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## 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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