

IMPORTANT DAYS – MAY WITH REASONS AND THEME

Date	Event	Reasons And Theme
May 1, 2018	International Labour Day	International Labour Day is also known as the International Worker's Day and May Day which is celebrated on international level to promote and encourage the international labour associations. It is celebrated to finish the struggle as well as to promote the requirement of eight-hour work day. Deaths, injuries were very common at the workplace during the 1860's and working people were very agitated throughout the workday until the 8-hour workday was declared. - Theme : Uniting Workers for Social and Economic Advancement
May 2, 2018	International Scurvy Awareness Day	International Scurvy Awareness Day is celebrated on 2 May. Scurvy, a condition typified by tiredness, muscle weakness, joint and muscle aches, rash on the legs and bleeding gums, is caused by a lack of Vitamin C. Interestingly, Vitamin C, or ascorbic acid, got its name from 'scorbutus', the Latin name for scurvy.
May 3, 2018	World Press Freedom Day	World Press Day to raise awareness of the importance of freedom of the press and remind governments of their duty to respect and uphold the right to freedom of expression and marking the anniversary of the Windhoek Declaration
May 4, 2018	International FireFighters Day	International Firefighters' Day is observed on May 4. It was instituted on January 4, 1999 due to the deaths of five firefighters in tragic circumstances in a bushfire in Australia.

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May 8, 2018	World Red Cross Day	World Red Cross day means 8th of May is celebrated every year as the birthday anniversary of founder of the Red Cross. Henry Dunant was the founder of the Red Cross as well as the founder of International Committee of the Red Cross - Theme :- “Memorable smiles from around the world”.
May 11, 2018	National Technology Day	National Technology Day is observed every year on 11th of May in India, acting as a reminder of the anniversary of Shakti. Shakti is the Pokhran nuclear test which was held on 11th of May, 1998. The day highlights the important role of Science in our daily lives and encourages students to embrace Science as a career option. Theme : “Science and Technology for a sustainable future.”
May 12, 2018	International Nurses Day 2018	International Nurses Day (IND) is celebrated every year all around the world on 12th of May to commemorate the birth anniversary of the Florence Nightingale and to mark the nurses contributions towards people’s health. Theme – “Nurses a Voice to Lead – Health is a Human right”
May 12, 2018	World Migratory Bird Day	World Migratory Bird Day (WMBD) is an annual awareness-raising campaign highlighting the need for the conservation of migratory birds and their habitats. Theme – “Unifying our Voices for Birds Conservation”
May 13, 2018	Mothers Day	Mother's Day is a celebration honoring the mother of the family, as well as motherhood, maternal bonds, and the influence of mothers in society. It was initiated Ann Reeves Jarvis in the early 20th century. The U.S.-derived modern version of Mother's Day has been criticized for having become too commercialized. Founder Jarvis herself regretted this commercialism and expressed views on how that was never her intention.

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May 15, 2018	International Day of Families	To explore the role of families and family policies in advancing Sustainable Development Goal 16 in terms of Promoting peaceful and inclusive societies for sustainable development. Theme – “Families and inclusive societies”
May 18, 2018	World AIDS Vaccination day	It observed annually on May 18. HIV vaccine advocates mark the day by promoting the continued urgent need for a vaccine to prevent HIV infection and AIDS. They acknowledge and thank the thousands of volunteers, community members, health professionals, supporters and scientists who are working together to find a safe and effective AIDS vaccine. The concept of World AIDS Vaccine Day is rooted in a May 18, 1997 commencement speech at Morgan State University made by then-President Bill Clinton. Clinton challenged the world to set new goals in the emerging age of science and technology and develop an AIDS vaccine within the next decade stating, “Only a truly effective, preventive HIV vaccine can limit and eventually eliminate the threat of AIDS.”
May 1, 2018	International Day for Biodiversity (IBD) 2018	To raise awareness about the importance of and threats to bio diversity, while highlighting its contribution to sustainable development. National-Level Celebrations held in Hyderabad. Theme – “Celebrating 25 years of action on biodiversity”.
May 1, 2018	World Schizophrenia Day	Schizophrenia Awareness Week is being celebrated in May every year since 1986. May 20 to 27 is Observed as Schizophrenia Awareness Week all across the world. Numerous campaigns and awareness programs are held during this time of the year, in order to help schizophrenia patients and increase sensitivity towards them among the rest. Theme : "Do what you can do",

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