

Current Affairs

August 16

1. Ukraine gambled on an incursion deep into Russian territory. The bold move changed the battlefield *Source:*

AP news

<https://apnews.com/article/russia-ukraine-war-kursk-incursion-gamble-battlefield-e862afd58c65d6d2d5b7b3747423ca4d>

2. Armenia Edits History Textbook After Russian Backlash *Source:* **azatutyun.am**

<https://www.azatutyun.am/a/33081494.html>

3. Israel expects UK, France to help hit Iran if Tehran attacks, Katz tells counterparts *Source:* **The Times of Israel**

<https://www.timesofisrael.com/israel-expects-uk-france-to-help-hit-iran-if-tehran-attacks-katz-tells-counterparts/>

4. Russian President Putin to Visit Azerbaijan August 18-19 *Source:* **Bloomberg**

<https://www.bloomberg.com/news/articles/2024-08-16/russian-president-putin-to-visit-azerbaijan-august-18-19>

5. Croatia to reintroduce compulsory military draft as regional tensions soar *Source:* **The Hindu**

<https://www.thehindu.com/news/international/croatia-to-reintroduce-compulsory-military-draft-as-regional-tensions-soar/article68534203.ece>

6. UN Asks Moscow for Access to Embroiled Border Regions *Source:* **The Moscow Times**

<https://www.themoscowtimes.com/2024/08/15/un-asks-moscow-for-access-to-embroiled-border-regions-a86031>

7. MIT engineers design tiny batteries for powering cell-sized robots *Source:* **MIT News**

<https://news.mit.edu/2024/mit-engineers-design-tiny-batteries-powering-cell-sized-robots-0815>

8. New Research Shows Unprecedented Atmospheric Changes During May's Geomagnetic Superstorm *Source:* **Environmental News Network**

<https://www.enn.com/articles/75087-new-research-shows-unprecedented-atmospheric-changes-during-may-s-geomagnetic-superstorm>

9. Rethinking the Dodo *Source:* **Carnegie Museum of Natural history**

<https://carnegiemnh.org/rethinking-the-dodo/>

10. Physicists Use Modeling to Forecast a Black Hole's Feeding Patterns with Precision *Source:* **Syracuse University**

<https://artsandsciences.syracuse.edu/news-all/news-2024/physicists-use-modeling-to-forecast-a-black-holes-feeding-patterns-with-precision/>

Today In *History*

Find Out What happened On August 16

Important events of August 16

- **1777:** America defeated Britain at the Battle of Bennington. *Source:* **Vermont State Historic Sites**
- **1858:** A telegraph message from Queen Victoria of Britain to the U.S. President James Buchanan was transmitted via the trans-Atlantic cable. *Source:* **Henry Ford Museum**
- **1913:** Tohoku Imperial University of Japan became the first university in Japan to admit female students. *Source:* **Tohoku University**
- **1946:** More than 5000 people were killed 72 hours in Riots in Kolkata, India. *Source:* **Sciences Po**
- **1960:** Cyprus got independence from the United Kingdom in 1960. This day is celebrated there as Independence Day. *Source:* **Republic of Turkey Ministry of Foreign Affairs**
- **1962:** Eight years after the remaining French Indian territories were handed to India, the ratifications of the treaty were exchanged to make the transfer official. *Source:* **National Portal of India**
- **1990:** Mid-air collision between two Sukhoi aircraft during exercise in Russia. *Source:* **SP's Aviation**
- **1996:** CBI raids house of former minister Sukh Ram and finds cash and jewelry of Rs. 3 crore. *Source:* **The Economic Times**
- **1997:** Bodo extremists kill 13 villagers in Nalbari district in Assam. *Source:* **RefWorld**
- **2012:** WikiLeaks founder Julian Assange was granted political asylum by Ecuador. *Source:* **The New York Times**