

# World Bee Day, 2022

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**In news-** The World Bee Day is celebrated every year on 20th May,

## **About World Bee Day-**

- The day coincides with the birthday of Anton Janša, who in the 18th century pioneered modern beekeeping techniques in his native Slovenia.
- In 2014, the Slovenian Beekeepers' Association started the initiative for May 20 to be declared World Bee Day.
- In September 2015, the initiative was also backed by the largest international beekeepers' organisation, Apimondia.
- On 17 November 2017, the UN's Economic and Financial Committee adopted a resolution proclaiming World Bee Day.
- On 20 December 2017, the resolution was approved by the General Assembly of the United Nations in New York, thus designating 20 May as World Bee Day.
- The first Bee Day took place on 20 May 2018 in Slovenia, more precisely in Žirovnica, which is also the birthplace of Anton Janša.
- The aim of World Bee Day is to raise awareness among the world public about the importance and protection of bees and other pollinators.
- In addition to bee products, which are considered quality food, their biggest contribution is the pollination of almost three quarters of all plants.
- Every year, the UN Food and Agriculture Organization (FAO) and the host country organise an international celebration of World Bee Day.
- The theme of 2022- '***Bee Engaged: Celebrating the diversity of bees and beekeeping systems***'.