

# Current Affairs

August 22

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2. Flying Under the Radar: Unmasking Caspian Airlines Pilots Transporting Arms and Terrorists Across the Middle East *Source:* [Wikiran](https://www.wikiran.org/articles/83) <https://www.wikiran.org/articles/83>
3. Turkish intelligence nabs PKK's Finland 'ringleader' in Istanbul *Source:* [Daily Sabah](https://www.dailysabah.com/politics/war-on-terror/turkish-intelligence-nabs-pkks-finland-ringleader-in-istanbul)  
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4. Li, Mishustin chair meeting between Chinese, Russian heads of gov't, calling for stronger all-around practical cooperation *Source:* [The State Council The People's Republic of China](https://english.www.gov.cn/news/202408/21/content_WS66c5f1e4c6d0868f4e8ea222.html)  
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7. Russia, China to develop branch network of their banks *Source:* [TASS](https://tass.com/economy/1832505)  
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8. Fighting coastal erosion with electricity *Source:* [Northwestern University](https://news.northwestern.edu/stories/2024/august/fighting-coastal-erosion-with-electricity/)  
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9. New gels could protect buildings during wildfires *Source:* [Stanford University](https://news.stanford.edu/stories/2024/08/new-gels-could-protect-buildings-during-wildfires)  
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10. Catalyst for 'One-Step' Conversion of Methane to Methanol *Source:* [Brookhaven National Laboratory](https://www.bnl.gov/newsroom/news.php?a=122014)  
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# Today In *History*

## *Find Out What happened On August 22*

### Important events of August 22

- Madras Day (celebrated in Chennai, Tamil Nadu)
- **1762:** N. Franklin became the first female editor of the American newspaper, the Newport RI Mercury. *Source:* New England Historical Society
- **1639:** Madras city was founded by the British East India Company in India. *Source:* The Indian Express
- **1848:** America captured New Mexico. *Source:* Politico
- **1849:** Austria carried out the first air attack using unmanned balloons on the Italian city of Venice. *Source:* Monash University
- **1894:** Mahatma Gandhi formed the Natal Indian Congress (NIC) to fight discrimination against Indian traders in Natal. *Source:* The Caravan
- **1902:** Theodore Roosevelt became the first President of the United States to make a public appearance in an automobile. *Source:* Connecticut History
- **1910:** Japan annexed Korea in 1910 after protecting it for five years. *Source:* UCLA International Institute
- **1972:** Rhodesia was expelled by the IOC for its racist policies. *Source:* BBC
- **1991:** Iceland is the first nation in the world to recognize the independence of the Baltic States. *Source:* International Center for Defence and Security
- **2002:** SAARC Foreign Ministers' Conference held in Kathmandu in 2002, 16 people killed in an air crash in Nepal. *Source:* The Hindu