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ON THIS DAY



▲ **2008: Floodwaters released from the Tangjiashan Lake, created by the Sichuan earthquake in May, deluged the abandoned town of Beichuan**

1943: Hungarian journalist Laszlo Biro patented his ball-point pen

1967: The Six-Day War ended with Israel capturing East Jerusalem, the West Bank, Gaza Strip and the Sinai

1990: Alberto Fujimori, of Japanese ancestry, defeated author Mario Vargas Llosa to win Peru's presidential election

2000: President Hafez-al Assad, ruler of Syria for 30 years who ruthlessly suppressed all opposition to his regime, died