

16 October

# WORLD FOOD DAY

"Food safety involves everybody in the food chain."

- Mike Johanns -

## Why do we mark this day?

World Food Day is observed on October 16 to mark the establishment of the United Nations Food and Agriculture Organization in 1945. The main aim of the day is to raise awareness about people living in hunger, malnutrition, and sustainable food production.



The day further calls for action internationally to find and take measures to counter poverty and hunger. It also aims to ensure food security whereby no one goes without food and lives in hunger. On this day, many organizations donate and distribute lunch boxes to the vulnerable and those who cannot afford food. World Food Day reaffirms the commitment to achieve Zero Hunger by 2030.

## Questions for Discussion

- Why do we need to ensure food security and nutritious diets?

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- Pick one food item that you like and introduce an interesting fact about the food!

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## Meet Today's Global Citizen



### World Food Programme (WFP)

As the world's largest humanitarian organization, World Food Programme (WFP) saves millions of lives in emergencies by providing food assistance for those in crisis, conflicts and poverty.

WFP works in over 80 countries to bring food and help individuals and communities in need. Not only offering food assistance, WFP works to enhance nutrition in women and children, support smallholder farmers, and provide school feeding programmes for children. All their works are geared towards building peace and stability for people recovering from conflict, disasters, and the impact of climate change.

WFP was awarded the Nobel Peace Prize in 2020.