



15 MAY

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF FAMILIES

"FAMILIES ARE LIKE BRANCHES ON A TREE, WE GROW IN DIFFERENT DIRECTIONS
YET OUR ROOTS REMAIN AS ONE."
- UNKNOWN -

WHY DO WE MARK THIS DAY?



International Day of Families is celebrated to promote the importance of a well-balanced and healthy family. The first International Day of Families was celebrated in 1994.

Family is the single most important influence in a child's life. From the first moments of their lives, children depend on parents and family to protect them and provide for their needs. Children thrive when parents are able to actively promote their positive growth and development.



QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- ✓ Why is International Family Day celebrated?
- ✓ Why is family important?
- ✓ What does 'family' mean to you?

MEET TODAY'S GLOBAL CITIZEN



International
Labour
Organization

ILO (International Labour Organization) established the Maternity Protection Convention in 2000, revising the original one in 1952, to further promote equality of all women in the workforce and the health and safety of the mother and child. The convention mandates a minimum leave period of 14 weeks for women around childbirth. ILO provides guidance on maternity and paternity leave to promote family-friendly environments and the principle of equality of opportunity and treatment between women and men.