

Interesting facts (About International Mountain Day)

1. On which day is International Mountain Day celebrated each year?

It has been observed on December 11 every year since 2003.

2. Who commenced the International Mountain Day?

Discussion on mountain ecosystems was initiated with chapter thirteen of Agenda 21 at the 1992 [Earth Summit](#). Initially in 2002, the International Mountain Year was announced by the United Nations. After the successful conclusion of the year, the UN General Assembly announced December 11 as International Mountain Day, and since then it has been celebrated throughout the world. The main purpose of the day is to create mountain awareness and sustainable development. To establish awareness in communities about why mountains are essential for life, fresh water, and biodiversity. The day was organized by the United Nations in coordination with a food and agriculture organization.

3. What was the theme for International Mountain Day for the year 2025?

Glaciers matter for water, food, and livelihood in the mountains and beyond, is the theme for International Mountain Day 2025. This theme has been chosen to raise awareness among communities of the importance of glaciers and their part in water, food security, and ecosystems. Glaciers play a crucial role in the storage of water, rivers, food, and livelihoods. They are crucial for agriculture and clean energy. There is fast melting of glaciers due to climate change, which results in flooding, landslides, and water scarcity.

4. What is meant by the glacier?

When in any place, snow accumulates for a very long time, it leads to the formation of a solid mass of ice due to the compression of snow which is known as the [glacier](#). They flow along the gravitational force. They just look like a slow river or solid mass gliding down the riverbed.

References

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