

South Asia Political Pulse: July 2026 Holiday & Event Watch

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1. Which South Asian country will celebrate its Independence Day on July 26, 2026?

- A) India
- B) Pakistan
- C) Maldives**
- D) Bangladesh

2. In July 2026, which major religious observance related to the Islamic calendar will be marked in Pakistan and Bangladesh?

- A) Eid al-Fitr
- B) Ashura**
- C) Eid al-Adha
- D) Mawlid

3. Which of the following is a significant Hindu festival observed in India in July 2026?

- A) Holi
- B) Diwali
- C) Guru Purnima**
- D) Makar Sankranti

4. In Bhutan, which Buddhist holiday is scheduled for July 2026?

- A) Losar
- B) Birth Anniversary of Guru Rinpoche**
- C) National Day
- D) Coronation Day

5. Which South Asian country will host the 'International Conference on South Asian Politics and Democratic Transitions' in July 2026?

- A) India
- B) Sri Lanka
- C) Bangladesh**
- D) Nepal

6. What significant Buddhist event is observed in Bhutan on July 18, 2026?

- A) Buddha Purnima
- B) First Sermon of Lord Buddha**
- C) Vesak
- D) Drukpa Tsechu

7. Which of these is a public holiday in Sri Lanka in July 2026?

- A) Independence Day
- B) Esala Full Moon Poya Day**
- C) Sinhala and Tamil New Year
- D) National Day

8. In Nepal, what significant day is observed on July 17, 2026?

- A) Gai Jatra
- B) Constitution Day
- C) Saune Sankranti**
- D) Janai Purnima

9. The Maldives celebrates Independence Day on July 26th. In which year did it gain independence from the British?

- A) 1947
- B) 1965**
- C) 1971
- D) 1950

10. Which of the following is NOT a major holiday observed in July 2026 in any of the listed South Asian countries?

- A) Independence Day (Maldives)
- B) Ashura (Pakistan, Bangladesh)
- C) Guru Purnima (India)
- D) New Year's Day**