



World Coconut Day 2024

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World Coconut Day (WCD), observed annually on September 2nd, emphasizes the importance of coconuts in our lives and promotes sustainable farming practices.

- The day is dedicated **to raising awareness** about the various **uses of coconuts** and encouraging their global consumption.
- **Theme of WCD 2024: “Coconut for a [Circular Economy](#): Building Partnership for Maximum Value.”**
- World Coconut Day, first observed in 2009, was established by the International Coconut Community, a [UNESCAP](#) intergovernmental organization.
 - **The ICC, representing 21 coconut-producing countries**, established September 2nd for World Coconut Day to mark its 1969 founding and **India is a founding member.**
 - The ICC Secretariat is based in **Jakarta, Indonesia.**
 - **ICC** till 2018 was known as the Asian and Pacific Coconut Community.
- **Coconut Benefits:** Coconuts promote cardiovascular health, support red blood cell production, manage diabetes, and offer antioxidant protection.
 - They aid in skin health, digestion, hydration, and overall well-being due to their rich nutrient content.
- **Coconut Development Board (CDB) of India:** A statutory body established under the Ministry of Agriculture, **to enhance coconut cultivation and industry** through improved productivity and product diversification.
 - The top coconut producing states in India are **Kerala, Karnataka, and Tamil Nadu.**
 - The total coconut production in India is 20,535.88 million nuts (2022-23).

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