

Sunday, April 18

ON THIS DAY



▲ **1906:** A devastating earthquake struck San Francisco, leaving over 1,000 dead and 200,000 homeless

1946: The League of Nations was dissolved and all its assets handed over to the United Nations

1954: Gamal Abdel Nasser became prime minister of Egypt

1980: Rhodesia achieved legal independence as Zimbabwe under President Canaan Banana

2009: The Indian Premier League tournament got underway in South Africa. It was moved due to security concerns in India while the world's biggest election was in progress