



## Rapid Fire Current Affairs

### World Tribal Day 2023

- The **International Day of the World's Indigenous Peoples**, also known as [World Tribal Day](#), is observed annually on **August 9**, as per a resolution by the [UN General Assembly](#) in December 1994.
- This date commemorates the inaugural meeting of the **UN Sub-Commission on the Promotion and Protection of Human Rights Working Group on Indigenous Populations in 1982**, highlighting its significance in promoting and safeguarding the rights of indigenous populations worldwide.
- The theme of World Tribal Day in 2023 is "**Indigenous Youth as Agents of Change for Self-determination.**"
- The day is necessary since indigenous peoples are frequently among the most **underprivileged racial and ethnic groupings in society**.
  - The UN estimates that although [indigenous people](#) make up less than **5% of the global population**, they are responsible for **15% of the world's poorest people**.

Read more: [World Tribal Day](#), [Particularly Vulnerable Tribal Groups \(PVTGs\)](#)

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### Quit India Movement Day 2023

- The [Quit India Movement](#), also known as the **August Movement** or **Bharat Chodo Andolan**, was a significant **civil disobedience movement** launched by [Mahatma Gandhi](#) and supported by [Indian National Congress](#) on 8th August 1942 with the aim to **end British colonial rule in India and achieve full independence**.
- The year 2023 marks the **81st anniversary of the Quit India movement**.
- On this day, **August 8th, 1942**, Gandhi gave the famous "**Do or Die**" speech, at the **Gowalia Tank Maidan**, now popularly known as **August Kranti Maidan**.
- The slogan '**Quit India**' was coined by **Yusuf Meherally**, a socialist and trade unionist who also served as Mayor of Mumbai.
  - Meherally had also coined the slogan "**Simon Go Back**".

Read more: [Quit India Movement](#), [Mahatma Gandhi](#)

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### Enhanced Transparency in Mahatma Gandhi NREGS through E-Attendance

Recently, the **Union Ministry of State for Rural Development** provided valuable insights into the **E-attendance in Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme** during a written reply in the Lok Sabha.

- To bolster transparency in the scheme's execution across various states and union territories, a mandate has been established requiring the use of the **National Mobile Monitoring System (NMMS) App**.
- This app captures attendance with [geo-tagged](#), **two time-stamped photographs of workers engaged in the scheme's activities**, except for individual beneficiary works.
  - Offline mode enables the capture of morning attendance and photographs, with later uploads when a network connection is available.

- This requirement, effective from **January 1, 2023**, **not only fosters citizen oversight of the program but also expedites payment processing.**
  - The responsibility of recording attendance and photos lies with **worksite supervisors, who employ the NMMS App** for this purpose.

**Read more:** [Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme](#)

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## India's Defence Ministry Adopts 'Maya' OS for Enhanced Cybersecurity

**India's Defence Ministry** has decided to replace the **Microsoft Operating System (OS)** on internet-connected computers with a **new OS called Maya**, developed locally based on [open-source Ubuntu](#).

- The transition to Maya is aimed at bolstering **security without disrupting user experience**, as it offers an interface and functionality similar to Windows.
  - This move comes in response to the escalating incidents of [cyberattacks](#).
- Alongside Maya's implementation, a comprehensive '**end point detection and protection system**,' **Chakravyuh**, is also being introduced to fortify these systems.

**Read more:** [Rising up to Cyber Security Challenges](#)

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