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What are the Nobel Prizes?

The Nobel Prizes are a set of international awards given every year to people or organizations that have made remarkable contributions to humanity.

These prizes were established as per the will of Alfred Nobel, a Swedish chemist, engineer, and inventor who wanted his fortune to be used to reward those who bring the "greatest benefit to mankind."

The awards were first presented in 1901, and since then, they have become a global symbol of excellence and humanitarian achievement.

Each Nobel Prize laureate receives:

A gold medal symbolizes their honor and achievement.

A diploma, personally signed by the awarding institution.

A cash award, which varies each year depending on the funds of the Nobel Foundation (in 2023, it was approximately 11 million Swedish kronor, equal to over 1 million USD).

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2025 Uttarakhand flash flood

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The **2025 Uttarakhand flash flood** occurred on 5 August 2025 in [Uttarkashi](#), [Uttarakhand](#), India. The disaster killed at least five people and left more than 50 others missing.^{[1][2][3][4]}



Date	5 August 2025
Location	Uttarkashi , Uttarakhand , India
Cause	Cloudburst or glacial lake outburst flood or glacier collapse or landslide
Deaths	5+ 50 - 100+ missing
Property damage	Several houses and hotels

- ▼ Cause
- ▼ Casualties and damage
- ▼ Rescue operations
- ▼ Aftermath
- ▼ Geological and hydrological impact

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In 2025, astronomical highlights included several meteor showers (Quadrantids, Lyrids, Perseids, and Orionids), a total lunar eclipse on September 7, and three supermoons on October 6, November 5, and December 4.

Spaceflight in 2025 was marked by increased private launches and developments in lunar and Mars exploration, including the landing of private robotic landers as part of NASA's Commercial Lunar Payload Services (CLPS) program.

Key Astronomical Events

Meteor Showers: Look out for the

Quadrantids in early January, the Lyrids in April, the Perseids in August, and the Orionids in October, as well as the Geminids in December.

Eclipses: A total lunar eclipse will occur on September 7, with a partial solar eclipse on March 29.

Supermoons: The Harvest Moon (October 6), Beaver Moon (November 5), and Cold Moon (December 4) will be visible as supermoons in the latter part of the year.

Planetary Alignments: A "planet parade"

featuring six planets (Venus, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, and Neptune) was visible in January. Spaceflight and Exploration

Orbital Launches: 2025 was expected to

see record-breaking orbital launches, with a significant number from private companies.

Lunar Exploration: Private robotic landers, part of NASA's CLPS program, were scheduled to land.

Mars and Low Earth Orbit (LEO):

Development in lunar and Mars exploration continued, alongside increased activities in low Earth orbit. Other Notable Events

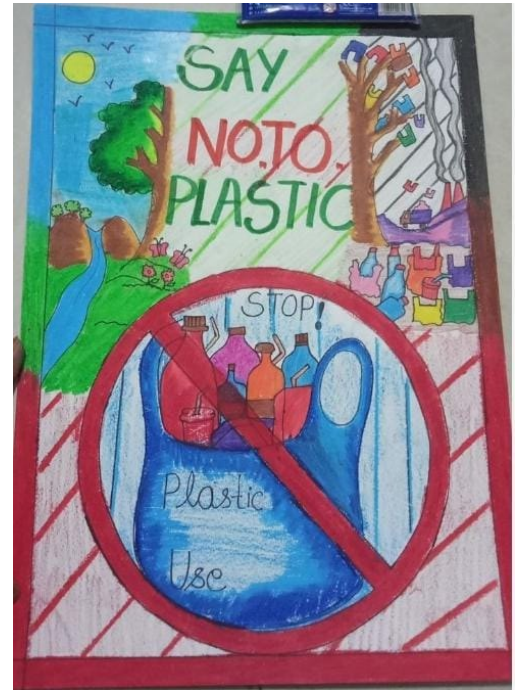
Saturn at Opposition: Saturn was at opposition in September.

Europa Clipper: The Europa Clipper performed a gravity assist maneuver at Mars in March.

- **Comet C/2025 R2 (SWAN):** A rare comet with a 22,000-year orbit was visible in the western sky after sunset, especially from the Southern Hemisphere. [🔗](#)

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- Sports as a Driver of Economic Growth
- Sports for Social Transformation
- Sports as a Mass Movement
- Integration with NEP 2020





The primary global environmental focus in 2025 was the "Beat Plastic Pollution" campaign for World Environment Day, with the Republic of Korea



hosting the official celebrations. This initiative, led by the UNEP, highlights the deepening crisis of plastic waste and microplastics in water, soil, and food chains, urging for collective action to end the use of single-use plastics and promote a circular economy. [🔗](#)

Key Aspects of 2025 Environmental Efforts

- **Plastic Pollution Campaign:** The theme "Beat Plastic Pollution" was a central global effort to raise awareness and drive action against the pervasive problem of plastic waste. [🔗](#)
- **Host Country:** The Republic of Korea hosted the global World Environment Day event, showcasing its commitment to environmental diplomacy and action. [🔗](#)