

11 OCTOBER

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE GIRL CHILD

"If one man can destroy everything, why can't one girl change it?"

- Malala Yousafzai -

WHY DO WE MARK THIS DAY?



Also known as the Day of Girls, the International Day of the Girl Child was first celebrated on October 11, 2012. The Beijing Declaration and Platform for Action which highlights the girls' rights was adopted at the World Conference on Women in Beijing in 1995. The declaration put up the plan to emphasize and enhance the rights of women as well as girls.

The day aims to provide better opportunities for girls in terms of health, education, and overall wellbeing. Around the world, girls face issues such as gender inequality, violence, abuse, and discrimination. Such issues are addressed on this day to protect the girls.

QUESTIONS FOR DISCUSSION

- ✓ In what ways does the International Day of the Girl Child focus attention on the need to address the challenges girls face and to promote girls' empowerment and the fulfillment of their human rights?
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MEET TODAY'S GLOBAL CITIZEN



MALALA YOUSAFZAI

Activist

Malala's journey began as an activist for education in Pakistan, which led her to become the youngest recipient of the Nobel Peace Prize. She is also the founder of the Malala Fund where she continues her campaign.