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Independence Day Special: 15 August-5 Nations 1 Day

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Bahrain



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- Bahrain (1971)
- Dilmun civilization
- Free from Britain (before that Arabs and Portugal ruled)
- Bahrain celebrates its National Day on December 16 to coincide with the day that former ruler Isa bin Salman Al Khalifa ascended the throne.



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Congo



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- Republic of Congo (1960)
- Independence from France
- Pygmies followed by Bantu
- Portuguese began to transport people from Congo to work in their plantations in Brazil. (created riots and attacks)
- demand for African rubber, oil and cotton in Europe
- French conquered north of France



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India



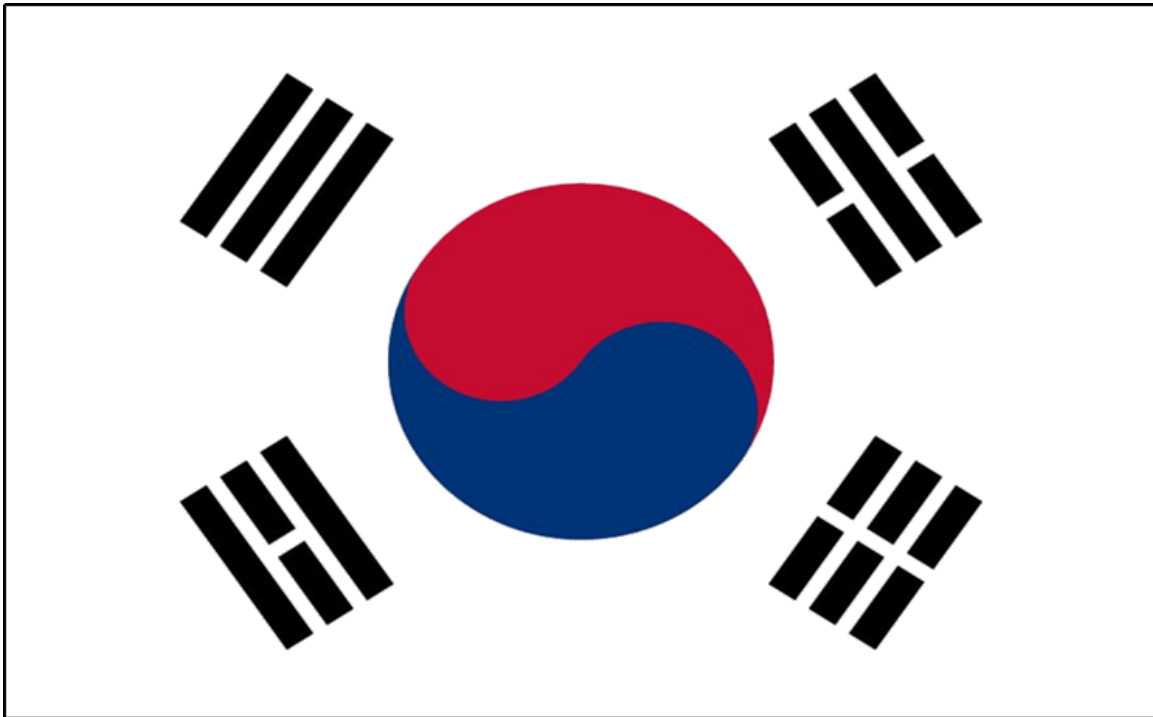
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- India (1947)
- Feast of the Assumption, which celebrates the ascension of Virgin Mary to Heaven, falls on this day

Korea



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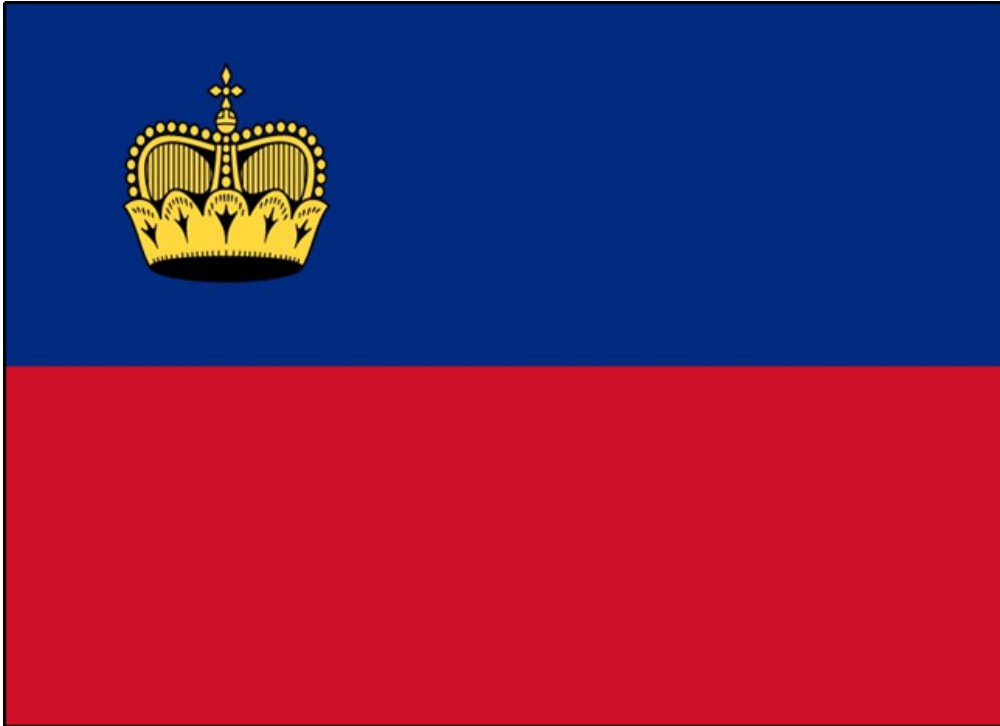
- Gwangbokjeol
- Time of the Restoration of Light
- South Korea (1948)
- Korea under Japanese rule till WW-II
- Gwangbokjeol (meaning Time of the Restoration of Light) is one of few public holidays celebrated by both the Koreas — South and North (free from Soviet Union) . Independent Korean governments were created three years later after 1945 when the pro-Soviet Kim Il-sung was made first premier of North Korea and pro-US Syngman Rhee the first president of South Korea (pro-US govt) .



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Liechtenstein

- In 1866, Liechtenstein, a small country located between Austria and Switzerland, was the first one to get independence from the German rule on the said date.
- 6th smallest nation of world
- Staatsfeiertag is marked with an official ceremony in front of the Vaduz Castle, cultural events, a public fair, festive processions, a firework display and a large party in the centre of Vaduz.

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