

Hiroshima Marks 81st Anniversary of Atomic Bombing

Hiroshima commemorated the 81st anniversary of the 1945 U.S. atomic bombing at the Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park.

An annual international commemoration advocating for global nuclear disarmament and world peace in memory of the 1945 atomic bomb victims.

KEY EXAM POINTS

- On **August 6, 2026**, **Hiroshima** marked the **81st anniversary** of the world's first atomic bomb attack.
- The memorial ceremony was organized at the **Hiroshima Peace Memorial Park** in western **Japan**.
- Hiroshima **Mayor Kazumi Matsui** laid a wreath and urged global leaders to abandon the pursuit of nuclear weapons.
- Japanese **Prime Minister Sanae Takaichi** attended the memorial ceremony for the first time in her capacity as **Prime Minister**.
- Prime Minister Takaichi reaffirmed Japan's commitment to a realistic approach toward **nuclear non-proliferation** within the **United Nations** framework.

STATICS & SYLLABUS FOCUS

The United States dropped the first atomic bomb, named **Little Boy**, on Hiroshima on **August 6, 1945**.

Three days later, on **August 9, 1945**, a second atomic bomb named **Fat Man** was dropped on **Nagasaki**.

The Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons (**NPT**) was opened for signature in **1968** and entered into force in **1970**.

The Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons (**TPNW**) was adopted in 2017 and entered into force on **January 22, 2021**.

The International Atomic Energy Agency (**IAEA**) was established in **1957** with headquarters in **Vienna**, Austria.

The Comprehensive Nuclear-Test-Ban Treaty (**CTBT**) banning all nuclear explosions was adopted by the UN General Assembly in **1996**.

REVISION FLASHCARD

First atomic bomb 'Little Boy' dropped on Hiroshima (Aug 6, 1945); 'Fat Man' on Nagasaki (Aug 9, 1945).

Syllabus Relevance: Crucial for Unit 2 (Current Events) and World History topics regarding WWII atomic bomb dates, bomb codenames, NPT, CTBT, and IAEA.

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