

FIRST IN INDIA

- **British Governor-General** : Warren Hastings
- **British Governor-General of Independent India** : Lord Mountbatten
- **Justice of India** : Hiralal J. Kania
- **Comander-in-Chief of Free India** : General K. M. Cariappa
- **Chief of Air Staff** : Air Marshal Sir Thomas Elmhirst
- **Indian Air Chief** : Air Marshal S. Mukherjee
- **Chief of Army Staff** : General M. Rajendra Singh
- **Chief of Naval Staff** : Vice-Admiral R. D. Katari
- **Consmonaut** : Sqn. Ldr. Rakesh Sharma
- **Emperor of Mughal Dynasty in India** : Babar
- **Field Marshal** : SPFJ Manekshaw
- **Governor-General of Indian Union** : C. Rajgopalachari
- **Indian to get an Oscar** : Bhanu Athaiya
- **Indian to Reach the South Pole** : Col. I. K. Bajaj
- **Indian ICS Officer** : Satyendra Nath Tagore
- **Indian Member of the Viceroy's Executive Council** : Sir S. P. Sinha
- **Indian Man to Swim Across the English Channel** : Mihir Sen
- **Indian Woman to Swim Across the English Channel** : Miss Aarti Saha
- **Indian Woman to Swim Across the Strait of Gibraltar** : Aarti Pradhan
- **Man to Climb Mount Everest** : Sherpa Tenzing
- **Man to Climb Mount Everest without Oxygen** : Phu Dorjee
- **Man to Climb Mount Everest twice** : Nawang Gombu
- **Muslim Woman to sit on the throne of Delhi** : Razia Sultana
- **Nobel Prize Winner** : Rabindra Nath Tagore
- **President of the Indian National Congress** : W. C. Banerjee
- **Woman President of the Indian National Congress** : Annie Besant
- **President to Die in Office** : Dr. Zakir Hussain
- **Prime Minister to Lose an Election** : Indira Gandhi
- **Prime Minister to Resign from Office** : Morarji Desai
- **Deputy Prime Minister** : Vallabhbhai Patel
- **Talkie Film** : Alam Ara (1931)
- **Test-tube Baby** : Indira (Baby Harsha)
- **Viceroy** : Lord Canning
- **Woman Central Minister** : Rajkumari Amrit Kaur
- **Woman Chief Minister of a State** : Mrs. Sucheta Kripalani
- **Woman Governor** : Mrs. Sarojini Naidu
- **Woman Minister** : Mrs. Vijayalakshmi Pandit
- **Woman to Climb the Mt. Everest**: Bachendri Pal
- **Woman Prime Minister** : Mrs. Indira Gandhi
- **Woman Speaker of a State Assembly** : Mrs. Shanno Devi
- **Woman Airline Pilot** : Durba Banerjee
- **Woman to Win an Asiad Gold** : Kamaljit Sandhu
- **Woman Judge of the Supreme Court** : Fathima Beevi
- **Woman IPS Officer** : Kiran Bedi

- **Indian in the British Parliament:** Dadabhai Naoroji
- **Indian to win Miss Universe Title :** Ms Sushmita Sen
- **Indian Woman Congress President :** Sarojini Naidu (1925)
- **Woman President of UN General Assembly :** Vijayalakshmi Pandit (1953)
- **Woman to Win the Nobel Prize :** Mother Teresa (1979)
- **Woman to become 'Miss World :** Reeta Faria
- **Speaker, Lok Sabha :** G. V. Manavalankar (1952-57)
- **Chairman Rajya Sabha :** S. V. Krishnamoorthy (1952)
- **Indian to Pass ICS :** Surendra Nath Banerji (1869)
- **Indian Pilot :** JRD Tata (1929)
- **To Reach Antarctica :** Lt. Ram Charan (1960)
- **Vernacular Daily :** Kolkata (1727)
- **Telegraph Line Installed :** Calcutta to Diamond Harber (1853)
- **Silent Movie :** Raja Harish Chandra by Dada Saheb Phalke (1913)
- **Coloured Cinemascope Film :** Pyar ki Pyas (1961)
- **Satellite launched :** Aryabhata (1975)
- **Indigenously built satellite :** Aryabhata (1975)
- **Atomic device exploded at :** Pokharan in Rajasthan (1974)
- **Large-scale Nuclear Reactor :** Apsara (1956)
- **Indigenously designed and built missile :** Prithvi (1988)
- **Member of the Dalit Community to become the President of India :** K. R. Narayanan
- **DNA typing forensic Laboratory set-up at :** Kolkata
- **Electric Train started between :** Ludhiana and New Delhi
- **Science City was inaugurated in :** Kolkata
- **Actress of Indian Cinema :** Kamalabai Gokhale
- **Woman Pilot of IAF :** Harita Deol
- **Solar Thermal Parabolic Trough Power Station was established at :** Mathania (Rajasthan)
- **Indian writer to win the Booker Prize :** Arundhati Roy
- **Musician to be awarded the Bharat Ratna :** M. S. Subbulakshmi
- **Indian Woman to go into Space :** Kalpana Chawla
- **Chairman of the Prasar Bharati Board :** Nikhil Chakravarthi
- **Indian Institution to be awarded Gandhi Peace Prize :** Ramakrishna Mission
- **Solar city is developed at :** Anandpur Sahib
- **Woman to win an Olympic medal :** Karnam Malleswari
- **Woman Foreign Secretary of India :** Chokila Iyer
- **Indian to win World Billiards Trophy :** Wilson Jones
- **Indian Grand Master (in Chess) :** Vishwanathan Anand
- **Chinese pilgrim to visit India :** Fahien
- **European invader on India soil :** Alexander, the great
- **Indian to win World Chess Championship :** Vishwanathan Anand
- **Women Air Vice Marshal :** P. Bandopadhyaya
- **Lady Cadet of Indian Army :** Priya Jhingan
- **First Indian to win a medal in the world Athletic Championship :** Anju B. George (2003)
- **Triple Century Maker in Test Cricket :** Virendra Sahwag (2004)

- **Hitter of 5 Double Centuries** : Rahul Dravid (2004)
- **Woman DGP** : Kanchan Chaudhury
- **Medal winner in Olympic Games** : Rajyawardhan Singh Rathore (2004)
- **Asian Tennis Champion, WTA champion, Third round winner in Grand Slam Tournament, Grand slam tournament winner Match winner in U.S. open, Youngest awardee of Padamshree** : Sania Mirza
- **Formula-1 Car Racer** : Narayan Kartikeyan
- **Indian to be awarded 'Srilanka Ratn'** : N. Ram
- **Woman Commanded the annual passing out parade** : Wahida Prizm (2006)
- **Five hundred wicket taker in Test cricket**: Anil Kumble (2006)
- **To the ski to the North Pole** : Ajeet Bajaj (2006)
- **First Air Chief to to Sky dive** : Air Chief S. P. Tyagi (2006)
- **First Indian Woman to win a Badminton Grand Prix** : Saina Nehwal (2006)
- **First President to make sortie in a combat aircraft** : Dr. A. P. J. Abdul Kalam (2006)
- **First Women President** : Pratibha Patil (2007)
- **First Indian to win Gold Medal in Olympics in individual Event** : Abhinav Bindra (2008)
- **First Woman Pilot of Fighter Plane** : Suman Sharma
- **World Cup (Jr.) Badminton, Indonesian Open Winner (Woman)** : Saina Nehwal (2009)
- **Woman Speaker Lok Sabha** : Ms. Meira Kumar (2009)
- **Two Oscar Award Winner** : A. R. Rehman (2009)
- **Khel Ratna, Arjun and Dronacharya Award** : P. Gopi Chand (2009)
- **Indian Woman to reach the South Pole** : Reena Kaushal (2009)