



World Day for International Justice

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Every year on **17th July, the World Day for International Justice** is observed to promote international criminal justice and honour the fight against impunity for serious crimes affecting the global community.

- **Historical Significance:** Originated on 17th July 1998, with the adoption of the **Rome Statute**, establishing the [International Criminal Court \(ICC\)](#).
 - The ICC is not part of the [United Nations](#) system and has a separate agreement governing its relationship with the UN. Currently, 124 countries are States Parties to the Rome Statute of the ICC, **India is not a party to the Rome Statute/ICC.**
 - The ICC is the **first permanent international court** and has **jurisdiction over crimes under international law** including genocide, war crimes, crimes against humanity and crimes of aggression committed on or after 1st July 2002.
 - The Rome Statute marks a significant step in the fight against impunity for grave crimes, ensuring accountability for perpetrators.
- The day raises awareness about international justice mechanisms and their role in addressing impunity, and promoting global peace and security.

Read more: [International Criminal Court \(ICC\)](#)

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