First in India (Female)

- Reita Faria Powell, the first Indian to wear the Miss World crown in 1966.
- M. Fathima Beevi became the first female judge to be a part of the Supreme Court of India.
- Sarojini Naidu was the first female to become the governor of a free India.
- **Shanno Devi** was an Indian politician and a member of the Indian National Congress from the state of Punjab. She was the first woman speaker of a State Assembly in India.
- Raziya Sultana the only female ever to rule the Delhi Sultanate.
- **Kiran Bedi** is the first woman to join the Indian Police Service.
- Sucheta Kriplani was India's first woman Chief Minister, serving as the head of the Uttar Pradesh.
- Rajkumari Amrita Kaur was the first health minister of India.
- Annie Besant was the first Woman President of Indian National Congress (INC).
- Nirja Bhanot became the youngest women recipient of India's highest peacetime gallantry, the Ashok Chakra Award.
- Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit was the first Indian Woman Ambassador at United Nation.
- Arati Saha was the first Indian Woman to swim across English Channel.
- Bachendri Pal is an Indian mountaineer, who in 1984 became the first Indian woman to reach the summit of Mount Everest.
- Santosh Yadav is an Indian mountaineer. She is the first woman in the world to climb Mount Everest twice.
- Sushmita Sen is the first Indian Woman to become Miss Universe.
- Ashapoorna Devi was the first Indian Woman to get Jnanpith Award.
- Sania Mirza is the first Indian woman to win WTA Title.
- Durba Banerjee was the first pilot of Indian Airlines.
- Kamaljeet Sandhu is the first Indian woman athlete to win gold medal at any Asian games.
- Sarojini Naidu was the first Indian woman President of Indian National Congress (INC).
- Suzanna Arundhati Roy is the first Indian woman to win the Booker Prize.
- M. S. Subbulakshmi was the first musician ever to be awarded the Bharat Ratna.
- Kalpana Chawla was the first Indian woman to go into space.
- On September 19, 2000, weight lifter Karnam Malleshwari became the 1st Indian women ever to win an Olympic medal, competing in the Sydney international convention centre.

