



## India Celebrates 76th Army Day and 8th Armed Forces Veterans' Day

**Army Day:** Every year, **15<sup>th</sup> January** is commemorated as "Army Day" to remember the occasion when **Field Marshal KM Cariappa** took over the command of the Indian Army from the last British Commander-in-Chief in 1949.

**The Armed Forces Veterans' Day:** It is celebrated on **14<sup>th</sup> January** every year as it was on this day in 1953 that the first Commander-in-Chief of the Indian Army Field Marshal KM Cariappa, who led the forces to victory in the 1947 war, formally retired from the Service.

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