

# IN Indian Nobel Prize Winners & Indian Connections

Celebrating Excellence and Global Contribution




**Study Tip:** India has produced remarkable Nobel laureates across various fields. This page also includes laureates with strong Indian connections. Remember their contributions to inspire your own journey of learning and discovery!




## Indian Nobel Prize Winners

Year	Name	Category	Achievement
1913	Rabindranath Tagore	LITERATURE	First Asian Nobel laureate. Awarded for his profoundly sensitive, fresh and beautiful verse, particularly "Gitanjali" (Song Offerings), which made his poetic thought accessible to the West.
1930	C.V. Raman	PHYSICS	Discovered the Raman Effect - the scattering of light by molecules. This discovery revolutionized our understanding of molecular structure. National Science Day (Feb 28) celebrates this discovery.
1968	Har Gobind Khorana	MEDICINE	Shared the prize for research on genetic code and its role in protein synthesis. His work was fundamental to understanding how DNA controls cell functions.
1979	Mother Teresa	PEACE	Recognized for her humanitarian work with the poor in Kolkata. Founded Missionaries of Charity and dedicated her life to serving the poorest of the poor.
1983	Subrahmanyam Chandrasekhar	PHYSICS	Awarded for theoretical studies on physical processes important to the structure and evolution of stars. The Chandrasekhar Limit is named after him.
1998	Amartya Sen	ECONOMICS	Recognized for his contributions to welfare economics, particularly his work on famine, human

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			development theory, and the capability approach to well-being.
2009	Venkatraman Ramakrishnan	MEDICINE	Shared the prize for studies of the structure and function of the ribosome - the protein-making factory of cells, crucial for understanding how life works at molecular level.
2014	Kailash Satyarthi	PEACE	Awarded for his struggle against child exploitation and for the right of all children to education. Founded Bachpan Bachao Andolan (Save the Childhood Movement).
2019	Abhijit Banerjee	ECONOMICS	Shared the prize for experimental approach to alleviating global poverty. His research has helped reshape development economics and poverty reduction strategies.

 **Remember:** These laureates came from diverse backgrounds but shared dedication, curiosity, and commitment to excellence. Let their achievements inspire your studies!

## Nobel Laureates with Indian Connections

 **Note:** These laureates are not Indian citizens but have significant connections to India through residence, work, or extended stays.

Year	Name	Category	Achievement & Indian Connection
1902	Ronald Ross	MEDICINE	British physician who discovered that mosquitoes transmit malaria. He conducted his groundbreaking research while working in India at the Presidency General Hospital in Calcutta (now Kolkata). World Mosquito Day (August 20) commemorates his discovery.
1907	Rudyard Kipling	LITERATURE	British author born in Bombay (now Mumbai), India. Famous for "The Jungle Book" and "Kim". His early life in India and journalistic work deeply influenced his writing, which vividly portrayed Indian culture and colonial life.

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1989	Dalai Lama (Tenzin Gyatso)	PEACE	The 14th Dalai Lama, spiritual leader of Tibetan Buddhism. Awarded for his non-violent struggle for the liberation of Tibet. He has lived in exile in Dharamshala, India since 1959, where the Tibetan Government-in-Exile is headquartered.
2001	V.S. Naipaul	LITERATURE	Born in Trinidad to Indian parents, Naipaul was of Indian descent. Awarded for works that compel us to see the presence of suppressed histories. His novels extensively explored Indian identity, including "A House for Mr Biswas" and "India: A Million Mutinies Now".



**Educational Value:** Understanding these connections helps students appreciate India's global influence in science, literature, and humanitarian work!