

Current Affairs

August 22

1. How Supreme Leader's "Approval" Got Votes for Pezeshkian's Nominees *Source: [IranWire](https://iranwire.com/en/politics/133127-how-supreme-leaders-approval-got-votes-for-pezeshkians-nominees/)*
<https://iranwire.com/en/politics/133127-how-supreme-leaders-approval-got-votes-for-pezeshkians-nominees/>
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)*
<https://www.dailysabah.com/politics/war-on-terror/turkish-intelligence-nabs-pkks-finland-ringleader-in-istanbul>
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)*
https://english.www.gov.cn/news/202408/21/content_WS66c5f1e4c6d0868f4e8ea222.html
5. PRIME Study Progress Update — Second Participant *Source: [Neuralink](https://neuralink.com/blog/prime-study-progress-update-second-participant/)*
<https://neuralink.com/blog/prime-study-progress-update-second-participant/>
6. Czech President Calls 'Fair Peace' Plan for Ukraine an Illusion *Source: [AROGED](https://www.aroged.com/2024/08/22/aroged-czech-president-calls-fair-peace-plan-for-ukraine-an-illusion/)*
<https://www.aroged.com/2024/08/22/aroged-czech-president-calls-fair-peace-plan-for-ukraine-an-illusion/>
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)*
<https://news.stanford.edu/stories/2024/08/new-gels-could-protect-buildings-during-wildfires>
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*