

22 November - Top 5 events of this Day in History

I welcome you all to "Today in History". Join me on a captivating exploration of the major events that transpired on the **22nd of November**, the 326th day of the year and the 47th Wednesday of 2023.

As we navigate through the historical tapestry of this specific day, we'll unravel the significance of five key moments that have left an indelible mark on our collective past. From political milestones to cultural shifts, each event we discuss sheds light on the intricate threads that contribute to the rich fabric of our shared history. Let's embark on this journey together, delving into the chronicles of November 22nd to gain a deeper understanding of the pivotal moments that have shaped the world as we know it.

Today in 1830, Jhalkari Bai was born

Today in 1830, Jhalkari Bai was born in hojla village near Jhansi. She was indeed a remarkable and brave woman who played a significant role in the Indian Rebellion of 1857, also known as the Indian Mutiny or Sepoy Mutiny. Jhalkari Bai is remembered for her contributions to the defense of the princely state of Jhansi against the British East India Company. Jhalkari Bai's story is closely associated with Rani Lakshmbai, the queen of Jhansi, who was a key figure in the 1857 uprising. Jhalkari Bai resembled Rani Lakshmbai to a great extent, and this similarity played a crucial role in the events that unfolded during the rebellion.



[Source: Wikipedia]

Today in 1864, Rukmabai Raut was born

Today in 1864, Rukmabai Raut was born in Bombay (present-day Mumbai). She was a pioneering figure in the field of medicine in colonial India and a prominent feminist. Rukmabai faced and challenged societal norms and gender discrimination in her pursuit of education and a career in medicine. One of the significant moments in Rukmabai's life was her resistance to child marriage. She was married off at the age of 11, but she refused to live with her husband, and the case went to court. The legal battle gained attention and became a landmark case known as "Rukmabai V. Dadaji." In 1888, the court ruled in her favor, recognizing her right to refuse conjugal rights in a child marriage.



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Today in 1914, Indian troops took Basra in Mesopotamia

Today in 1914, During World War 1, Indian troops played a significant role in the Mesopotamian Campaign by capturing the city of Basra. Basra was strategically important due to its location at the head of the Persian Gulf, and its capture was part of the British and Indian efforts to secure vital oil fields and protect British interests in the region. The campaign in Mesopotamia began with British and Indian forces advancing up the Tigris and Euphrates rivers. On November 22, 1914, British and Indian troops, primarily from the Indian Expeditionary Force, successfully captured Basra from the Ottoman Empire. The Ottoman forces in the region faced a combination of British, Indian, and local Arab forces.



[Source: Wikipedia]

Today in 1963, President John F Kennedy was assassinated

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Today in 1963, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas, USA. President Kennedy was riding in a motorcade through Dealey Plaza when he was shot and killed. The exact circumstances and motivations behind the assassination have been the subject of numerous investigations, theories, and debates. Kennedy, the 35th President of the United States, was only 46 years old at the time of his death. The official investigation, led by the Warren Commission, concluded that Lee Harvey Oswald acted alone in shooting Kennedy from a sixth-floor window of the Texas School Book Depository. Oswald was captured but was killed by Jack Ruby before he could stand trial, adding another layer of mystery to the case.



[Source: Wikipedia]

Today in 2004, the Orange Revolution began in Ukraine

Today in 2004, The Orange Revolution in Ukraine began. It was a series of protests and political events that unfolded in response to allegations of electoral fraud during the Ukrainian presidential election held on November 21, 2004. The two main candidates in the election were Viktor Yanukovich and Viktor Yushchenko. Initial results indicated that Viktor Yanukovich, the then Prime Minister and supported by the outgoing President Leonid Kuchma, had won the election. However, allegations of widespread voter fraud, particularly in favor of Yanukovich, led to mass protests and demonstrations, primarily in the capital city of Kyiv.

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As we conclude this exploration of the top 5 events on November 22nd, we've traversed significant historical moments that have shaped our world. From pivotal decisions to transformative achievements, these glimpses into the past illuminate the enduring impact of this day, forever etched in the annals of history. We will be back with some more historical events of other days. Till then, stay tuned!