



## World Coconut Day 2024

**Source: PIB**

**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).

**Read More: [CPCRI Introduces New Varieties for Coconut and Cocoa Cultivation.](#)**

PDF Reference URL: <https://www.drishtias.com/printpdf/world-coconut-day-2024>