import of 30 items including cards, lipstick, nail polish and chess has been banned in Afghanistan.
- 2003:** Russian cosmonaut Yuri Malei became the first person to get married in space.
- 2004:** After being postponed thrice, Ariane-5 took off from Kourou launch center in French Guiana carrying the world's largest telecommunication satellite.
- 2005:** Prime Minister Manmohan Singh addressed the US Congress.
- 2006:** 55 people including 3 Indians were killed in an Israeli attack in Lebanon.
- 2007:** Marine Corporal Trent Thomas, an American soldier in Iraq, was convicted of killing 11 disabled children.
- 2007:** Pratibha Patil became the First Woman President of India.
- 2008:** The US tested a long-range missile capable of hitting a target in the Pacific Ocean.

### **Famous People born on July 19**

- 1814:** Samuel Colt, who invented the revolver, was born.
- 1827:** Mangal Pandey, the pioneer of the freedom struggle, was born.
- 1863:** D. L. Ray, a Bengali poet, playwright, and musician.
- 1881:** Germany's Nobel Prize-winning famous chemist Hermann Ashtedinger was born.
- 1893:** Russia's famous poet Vladimir Mayakovsky was born.
- 1894:** Bengal's Muslim leader Khwaja Nazimuddin was born.
- 1896:** A. J. Cronin, a Scottish physician, and novelist.
- 1909:** Famous Malayalam poetess Nalapat Balamani Amma was born.
- 1922:** King of Malaysia Tuanku Jaafar ibni Almarhum Tuanku Abdul Rahman was born.

- 1925:** *Member of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 8th and 9th Lok Sabha Dinesh Singh was born.*
- 1938:** *Indian astrophysicist Jayant Narlikar was born.*
- 1948:** *Former 39th Chief Justice of India Altamas Kabir was born.*