

INTERNATIONAL DAYS
SOME IMPORTANT DAYS IN THE HISTORY OF KASHMIR
SOME MASSACRES AND MASS RAPE INCIDENTS



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20 February	World Day of Social Justice (AIRES/62/10)
8 March	International Women Day
21 March	International Day for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination (A/RES/2142 (XXI))
25 March	International Day of Remembrance of the Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade (A/RES/62/122).
3 May	World Press Freedom Day (UNESCO 26 C/Resolution 4.3)
4 June	International Day of Innocent Children Victims of Aggression (AIRES/ES-7/8)
5 June	World Environment Day (AIRES/2994 (XXVII))
19 June	International Day for the Elimination of Sexual Violence in Conflict (A/RES/69/293)
20 June	World Refugee Day (AIRES/55/76)
23 June	International Widows' Day (A/RES/65/189)
26 June	United Nations International Day in Support of Victims of Torture (AIRES/52/ 149)
19 August	World humanitarian Day (A/RES/63/139)
21 August	International Day of Remembrance and Tribute to the Victims of Terrorism (A/RES/72/165).
30 August	International Day of the Victims of Enforced Disappearances (A/RES/65/209)
24 October	United Nations Day (A/RES/168 (II); AIRES/2782 (XXVI))
20 November	Universal Children's Day (AIRES/836(IX))
25 November	International Day for the Elimination of Violence against Women (AIRES/54/ 134)
3 December	International Day of Persons with Disabilities (AIR.ES/47/3)
9 December	International Day of Commemoration and Dignity of the Victims of the Crime of Genocide and of the Prevention of this Crime (A/RES/69/323)
10 December	Human Rights Day (A/RES/423 (V))

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05th January	Right to Self Determination Day. The UNCIP had passed a resolution in 1949, which provides <i>““The question of the accession of the State of Jammu and Kashmir to India or Pakistan would be decided through the democratic method of a free and impartial plebiscite.”</i>
26 th January	Indian Republic Day: Kashmiris observe this day as "Black Day
05 th February	Solidarity Day of Pakistanis with Kashmiris
09 th February	Martyrdom Day of Afzal Guru Shaheed. He was hanged in Tahar Jail (New Delhi) in 2013.
11 th February	Martyrdom Day of Maqbool Butt Shaheed. He was hanged in Tahar Jail (New Delhi) in 1984.
11 March	Death anniversary Kashmiri leader and former President of Azad Jammu Kashmir Khursheed Hassan Khursheed. He was died in a road accident on March 11, 1988, while travelling in a public transport vehicle as an ordinary passenger. He is buried in the heart of Muzaffarabad.
15 March	Death anniversary of prominent Kashmiri Leader and Member State Assembly Ghazi Kashmir Sardar Fateh Muhammad Kralvi was died on 1989.
21 March	Death Anniversary of Col. Ali Ahmed Shah, former President of Azad Kashmir and an active leader of Kashmir freedom movement in 1947.
27March	Human rights activist, Jalil Ahmed Andrabi Advocate, embraced martyrdom in 1996.
30 March	Commander in Chief of Liberation Front Shaheed Ishfaq Majeed Wani embraced martyrdom in 1990.
01 April	Dr. Abdul Ahad Guru was kidnapped and martyred by Indian forces in 1993.
20 April	Death anniversary of Kashmiri leader Raja Muhammad Haider Khan died in 1967.
21 May	Martyrdom Day of Mirwaiz Farooq Shaheed (assassinated by Indian Forces in 1990) and Abdul Ghani Lone Shaheed (was assassinated on May 21, 2002).
8 July	Burhan Muzaffar Wani was the commander of a Hizbul Mujahideen. He became popular and appealing among some Kashmiris due to his activity on social media He embraced martyrdom on 8 July 2016
10 July	Death anniversary of Sardar Muhammad Abdul Qayyum Khan. He was leader of Kashmir Freedom

	Struggle of 1947 and also served as the President and the Prime Minister of Azad Jammu and Kashmir. He was died in 2015.
13 July	Yum -e- Shuhda-e-Kashmir (Martyrdom Day of Kashmiris), In 1931 Dogra forces had fired on a peaceful gathering of Kashmiri Muslims in Srinagar. Twenty two people have embraced martyrdom, many were injured.
19 July	Yum - Illhaq -e- Pakistan (Accession to Pakistan Day), In 1947, All Jammu and Kashmir Muslim Conference passed a resolution in a meeting, demanding Mahraja that Kashmiris want to accede with Pakistan and Mahraja should keep in mind the wishes of Kashmiris.
31 July	Death anniversary of Prominent leader of Kashmir Freedom Struggle of 1947 and founder President of Azad Kashmir Ghazi Millat Sardar Muhammad Ibraheem Khan. He was died on 31st July 2003.
11 August	Prominent leader of freedom movement Sheikh Abdul Aziz was martyred by Indian Forces in 2008, when he was leading a march
14 August	Independence day of Pakistan in 1947.
15 August	Independence Day of India, Kashmiris observe as "Black Day".
24 October	The Provisional Government of Azad Jammu & Kashmir was established in 1947.
27 October	India lunched his forces at Srinagar Airport and forcefully occupied Kashmir in 1947, against the wishes and will of Kashmiri People. Kashmiri observe this day as "Black Day".
1 November	Gilgit Baltistan was liberated from Dogra rulers.
06 November	In Jammu Indian forces, Patiala State Forces, RSS, Akali Dil and Dogra Forces killed more than 2, 50,000 Muslims in 1947. Kashmir observe this day as "Yum -e- Shuhda-e-Jammu".
11 November	Martyrdom Day of Captain Hussain Khan Shaheed, who had embraced martyrdom in 1947.
11 November	Death anniversary of Member State Assembly, Baba-e-Poonch, Ghazi-e- Kashmir Col. Khan Muhammad Khan. He was died on 1961.
23 November	Yum-e-Shhhda- Neelum
18 December	Death anniversary of Raees -Ul-Ahrar Chaudary Ghulam Abbas. He was leader of Kashmiri Muslims. He was died in 1966.
16 Ramzan	Death anniversary of Mirwaiz M. Yousaf Shah a leader of Kashmir freedom movement and former president of Azad Kashmir. He was died in 1968.

SOME MASSACRES AND MASS RAPE INCIDENT

JANUARY

Sopore massacre, 6 January 1993	The Sopore massacre refers to the killing of 55 Kashmiri civilians by the Indian Border Security Force (BSF) after they tried to break the restrictions imposed in the town of Sopore in Kashmir on 6 January 1993.
Handwara Massacre: January 15, 1990	17 civilians were shot dead in Handwara by Indian forces, including one woman
K.upwara Massacre: January 27, 1994	Kupwara massacre refers to an incident that took place in Kupwara on January 27, 1994. The incident took place at 11 am on that day. The Indian army killed 27 civilians and injured 38 persons by open firing randomly in all directions

FEBRUARY

Kunan Poshpora Masscare : February 23, 1991	On February 23, 1991, a unit of the Indian army launched a search and interrogation operation in the twin villages of Kunan Poshpora, in the Valley's Kupwara district. Soldiers repeatedly gang-raped many women, with estimates of the number of victims was more than hundred.
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MARCH

Chhanpora Mass Rape : March 7, 1990	On March 7. CRPF raided several houses in the Chhanpora locality of Srinagar. During the raids a number of women were raped. The 'Committee for Initiative in Kashmir' which visited the Valley between March 12 to 16, 1990 interviewed the victims. Rape victim Noora (24) was forcefully dragged out of her kitchen by 20 men from the CRPF and raped, along with her sister-in-law Zaina. The rape victims also witnessed two minor girls being molested
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APRIL

Wavoosa Mass Rape : April 22, 1997	Several Indian armed forces personnel entered the house of a 32-year-old woman in the village of Wavoosa. They molested her 12-year-old daughter and raped three other daughters, aged 14, 16 and 18. Another woman was beaten for preventing the rape of her daughters by soldiers
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MAY

Massacre of of Pir Dastgeer: 8 May 1991	In Pir Dastgeer, Khanyar, at downtown Srinagar, on 8 May 1991, 18 civilians including an infant aged 2 years and his father were killed
Massacre of Islamia College Srinagar: May 21, 1990	70 persons were killed by Indian forces, while carrying the dead body of Mirwaiz Molvi Muhammad Farooq, of which there were five women, including a pregnant lady

JUNE

Chotabazar Mascare: 11 June 1991	In Chotabazar, Srinagar, on 11 June 1991, 32 civilians including shopkeepers, passers-by, old persons, women and children were killed
Hyhama Mass Rape: June 17, 1994	Seven women were raped by troops of Rashtriya Rifles, including two officers Major Ramesh and Raj Kumar in the village Hyhama

AUGUST

Pazipora Massacre: 10 August 1990	In Pazipora locality of Kupwara, on 10 August 1990, 25 civilians who tried to rescue their women from being raped by the Indian Security personnel were shot dead on the spot.
Pazipora-Ballipora Mass rape: 20 August 1991	On 20 August 1991, soldiers carried out mass rape in this hamlet, which is only a few kilometers away from Kunan Poshpora. The number of rape victims in this case varied between eight and fifteen or more

SEPTEMBER

Passenger Bus ablaze: 11 September 1990	On 11 September 1990, a civil passenger bus in Kashmir was intercepted and fired upon which resulted in the death of 22 civilians. Thereafter, the bus was set on fire which resulted in the burning of eight persons alive.
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OCTOBER

Doda Mass Rapes: October 5, 1998	A fifty year old resident of the village Ludna in Doda district told Human Rights Watch that on October 5, 1998 the Eighth Rashtriya Rifles came to her house, took her and beat her. She was then raped by a captain who was a Hindu and said to her: <i>"You are Muslims, and you will all be treated like this."</i>
Chak Saidpora Mass Rape: October 10, 1992	On October 10, 1992, an army unit of the 22 nd Grenadiers entered the village of Chak Saidapora. Several army soldiers gang-raped more than nine women, including an 11-year-old girl and a 60-year-old woman
Bijbehara Massacre: October 22, 1993	The Bijbehara Massacre refers to an incident that took place between protesters and the 74 th Battalion Border Security Force (BSF) in the Occupied Jammu & Kashmir on October 22, 1993. The BSF was accused of arbitrarily firing on a crowd and killing 51 civilians in Bijbehara after protests erupted over the siege of the mosque in Hazratbal.

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