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# Rajasthan Affairs

## Key Functionaries of Rajasthan 2026

Designation	Official
Governor (22nd in order and 45th by position)	Shri Haribhau Kishanrao Bagde
Chief Minister (14th)	Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma
Deputy Chief Minister	1. Ms. Diya Kumari 2. Shri Premchand Bairwa
Chief Justice (Present)	Justice Sanjiv Sharma (Officiating)
Chief Justice (43rd)	Shriram Kalpati Rajendran (Retired)
President - RITI (Rajasthan Institute of Transformation Initiative)	Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma (Ex-officio)
Chief Secretary (45th)	Shri V. Srinivas
Director General of Police (DGP)	Shri Rajeev Sharma
Lokayukta (13th)	Shri Pratap Krishna Lohra
Chairman-Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC)	Shri Utkal Ranjan Sahoo
Chief Information Commissioner (5th)	Shri Mohan Lal Lather
State Election Commissioner (7th)	<b>Shri Rajeshwar Singh</b>
Chief Electoral Officer	Shri Naveen Mahajan
Advocate-General	Shri Rajendra Prasad Gupta
Chairman-State Human Rights Commission (6th)	Shri Gangaram Mulchandani
Chairman- 7th Finance Commission	Shri Arun Chaturvedi
Rajasthan Heritage Authority	Shri Onkar Singh Lakhawat
Head of Forest Force (HFF)	Shri Arijit Banerjee
Chairman - Rajasthan Staff Selection Commission	Major General Alok Raj
President - Rajasthan Olympic Association	Shri Tejashwi Singh Gehlot
President - Rajasthan Cricket Association	Shri Dhananjay Ssingh (Officiating)
President - Indian National Congress (Rajasthan)	Shri Govind Singh Dotasara
President - Bharatiya Janata Party (Rajasthan)	Shri Madan Rathore

### Rajasthan Legislative Assembly (16th)

Speaker of the Assembly	Shri Vasudev Devnani
Leader of the House	Mr. Bhajan Lal Sharma
Leader of the Opposition	Mr. Tikaram Julie

Minister of Parliamentary Affairs	Shri Jogaram Patel
Government Chief Whip	Shri Jogeshwar Garg
Principal Secretary Vidhan Sabha	Shri Bharat Bhushan Sharma
<b>Designation</b>	<b>Official</b>
Vedic Rite & Education Board	Ganeshilal Suthar
Chairman, State Farmers Commission	Shri C.R. Chowdary
Chairman, Rajasthan Scheduled Castes Finance and Development Commission	Rajendra Kumar Nayak
Chairman, Devnarayan Board	Om Prakash Bhadana
Chairman, State Animal Welfare Board	Jaswant Bishnoi
Shriyade Clay Art Board	Shri Prahlad Rai Tak
Chairman, Shri Vishwakarma Skill Development Board	Ramgopal Suthar
Chairman, Sainik Welfare Advisory Committee	Prem Singh Bajor
Chairman, Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA)	Veenu Gupta
Commissioner of Police, Jaipur	Sachin Mittal
Commissioner of Police, Jodhpur	Shri Om Prakash

### Council of Ministers of Rajasthan

- The Rajasthan Council of Ministers currently consists of 24 members.
- Note: The maximum number of members in the Council of Ministers in Rajasthan can be 30 (including the Chief Minister), while the minimum should be 12.

### Important facts

- The provision for the maximum number of members of the Council of Ministers at the Centre and in the States was made by the 91st Constitutional Amendment in 2003.
- The maximum number of members of the Council of Ministers at the Centre and in the States cannot exceed 15% of the total number of members of the Lok Sabha and the Legislative Assembly respectively.

The present Rajasthan Council of Ministers consists of the following posts:

- 1 CM
- 2 Deputy Chief Minister
- 12 Cabinet Ministers
- 4 Minister of State (Independent Charge)
- 5 Ministers of State

At present, there are 2 women ministers in the state government-

1. Ms. Diya Kumari
2. Dr. Manju Baghmar

- In Rajasthan, 19 MLAs have become first-time ministers, out of which 5 ministers have been elected for the first time.
- The newly appointed Chief Minister of Rajasthan, Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma has also become an MLA (Sanganer, Jaipur) for the first time.
- The youngest minister in Rajasthan is Mr. Suresh Singh Rawat (40 years), while the oldest minister is Mr. Kirori Lal Meena (72 years).

S. No.	Name	Department
1.	Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma, Chief Minister	1. Department of Personnel 2. Excise Department

		<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. Home Department</li> <li>4. Planning Department</li> <li>5. Department of General Administration</li> <li>6. Policy Setting Cell</li> <li>7. Department of Information and Public Relations</li> <li>8. Anti-Corruption Bureau (ACB)</li> </ol>
2.	Ms. Diya Kumari, Deputy Chief Minister	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Finance</li> <li>2. Department of Tourism</li> <li>3. Department of Art, Literature, Culture and Archaeology</li> <li>4. Public Works Department</li> <li>5. Department of Women and Child Development</li> <li>6. Department of Child Empowerment</li> <li>7. Independent charge of the Women and Child Development Department under Panchayati Raj</li> </ol>
3.	Dr. Prem Chand Bairwa, Deputy Chief Minister	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Technical Education</li> <li>2. Department of Higher Education</li> <li>3. Department of Ayurveda, Yoga &amp; Naturopathy, Unani, Siddha &amp; Homoeopathy (AYUSH)</li> <li>4. Department of Transport and Road Safety</li> </ol>

**Cabinet Minister**

4.	Shri Kirori Lal Meena	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Agriculture &amp; Horticulture</li> <li>2. Department of Rural Development</li> <li>3. Department of Disaster Management, Assistance and Civil Defence</li> <li>4. Public Prosecution Redressal Department</li> <li>5. Independent charge of the Department of Agriculture under Panchayati Raj</li> </ol>
5.	Shri Gajendra Singh Khimsar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Medicine and Health</li> <li>2. Medical and Health Services (ESI)</li> <li>3. Independent charge of Medical and Health Department under Panchayati Raj</li> </ol>
6.	Shri Rajyavardhan Singh Rathore	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Industry and Commerce</li> <li>2. Department of Information Technology and Communications</li> <li>3. Department of Youth Affairs and Sports</li> <li>4. Department of Skill, Employment and Entrepreneurship</li> <li>5. Sainik Welfare Department</li> </ol>
7.	Shri Madan Dilawar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of School Education (School Education)</li> <li>2. Panchayati Raj Department</li> <li>3. Department of Sanskrit Education</li> <li>4. Independent charge of the Department of Primary Education subordinate to Panchayati Raj</li> </ol>

8.	Shri Kanhaiyalal	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Public Health Engineering</li> <li>2. Ground Water Department</li> </ol>
9.	Shri Jogaram Patel	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Parliamentary Affairs</li> <li>2. Department of Legal &amp; Legal Affairs and Office of Legal Counsel</li> <li>3. Department of Justice</li> </ol>
10.	Shri Suresh Singh Rawat	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Water Resources</li> <li>2. Department of Water Resources (Planning)</li> </ol>
11.	Shri Avinash Gehlot	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Social Justice and Empowerment</li> <li>2. Independent charge of the Department of Social Justice and Empowerment under Panchayati Raj</li> </ol>
12.	Shri Sumit Godara	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Food and Civil Supplies</li> <li>2. Department of Consumer Affairs</li> </ol>
13.	Shri Joram Kumawat	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Animal Husbandry &amp; Dairying</li> <li>2. Gopalan Department</li> <li>3. Devasthan Department</li> </ol>
14.	Shri Babulal Kharadi	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Tribal Regional Development</li> <li>2. Department of Home Defence</li> </ol>
15.	Shri Hemant Meena	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Revenue</li> <li>2. Department of Colonization</li> </ol>

### Minister of State (Independent Charge)

16.	Mr. Sanjay Sharma	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Forest Department</li> <li>2. Department of Environment and Climate Change</li> <li>3. Department of Science and Technology</li> </ol>
17.	Mr. Gautam Kumar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Co-operation</li> <li>2. Department of Civil Aviation</li> </ol>
18.	Shri Jhabar Singh Kharra	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Urban Development Department</li> <li>2. Department of Autonomous Government</li> </ol>
19.	Shri Hiralal Nagar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Energy</li> </ol>

### Minister of State

20.	Shri Otaram Dewasi	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Panchayati Raj Department</li> <li>2. Department of Rural Development</li> <li>3. Disaster Management, Assistance and Civil Aviation Department</li> </ol>
21.	Dr. Manju Baghmar	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Public Works</li> <li>2. Department of Women and Child Development</li> <li>3. Department of Child Empowerment</li> </ol>
22.	Shri Vijay Singh	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Department of Revenue</li> <li>2. Department of Colonization</li> <li>3. Sainik Welfare Department</li> </ol>

23.	Shri Krishna Kumar Vishnoi	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Department of Industry and Commerce</li><li>2. Department of Youth Affairs and Sports</li><li>3. Department of Skill, Employment and Entrepreneurship</li><li>4. Policymaking Department</li></ol>
24.	Shri Jawahar Singh Bedham	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Home Department</li><li>2. Gopalan Department</li><li>3. Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying</li><li>4. Department of Fisheries</li></ol>

Apart from the above, the Chief Minister himself will look after the work of other unallotted departments.

# 1. Person in News

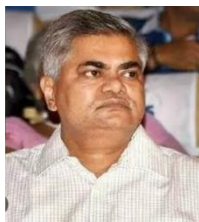
## V Srinivas appointed as new Chief Secretary of Rajasthan



- Voruganti (V.) Srinivas, a 1989-batch IAS officer, was appointed as the new Chief Secretary of Rajasthan on 16 November 2025.
- Former Chief Secretary Sudhansh Pant handed over the charge to him on 17 November 2025.
- Srinivas was till now the Secretary of the Union Department of Administrative Reforms, Public Grievances and Pensions.
- He was on deputation at the Centre since December 2018.
- He initiated the Digital AIIMS project, which brought about a paradigm shift in the e-hospital system.
- He has been a technical assistant to the India-based Executive Director at the International Monetary Fund (IMF).
- He is the first Indian IAS officer to be elected as the President of the International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS).
- His term will last till September 2026.

## Rajeshwar Singh appointed as State Election Commissioner of Rajasthan

- Rajeshwar Singh, a retired Indian Administrative Service officer, has been appointed as the State Election Commissioner.
- He replaced Madhukar Gupta.
- He has been the Chairman of the Board of Revenue, Ajmer for 3 years from July 2021 to July 2024.
- Governor Haribhau Bagde issued an order for the appointment of Rajeshwar Singh on 16 September 2025.



## State Election Commission

- It is a one-member Constitutional Commission.
- Established under the 73rd 74th Constitutional Amendment – July, 1994. (Order: 17 June 1994, the Commission began its work on 1 July 1994).
- Appointment - by the Governor on the recommendation of the Chief Minister.
- Resignation letter - to the Governor.
- Conditions of Service: By the Governor (State Election Commission Conditions of Service Act passed by the Government of Rajasthan)1994)
- Tenure – 5 or 65 years
- Article 243K(2) of the Constitution of India seeks to impeach the President as a Judge of a High Court under Article 124(4)
- Salary Allowances - Weighted on the Consolidated Fund of the State (similar to that of a High Court Judge)
- First State Election Commissioner - Amar Singh Rathore
- Main function: To conduct elections to Panchayati Raj and Urban Bodies.

## Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC) appoints 3 new members



हेमंत प्रियदर्शी डॉ. अशोक कलवार डॉ. सुशील बिस्सू

- Rajasthan Public Service Commission has appointed 3 new members:
  1. Hemant Priyadarshi – Former Indian Police Service officer
  2. Dr. Ashok Kumar Kalwar – Physician
  3. Dr. Sushil Kumar Bissu – Educationist
- A total of 10 member posts are scheduled in RPSC. Now 7 posts have been filled after 3 new appointments.
- Recently former DGP Utkal Ranjan (U.R.) Sahu has been appointed as the Chairman.

- After the appointment of Hemant Priyadarshi, there are now two former IPS officers in the commission.

### **Arun Chaturvedi appointed as Chairman of State Finance Commission**

- The Rajasthan government has appointed Arun Chaturvedi as the chairman of the 7th State Finance Commission of Rajasthan.
- Arun Chaturvedi has been given the status of a cabinet minister by the state government.
- His tenure will be 1.5 years.
- Retired IAS officer **Naresh Kumar Thukral** has been appointed as the **Member Secretary of the Commission**.
- This commission will work to determine the financial share of the panchayats and urban bodies out of the taxes and other revenues of the state government.
- Arun Chaturvedi is a former state BJP president and former cabinet minister.
- He is an MLA from the Civil Lines assembly seat in Jaipur.
- He was the Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment from 2013 to 2018.



#### **State Finance Commission**

- It is a constitutional institution. (Mention: in Article 243I and Article 243Y)
- The Governor of the State shall constitute a Finance Commission after every 5 years to review the financial position of the Panchayats.
- Rajasthan has so far constituted 7 Finance Commissions.

#### **Finance Commission Functions -**

- Distribution of taxes, duties, fees collected by the state between the state and the panchayats.
- Recommendation of grants to Panchayats from the State Consolidated Fund.
- Recommendations to strengthen the financial health of the State.

### **Sunil Sharma appointed as member of Rajasthan State Information Commission**

- Sunil Sharma, a former Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer, has been appointed as the new member of the Rajasthan State Information Commission.

- He has become the fourth member of the Commission.
- Mohan Lal Lather (former DGP) is currently the Chief Information Commissioner of the state of Rajasthan.
- **3 other members of the Commission:**
  1. Suresh Chandra Gupta (former IAS)
  2. Mahendra Parakh (Former IAS)
  3. Tikaram Sharma (Former Legal Services Officer)

### **Utkal Ranjan (U.R.) Sahoo becomes RPSC chairman**

- Rajasthan DGP Utkal Ranjan (U.R.) Sahu has been appointed as the chairman of the Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC).
- UR Sahoo, who hails from Odisha, is a 1988 batch IPS officer.
- He replaced Sanjay Shrotriya.
- The term as RPSC chairman ended on August 1, 2024, after which Kailash Chand Meena was made the acting chairman.
- UR Sahu will remain in office till June next year.

### **Rajasthan's Vijay Bishnoi sworn in as Supreme Court judge**

- Chief Justice of the Guwahati High Court, Vijay Vishnoi, was elevated to become a Supreme Court judge on May 30, 2025.
- He has been a judge of the Rajasthan High Court.
- He is originally from Jodhpur (Rajasthan).
- He has also been Additional Standing Counsel for the Government of India. In 2013, he was appointed as an additional judge of the Rajasthan High Court.
- Justice Vijay Vishnoi became a permanent judge in 2015.

### **Justice Dinesh Maheshwari**

- Dinesh Maheshwari, former Supreme Court Judge, was appointed as the Chairman of the 23rd Law Commission on 15th April 2025.
- Advocate Hitesh Jain and Prof D.P. Verma have been appointed as full-time members.
- The notification for constitution of the 23rd Law Commission was issued on 2nd September, 2025.
- It has been formed for a period of 3 years.

- Prof. D.P. Verma was also a member of the 22nd Law Commission.
- Advocate Hitesh Jain specializes in civil, criminal, commercial and constitutional matters.
- Dinesh Maheshwari was born on May 15, 1958 in Udaipur (Rajasthan).
- He was sworn in as a judge of the Rajasthan High Court on September 2, 2004.
- He also served as the President of the Rajasthan State Judicial Academy and as an Administrative Judge of the Rajasthan High Court.
- He has also served as the Chief Justice of the Meghalaya High Court and the Karnataka High Court.
- Took oath as a judge of the Supreme Court of India on January 18, 2019 and retired on May 14, 2023.
- Chairman of the 22nd Law Commission: Justice Rituraj Awasthi.

### Neeru Yadav participates in National 'Sarpanch Shakti' training programme

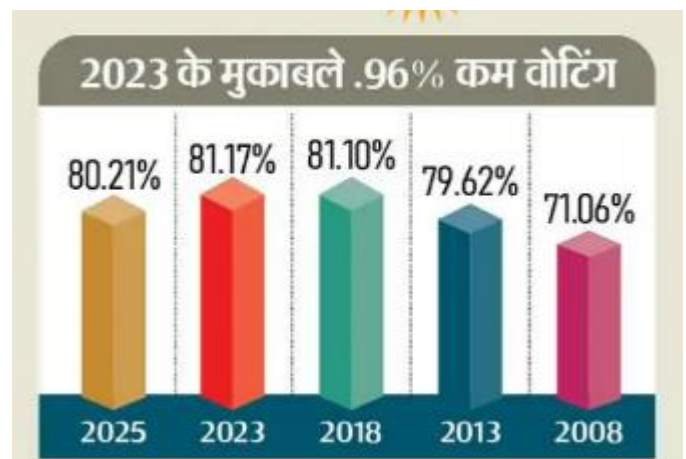
- The Quality Council of India (QCI) organized a four-day national training programme 'Sarpanch Shakti' in New Delhi.
- It was attended by 50 innovative and influential Sarpanches from across the country.
- From Rajasthan, it also included Neeru Yadav, Sarpanch of Gram Panchayat Lambi Ahir in Jhunjhunu district.
- In this, Neeru Yadav shared the innovations and progressive work done in the Panchayat.

### Anta by-election: Congress' Pramod Jain Bhaya wins

- Congress candidate Pramod Jain Bhaya defeated BJP's Morpal Suman by a margin of 15,612 votes.

- Pramod Jain Bhaya got a total of 69,571 votes, BJP candidate 53,959 and independent Naresh Meena got 53,800 votes.
- This was Pramod Jain Bhaya's third win for the field for the 5th consecutive time.
- Prior to this, he was an Independent MLA from Baran from 2003 to 2008.
- After the victory of the Congress, its total strength in the House has reached 67 MLAs.

Political Parties	Seats
Bharatiya Janata Party	118
Indian National Congress	67
Bharat Adivasi Party	4
Bahujan Samaj Party	2
Rashtriya Lok Dal	1
Independent	8



- In the last 23 months of Rajasthan, the BJP has won 5 seats, the Congress 2 and the BAP 1.
- **Bharatiya Janata Party:** Jhunjhunu, Deoli-Uniara, Khinvsar, Ramgarh, Salumbar.
- **Indian National Congress:** Dausa, Anta.
- **Bharat Adivasi Party:** Chaurasi.

## Famous Personalities & Important Appointments

Name	Post/ Achievement	Key facts
Anil Kaushik	Additional Solicitor General (ASG)	Appointment to the Supreme Court; Tenure 3 years; By the Central Government
Manasvi Agarwal	The first Rajasthani to hoist the tricolour over Antarctica	Mountaineer of Udaipur; Conquered Vinson Massif (~5000m) on 12 December 2025

Shashikant	Chief Town Planner, Rajasthan	Appointed by the State Government
Vikram Singh	Rollball World Cup – Technical Officer	7th World Cup (Dubai); Coach of Indian Men's Team in 2023, Silver Medal
Lalchand	International Volleyball Referee	Passed the AVC exam in Tashkent; Rajasthan's third international referee
Anjali Singh	National Youth Parliament 2025 – 1st Place	Student of Jhunjhunu (Rajasthan)
Sagar Mal Dhayal	World Boxing Cup – Observer	Dronacharya Awardee, Chief Coach of Railway Boxing Team, Rajasthan
Amira Moreno	Miss Teen Universe 2025	Venezuelan winner, Grand Finale in Jaipur, Teens (under 20 years)
Ajay Rastogi	RCA 's Ombudsman	Former Supreme Court judge, RCA disputes heard before Lokpal
Vasudev Devnani	Representation at the Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference	Speaker of Rajasthan Legislative Assembly, 68th Conference, Barbados
Virendra Poonia	Dronacharya Award Selection Committee Member	Committee constituted by AFI, Chief Sports Officer of Rajasthan State Sports Council
DG Special Operations (Post)	New Post in Rajasthan Police	Post Created First time, SOG, ATS, AGTF, ANTF under him
Anand Srivastava	DG Special Operations	Action against Gangsters, Drug Trafficking, Insurgency
Vishal Bansal	SOG Chief	Leadership of the Special Operations Unit
Shubham Sharma	Representing India in International Scouting	Asia-Pacific Forum & Conference in Taiwan, Youth Associate Member Award
Lorena Ruiz (Spain)	Miss Teen International 2025	Winner of the competition held in Jaipur
Lalit Kumar Kalal	President of Ring Tennis Federation of India	Elected unopposed from Rajasthan
K.R.V. Shyam Sundar	Secretary general	Telangana
Vivek Jain	Mount Elbrus Conquer	Europe's highest peak (5642m), Jaipur resident
Prof. Nand Kishore Pandey	Vice-Chancellor, Haridev Joshi University of Journalism	Appointment 3 years or up to 70 years
Dr. Shivam Agarwal MD	India's Representation at G-20 Youth Summit (Y20)	From Sikar district, topic: Climate change
Tejashwi Singh Gehlot	Co-Chair of the KIUG 2025 Technical Committee	President – Rajasthan State Olympic Association
Twinkle Purohit	Miss Rajasthan 2025	27th edition held in Jaipur
Madan Gopal Vyas	Chairman of the RERA Appellate Tribunal	Former Rajasthan HC Judge, Tenure: 5 years or 67 years
Aastha Mathur	BCCI Match Referee Panel	Rajasthan's 2nd woman, 5th rank in the exam
Prof. Yogesh Joshi	Discovery of new fungus species	4 New Species from the Himalayas, Journal Taiwan (June 2025)
Prof. Gaurav Vallabh	Members of the PM Economic Advisory Council	Economist, native of Peepad (Jodhpur)

V. Srinivas (IAS)	President of IAS	1998 batch IAS, first IAS president in 75 years
Prof. Bhagwati Prasad Saraswat	Vice-Chancellor of Kota University	Tenure: 3 years or 70 years
Subhranshu Singh	World's Most Influential CMOs (Forbes 2025)	Tata Motors CMO, the only non-American/European
Dr. Aditya Nag MD	Indian Soft Hockey League Vice President	Appointed by ASHFI, Karnataka State In-charge
Dr. Lalit K Panwar	NITI Aayog – Special Invitee Advisor	Tourism Sector Specialist, Ex-IAS
Kanwarlal Meena	Termination of Assembly membership	BJP MLA from Anta, sentenced to 3 years, His membership of the Legislative Assembly ended on May 1, reducing the House strength to 199.
Jaikrishna Patel	MLA arrested for taking bribe	Rajasthan's first MLA caught taking 20 lakh bribe by ACB
Dr. Soumya Gurjar	Representation of India in BRICS Assembly	Jaipur Greater Mayor, Conference in Brazil
Deepak Verma	RCA Ombudsman & Ethics Officer	Former Supreme Court Judge
Pradeep Shekhawat	Chief Information Commissioner of Haryana (Additional Charge)	Senior Journalist, Jhunjhunu Resident
Dr. Ramesh Raliya	US Patent for Nano Fertilizer	NPK Nano-Formulation, Jodhpur resident
Lavmeet Kataria	Indian Senior Volleyball Team Selectors	Former Indian captain, Jaipur
Amararam Gurjar	High Commissioner of India to Malawi	IFS 2008 Batch, Original: Pali
Mohini Didi	Chief Administrator of Brahma Kumaris	6th Chief Administrator, 84 years old
Surendra Singh Gurjar	Jury Members at KIYG 2025	Archery Competition, Bihar
Ashok Kumar Sharma	Vice President of ABFI	President of Rajasthan Baseball Association
Dr. Ramesh Gandhi	WHO – Communication Working Group (CWG) Member	Appointed by the WHO Civil Society Commission, an expert in health communication and tobacco control
Avinash Tripathi	India's representation at Cannes Film Festival	From Jaipur, to address African filmmakers
Dipendra Singh Khangarot	President of Rajasthan Archery Association	Tenure 4 years
Kutle Khan	Presentation at IIFA Awards (3rd time)	Rajasthan's first folk artists, previous productions: 2016, 2019
Dr. Pramod Yeole	Vice Chancellor of RUHS	First-time non-medical vice-chancellor, tenure 5 years or 70 years
Angela Swamy	Mrs. Universe 2025	Bikaner Resident, Event: Pattaya (Thailand)
Nidhi Saxena	World Premiere at Venice Film Festival	Film: Secrets of Mountain Serpent, 82nd edition

Mahavir Prasad Saini	Coach of the Indian Paraathletics Team	Dronacharya Awardee, World Para Grand Prix 2025
Dr. Saurabh Sharma	WACS World Chef Education Committee Member	Among India's 4 Selected Chefs
Chaitanya M. Saxena	National Jeev Daya Award	Outstanding Service in Animal Welfare Sector, Jaipur
Rahul Sharma	India's Representation at BIMSTEC Summit	Meeting of 7 countries, 16-member international team leads, recommendation committee chairman
Madan Rathod	BJP Rajasthan State President	Current Rajya Sabha MP, 3 years
Sanjay Agarwal	CII Rajasthan President	Term 2025-26, Vice-President: Rajneesh Bhandari
C.P. Joshi	Chairman of Lok Sabha Petitions Committee	Chittorgarh MP, PSU & Energy Committee Member
Vaidya Tarachand Sharma	Dhanvantari Awards	Ayurveda's highest honour, ₹5 lakh award
Rajiv Singh Thakur	NITI Aayog Advisory	Rajasthan Cadre IAS (1995 Batch), post Temporary Additional Secretary level
Kapil Dev Meena	Included in Antarctica Expedition-2025	IMD Officer, Climate and Weather Research
Akhil	Suryakiran Aerobatics Team	Pilot from Jaipur
Rajesh Prajapat	Suryakiran Aerobatics Team	Sikar resident pilot
Rajesh Sharma	Chairman of RERC	Retired IAS, former member
Pankaj Kumar Choudhary	Demotion of IPS officer	For the first time in Rajasthan, 2009 batch
Imran Khan	Global Teacher Prize – Top 10	The only teacher from India, resident of Alwar
Lakshya (Sriganganagar)	Anti-drug campaign	10-Year-Old Girl, Brand Ambassador, Swears in 50,000+ People
Sushil Sharma	BRICS Chamber of Commerce Vice President	CEO of Startup (Investment) Wing, Marwari Catalysts
Krishna Poonia	Member of the AFI Athletes' Commission	Former Olympian, 5-member commission to address the problems of sportspersons
Rajesh Nirvana	DG, BCAS	1992 batch IPS (Rajasthan cadre), currently DG Home Guards
Neeraj Choudhary	State Icon of Rajasthan Election Department	Mountaineer, Participation in Voter Awareness Activities
Dr. Ramnivas MD	Prestigious Pravasi Bharatiya Samman	Overseas Rajasthani, Sanskrit Teaching in Myanmar
Dr. Dashrath Singh Shekhawat MD	Most Educated Person of the World	108 academic degrees, UN Book of World Records
Dr. Chandrashekhar Changeria MD	Temple Architect	Chittorgarh Resident, Ganesh Temple Design in Nepal
Vikramsinh Rathore	Nomad Brand Ambassador (Rajasthan)	For the housing campaign of nomadic/semi-nomadic castes

## New Vice Chancellor of Rajasthan University

University	Head
Swami Kesavananda Rajasthan Agricultural University	Dr. Rajendra Dubey
Jagadguru Ramanandacharya Rajasthan Sanskrit University, Jaipur	Prof. Madan Mohan Jha
Agricultural University, Kota	Dr. Vimla Dunkwal
University of Agriculture, Jodhpur	Dr. Virendra Singh Jetawat MD
Sri Karna Narendra Agricultural University, Jobner	Prof. Pushpendra Singh Chauhan
Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture & Technology, Udaipur	Dr. Pratap Singh
Jai Narayan Vyas University, Jodhpur	Prof. Pawan Kumar Sharma
Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Ayurved Vishwavidyalaya, Jodhpur	Prof. Govind Sahay Shukla
Rajasthan Technical University, Kota	Prof. Nimit Ranjan Chowdhury
Rajasthan Veterinary & Animal Sciences University, Bikaner	Dr. Sumant Vyas
Vardhman Mahavir Open University, Kota	Prof. B.L. Verma
Maharshi Dayanand Saraswati University (MDSU), Ajmer	Prof. Suresh Kumar Agarwal
Bikaner Technical University	Prof. Akhil Ranjan Garg

## Obituary of Prominent Personalities of Rajasthan (2025)

Name	Position/Role	Key facts
Dr. Rattlal Jat	Former MLA, former minister, higher education minister	From Sahara Assembly constituency, Chairman of the State Seed Corporation in 2005–2008
Vijay Singh Palayatha	Former MLA, State President of Bharatiya Jana Sangh	MLA from Digod (Kota) (1975–1998)
Bharat Singh Kundanpur	Former MLA, Minister of Panchayati Raj and Public Works	4-time MLA from Sangod assembly constituency
Ashk Ali Tak	Former Rajya Sabha MP, former minister	Hanumangarh native, MLA from Fatehpur assembly constituency
Rameshwar Dudi	Former Leader of Opposition, MLA, MP	From Nokha constituency, Panchayat Samiti Pradhan, District Chief, Bikaner MP, Leader of Opposition in the 14th Legislative Assembly
Girraj Prasad Tiwari	Former Assembly Speaker, MLA	8th Legislative Assembly Speaker (1986–1990), MLA from Bharatpur and Bayana
Navrang Singh Jakhar	Former MLA	2 times MLA from Nawalgarh (1977, 1985), Chief Whip of the Vidhan Sabha and Chairman of Committees
Colonel Sonaram Chowdhury	Former MP, ex-MLA	Four-time Member of Parliament from Barmer–Jaisalmer, one-time MLA; served with both the Congress and the BJP.

Madan Kaur	Former MLA, former minister	3 time MLA from Pachpadra (1967–80), 1 time MLA from Gudhamalani (1989), Minister of Forest and Environment (1990–92)
Arjun Singh Shekhawat	Author	A resident of Bhadarlau in Pali district, struggling for constitutional recognition of Rajasthani language, Padma Shri Awardee (2021)
Girija Vyas	Former Union Minister, Congress Leader	MLA from Udaipur (1985), 4 time Lok Sabha MP (Udaipur and Chittorgarh), Deputy Minister of Information and Broadcasting, former National Commission for Women Chairperson
Rajyogini Dadi Ratan Mohini	Head of Brahma Kumaris Ashram	101-year-old, Chief Administrator of Brahma Kumaris Ashram, born in Sindh Hyderabad
Arvind Singh Mewar	Former royal family members	Contribution to the preservation of art, culture and heritage of Udaipur, gives Udaipur a new identity in the destination wedding and hotel industry
Himmat Shah	Sculptor	Contribution to Terracotta Heads, Burnt Paper Collages and Silver Paintings of Rajasthan, Lalit Kala Akademi National Award, Bombay Art Society Award, Sahitya Kala Parishad Award
Dr. Mahendra Bhanwat	Folk art specialist	Former Director of the Indian Folk Art Circle, Udaipur, Major Works: 'Rajasthan Swar Lahari', 'Nirbhay Meera', Distinguished Literary Award by Rajasthan Sahitya Akademi, Marwar Ratna Komal Kothari Award, Folk Art Award
Kamala Bhil	Former MLA, Minister of State	A resident of Sagwara, a three-time MLA from Sagwara in Dungarpur (1980–92), she was Minister of State and Deputy Minister in various departments in the state

## 2. Places in News

### Alwar's Siliserh Lake gets Ramsar site status

- Siliserh Lake located in Alwar district of Rajasthan has been recognized as a Ramsar site under the Ramsar Convention.
- The total number of Ramsar sites in India has gone up to 96.
- There are now a total of 5 Ramsar sites in Rajasthan.

#### 5 Ramsar Sites in Rajasthan

Ramsar Sites	Announcement year	District
Keoladeo Ghana National Park	1981	Bharatpur
Sambhar Lake	1990	Jaipur
Menar Wetland Site	2025	Udaipur
Khichan Wetland Site	2025	Phalodi
<b>Siliserh Lake (latest)</b>	2025	<b>Alwar</b>

### Country's first interstate tiger translocation

- This is the first inter-state tiger translocation aimed at increasing the genetic diversity of tigers in Rajasthan.
- Under this, the tigress was released directly from Pench Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh to Ramgarh Vishdhari Tiger Reserve.
- One tigress was brought to Jaipur from Pench Tiger Reserve in Madhya Pradesh by an IAF helicopter Mi-17.

### New airbase to come up at Sadulshahr in Rajasthan

- In Rajasthan, land will be acquired for the airbase in Sadulshahr tehsil of Sriganganagar district.
- The airbase will be set up at Lalgarh Jatan and surrounding area of Sadulshahr tehsil.
- This will be the sixth airbase in Rajasthan after Jodhpur, Uttarlai (Barmer), Jaisalmer, Nal (Bikaner) and Suratgarh (Sriganganagar).
- This will be the second Air Force Station in Sriganganagar district, while the Suratgarh Air Force Station already exists.

### Rajasthan's first biowaste de-composition plant

- A biowaste de-composition plant based on the Surat model will be set up in Muhana Mandi, Jaipur.
- This will be the first plant in Rajasthan to produce CBG gas on its own.
- In this plant, CBG (Compressed Bio Gas) will be made from about 50 tonnes of green waste coming out of the market daily.

### Jalore to become Rajasthan's largest bio-CNG production hub

- The bio-CNG gas in Rajasthan will be produced at Chandrai village in Ahor area of Jalore district.
- A total of 10 bio-CNG plants will be set up here with an investment of about Rs 600 crore.
- This will be the first of its kind in Rajasthan after Gujarat and the largest bio-CNG project in Rajasthan.
- A pipeline network will be developed to transport gas to different parts of Rajasthan.

### 5 districts of Rajasthan selected among 20 hi-tech cyber fusion centers in the country

- The Union Home Ministry will set up 20 hi-tech cyber fusion centres in the country for faster and technology-based action on cyber crimes .
- 5 districts of Rajasthan Bhiwadi, Alwar, Khairthal-Tijara, Deeg and Sawai Madhopur police districts have been included in the priority list.
- The Fusion Centres will function as a modern cyber control room, where investigations will be carried out with real-time monitoring and advanced technology.
- A state level cyber fusion centre will be set up in Jaipur for coordination with the entire state.

### Kota: India's longest 8-lane tunnel

- The country's longest 8-lane tunnel of 4.80 km is being built on the Delhi-Mumbai Expressway in Kota.

- One of the two tunnels being built near Chechat is likely to be commissioned by March 2026.
- The tunnel is being built under a nearly 600 feet high hill of the Mukundra Hills Tiger Reserve.
- After the opening of the tunnel, the travel time from Delhi to Mumbai will be reduced from about 24 hours to 12 hours.

#### **Rajasthan's first government poison detection and drug level lab**

- Rajasthan's first government poison detection and drug level lab is being set up at Sawai Mansingh Hospital in Jaipur.
- With the start of this lab, patients affected by the consumption of toxic substances like pesticides, sleeping pills or sulfos will be treated on the basis of scientific investigation.

#### **Centre of Excellence for conservation and promotion of indigenous bovines**

- A Centre of Excellence for conservation and promotion of indigenous bovines will be set up at the Animal Research Centre at Dag in Jhalawar district.
- The centre will carry out works related to conservation, upgradation and breed improvement of Malvi and Gir breeds and other local bovines.

#### **Twelfth Herbivorous wildlife enclosure to be built to increase pre-base for panther-cheetah**

- A special herbivore enclosure for herbivorous wildlife will be developed in the Shahabad Foothills Conservation Reserve of Baran district.
- The purpose is to strengthen the prey-base for panthers and other carnivores.
- Herbivorous wildlife like deer, sambar, chital will be brought from other areas and released here by the forest department.

#### **PM Gati Shakti Multimodal Logistics Terminal**

- The Rajasthan State Industrial Development and Investment Corporation (RIICO) has also approved the establishment of the PM Gati Shakti Multimodal Logistics Terminal.
- The project will be set up in the **RIICO Industrial Area located in Parbatsar Phase II of the Kuchaman-Didwana region.**

#### **IT Technocity to be set up in Jodhpur on the lines of Dubai**

- An MoU has been signed between the state government and the investor to develop Jodhpur as an IT hub.
- Under this, a modern IT technology city like Dubai will be developed in Jodhpur.
- In the first phase, employment opportunities will be created for about 60,000 youth.

#### **"Centre of Excellence for Climate Change Adaptation" to be set up in Jaipur**

- This centre will be developed in Jagatpura area of Jaipur.
- This will be the first of its kind in Rajasthan.
- The Rajasthan Pollution Control Board has been entrusted with the responsibility of setting up and operating the centre.
- Along with this, IIT Jodhpur has been made the knowledge partner of this institute, for which an MoU will be signed between the two institutions.

#### **Two billion-year-old rocks discovered in Udaipur's Iswal area**

- Rocks of the Aravalli range of about two billion years old have been found in the Iswal area of Udaipur.
- Dr. Ritesh Purohit and his international team from the Department of Geology, Mohanlal Sukhadia University have done this research.
- In this research, chemical signals have been found, which can be helpful in understanding the origin of life on Earth.
- The study has challenged the old assumptions surrounding the origin of microcarbonate spheres called ooids.

#### **Evidence of 4,500-year-old civilization in Bansial village of Jhunjhunu**

- Evidence of a civilization dating back to about 4,500 years has been found in Bansial village, 65 km from Jhunjhunu district .
- The materials found in the excavation were walls made of lime powder, copper rings, bone tools and jewelry.
- This site is believed to be associated with the Chalcolithic culture.

#### **India's first zinc park to be set up in Rajasthan**

- The first zinc park will be set up in Rajasthan.
- The Zinc Park will be developed in the vicinity of Hindustan Zinc's Mining-Smelting Complexes at Chanderia, Dariba and Debari.

- **Hindustan Zinc and RIICO** have jointly proposed to build the country's first zinc park.

#### Inland port to be built in Jalore

- An inland port (waterway) will be set up at Jalore **for direct waterway connectivity to Rajasthan from the Arabian Sea through the Gulf of Kutch.**
- The MoU for the construction of the Inland Port was signed between the Rajasthan River Basin and Water Resources Planning Authority and the Inland Waterways Authority of India in Mumbai.
- The width of the proposed waterway will be 45 meters and the depth will be 8 meters.
- Rajasthan will have about 14 km of this waterway.

#### Confirmation of Garnet Reserves in Kocharia-Sundarpura Area

- The presence of garnet was recorded in the Kocharia area, 25 km from Bhilwara.
- The reserves in the Kocharia-Sundarpura area are spread over a total of 73.62 hectares. The size of the crystals found here is 2–5 cm.
- This mineral extends from 50 to 180 meters in width in two major branches.
- Garnet mineral lease in Rajasthan will be offered for auction for the first time.

#### India's largest solar-battery storage project to be built in Bikaner

- India's largest combined solar power and battery storage project will be set up in Bikaner.
- The total capacity of the project is set at 2450 MW solar generation and 5000 MWh of battery storage.
- The project will increase the production of low-cost solar energy.
- In terms of capacity, the project will be larger than the current Bhadla Solar Park (2245 MW) in Rajasthan.

#### India's first modern renewable energy research centre to be developed in Phalodi (BAP)

- The Rajasthan Solar Association (RSA) will construct a state-of-the-art renewable energy research and development centre and Sun Temple **at Baap in Phalodi.**
- This centre will be the country's first modern renewable energy research centre.
- Project area — 15,000 sq. m.

#### Second phase of Jaipur Metro

- The construction work of the second phase of the Jaipur Metro project began in December 2025.
- The Delhi Metro Rail Corporation (DMRC) was awarded the consultancy work for this project.



#### Key Features of the Project

- **Total Length:** Approximately 42.80 km
- **Route:** From Prahladpura on Tonk Road to Todi Mor on Sikar Road
- It will have a total of 36 metro stations — including 34 elevated and 2 underground stations.

#### Jaipur – North India's first robotic implant hub

- In an international panel held on 1st November 2025, Jaipur was declared North India's first robotic implant hub, touting Immediate Load Implant Dentistry and Robotic Implant Surgery as the medical technology of the future.

#### First electric bus manufacturing unit to be set up in Rajasthan

- A large production unit for electric bus and charging infrastructure will be set up in Ghiloth Industrial Area of Alwar district **in Rajasthan.**
- It will be the state's first electric bus manufacturing unit.
- **RIICO has issued an offer letter to PMI Electro Mobility Solutions Private Limited** to allot 65.56 acres of land for setting up this unit.

#### Rajasthan's first 'NaMo Biodiversity Park'

- Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav inaugurated Rajasthan's first 'NaMo Biodiversity Park' at Pratap Dam in Alwar on 5th October 2025.

- The park aims to increase greenery, purify the air, and encourage environmental awareness.

#### **New gold reserves found in Banswara**

- The Geological Survey Department (GSI) has found indications of gold and other mineral deposits in Banswara district of Rajasthan.
- These stores, in particular, are located in the Kankariaghara block of Ghatol.
- The block covers an area of about 2.59 sq km spread over four villages .
- So far, evidence of 11.48 crore tonnes of gold reserves has been found in the two blocks.
- **Note:** Earlier, gold deposits have been found in Bhukhia-Jagpura area of Ghatol.

#### **Rajasthan's first turtle conservation centre in Dholpur**

- Rajasthan will now set up the state's first turtle breeding and conservation centre in Dholpur district **to protect rare turtles and dolphins.**
- The centre has been designed by the World Wildlife Fund (WWF).
- The proposal has been sent to the Chief Wildlife Conservator of Rajasthan.

#### **Rajasthan's first Community Radio Station launched in Udaipur**

- Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology (MPUAT), Udaipur has launched the state's first community radio station.
- Now 90.4 FM will broadcast useful programmes for farmers, women and students every day.

#### **Rajasthan's first KMC Lounge**

- Rajasthan's Tribal Development Minister Shri Babulal Kharadi launched Rajasthan's first Kangaroo Mother Care (KMC) Lounge at the Community Health Centre in Kherwara, Udaipur on October 11.
- Kherwara is an aspirational block, and such initiatives are a significant step towards providing integrated, dignified and sustainable care to mothers and newborns in rural areas.

#### **Pushkar: Rajasthan's first tertiary treatment plant pilot project**

- In Rajasthan, treated water from sewerage treatment plants will now be used in agricultural and industrial areas.

- For this, Pushkar Sewerage Treatment Plant (STP) has been selected as a model project.
- This will be the first such project in the state, where STP water will be treated in high quality from a tertiary treatment plant. If it succeeds, it will be implemented in other districts.

#### **Lithium reserves from Degana, Nagaur**

- After confirmation of large reserves of lithium in the sandy hills of Degana area of Nagaur district, the Ministry of Mines has started the auction process.
- With the start of mining, both revenue and employment will increase in the state and the country's dependence on China will be reduced.
- Critical minerals (such as lithium, rare earth, tungsten, rock phosphate) are auctioned by the Ministry of Mines.

#### **Launch of Cloud Seeding Trial in Jamwaramgarh**

- The process of artificial rain with drones was started on 12th August 2025 in the area of Jamwaramgarh Dam in Jaipur. However, the attempts were unsuccessful.
- **For the first time in the country, drone-propelled artificial rain** was attempted in this area.
- Artificial rain (cloud seeding) was planned to fill the Ramgarh Dam.
- The main objective of this test is to revive Ramgarh Lake, reduce the water crisis, and restore the balance of the ecosystem in the region.

#### **Khairthal-Tijara district to be renamed as Bhartriharinagar**

- The Rajasthan government has announced to rename Khairthal-Tijara district as Bhartriharinagar.
- Apart from this, Bhiwadi will be made the headquarters of this district.
- The decision was taken on the recommendation of the State Administrative Unit Restructuring Advisory Committee headed by former IAS officer Lalit K Panwar.

#### **Union Cabinet approves Kota Greenfield Airport**

- Cabinet approves development of Greenfield Airport at Kota-Bundi.
- The airport will be constructed at **Shambhupura (between Kota-Bundi)**, about 20 km from the existing airport.

- Here it will be possible to operate aircraft of the A-321 class.
- Along with this, the modern terminal building will be built in an area of 20,000 square meters, which will be able to handle 1000 passengers (PHPs) at a time and will have a capacity of 20 lakh passengers (MPPA) per year.

#### **Rajasthan's Udaipur included in the list of 31 wetland cities in the world**

- Udaipur in Rajasthan and Indore in Madhya Pradesh have been included in the 31 wetland cities of the world.
- UNESCO's Ramsar has included both cities as wetland cities.
- Ramsar cities encompass not just the reservoir, but the entire environment of the region, which consists of aquatic and terrestrial habitat.

#### **Rajasthan's first heritage-based Centre of Excellence**

- The Mahatma Gandhi Institute of Governance and Social Sciences has been built in Jaipur, Rajasthan.
- It has been named as Center of Excellence by creating schools, colleges, libraries, tinkering labs, learning centers, hostels and academic blocks.
- It has been developed on the lines of Tata Institute of Social Science Mumbai and Maharashtra Institute of Technology School of Governance Pune.

#### **Huge reserves of rare earth minerals found in Balotra**

- Large deposits of rare earth elements have been identified in Bhati Khera area of Siwana tehsil of Balotra district **of Rajasthan**.
- Rare earth elements have been identified in the granite hard rock located in Bhati Khera block.
- This will be the first area in India where rare earth minerals will be mined from hard rock.
- The rhyolite rocks found here are useful in the manufacture of electronics, defense, green energy, high-power magnets, aerospace, and other advanced equipment.

#### **Rare mineral discovered in the hills of Siwana (Balotra)**

- The Department of Atomic Energy has discovered 1,11,845 tonnes of rare earth element oxide (REO) in the hard rocky terrain in the hills of Siwana in Balotra, Rajasthan.

- In this context, exploration is taking place under the National Mission on Critical Minerals.

#### **World's First International Tiger Museum**

- Union Forest Minister Bhupender Yadav has announced that the world's first International Tiger Museum will be built in **Alwar, Rajasthan**.
- The museum will be set up near the proposed zoo in the Katighati area.
- The museum will showcase information, exhibitions and artefacts related to tigers.

#### **Inter-State corridor developed for Cheetah in 7 districts of Rajasthan**

- The Cheetah Corridor from Kuno in Madhya Pradesh to Gandhi Sagar will be connected to 7 districts of Rajasthan.
- The corridor will cover an area of about 17,000 sq km, out of which about 6,500 sq km will be in Rajasthan.
- In Rajasthan, the corridor will pass through the districts of Kota, Bundi, Baran, Jhalawar, Sawai Madhopur, Karauli and Chittorgarh (including Rawatbhata).
- It will also cover an area of about 450 square kilometers of Hadoti region.
- An MoU has been signed between the Government of Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh for this project.

#### **Inauguration of First Science Centre at Dholpur**

- Union Minister for Science and Technology, Dr Jitendra Singh inaugurated the first Science Centre of Aspirational Districts at Dholpur in Rajasthan.
- The centre has been set up with the aim of encouraging scientific thinking, innovation and curiosity among the local youth.
- It has been developed in collaboration with the Department of Biotechnology, National Institute of Immunology and National Science Centre.

#### **Rajasthan's first mineral park**

- This park is being developed in Bamaniyawas village under Bassi Jajra Gram Panchayat of Jobner tehsil of Jaipur district on 11 hectares of pasture land.
- It will be developed by Rajasthan Small Mines, Cheza Stone Lease Holders Association and Rajasthan Stone Crusher Association.

### Rajasthan's first Vande Bharat Maintenance Depot

- Rajasthan's first Vande Bharat Train Maintenance Depot is under development at Khatipura, Jaipur.
- Eight rail lines of 600-800 meters length are being laid in this depot, where modern machinery related to mechanical, electrical and civil engineering will be installed.

### Bikaner: India's first Government Sainik Girls School

- The school is located in **Jaimalsar**, Bikaner, about 150 km from the Indo-Pak border.
- The school was inaugurated by Union Minister Arjun Ram Meghwal and State Education Minister Madan Dilawar.
- It was donated by industrialist Poonamchand Rathi to 30 acres of land and buildings worth Rs 108 crore. It is a fully residential school.

### The country's largest Panchakarma center

- The country's largest international level Panchakarma Centre is being constructed at Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan Ayurveda University, Jodhpur.
- This center is being built in 2.80 hectares at a cost of Rs 43 crore.
- In this, diseases like insomnia, joint and knee pain, skin diseases and paralysis will be treated with the Panchakarma method.

Subject	Place	Key Points
Budget Approval for Religious Tourist Sites	Keshoraipatan (Bundi), Khatushyamji, Karnimata (Bikaner), Malaseri Dungri (Bhilwara)	₹180 crore sanctioned by the central government; Several projects under the CBDD scheme across the country
Rare Earth Niobium Deposits	Siwana Ring Complex, Barmer	Niobium 246–1681 ppm; zirconium 800–12000 ppm; Important for EV, nuclear and space use
Geological feature of Siwana region	Barmer	70–800 million years old volcanic zone; Rare Earth density ~100 times higher than normal
Metal & Stone Sector CFC	Jodhpur	₹1800 lakh cost; State-of-the-art facility for Wooden Handicrafts and Furniture Industry
Freight Subsidy Provision	Rajasthan	25% Freight Subsidy for Exports under Investment Promotion Scheme – 2024
Atal Poetry Memorial	Mansarovar City Park, Jaipur	e-library and literary center; In memory of Atal Bihari Vajpayee
Atal Democracy Garden	Jaipur	Green Public Spaces Dedicated to Democracy and Parliamentary Traditions
Maharishi Dayanand Panorama	Ajmer	Construction at Dayananda Saraswati's Nirvana Sthali; Focus on Arya Samaj and Social Reform
Jodhpur-Pali-Marwar Industrial Area	Jodhpur-Pali Region	~3600 hectares; The largest industrial township in the state
Industrial Township Characteristics	Jodhpur-Pali-Marwar	Work-to-Home Model; Residential, Commercial & Recreational Activities
DMIC Project (Node)	Rajasthan	SPV formed; RIICO 51%, NICDIT 49%; Part of Delhi-Mumbai Industrial Corridor

Apache helicopter deployment	Jodhpur Military Station	6 AH-64E Apache; Joined Army Aviation Corps Squadron; Squadron Establishment March 2024
Disaster Data Recovery Center	Loradi Panditji, Jodhpur	Budget 2024-25 announcement; 25,000 square meters of land; Backup and Quick Restore of Government Digital Data in Disaster/Cyber Attack
Discovery of rare snakes	Pratapgarh (dry deciduous forest)	First identification of Indian Smooth Snake and Slender Coral Snake; Snake species in the state increase to 45
Earthquake High Risk Zone	Jaipur, Alwar, Bhiwadi	BIS new map shows zone-4; 5-6 magnitude earthquake; New standards of construction implemented
JNVU Career-Focused University	Jodhpur	Apprenticeship Embedded Degree; Under NEP-2020; Degree + 1 year Apprenticeship & Stipend
Composite License for Gold and Other Minerals	Banswara, Salumbar etc.	2 new gold blocks; Auction Process of Gold, Copper, Lead-Zinc, Garnet, Limestone
Gold Block in Rajasthan	Banswara (Major)	18+ Gold Blocks; Highest in Banswara (Jagpura, Bhukiya, Delwara, Panch Mahuri)
Vande Bharat Sleeper Train Speed Trial	Kota-Nagda route	180 km/h Successful trial; Stability Safety and Brake System Checks
Kishangarh Airport Land Allotment	Kishangarh	15 acres of additional land; ILS and 900 Meter Approach Lights; Night and fog operations possible
RUHS Critical Care Block	Jaipur	ICU beds, ventilators, modular OT, dialysis; For the treatment of critical patients
Chonp Stadium (Anil Agarwal International Cricket Stadium)	Chonp Village, Jaipur-Delhi Bypass	India's second largest stadium and the world's third-largest stadium; 100 acres; 75,000 spectator capacity; ₹300 crore agreement for first phase
Industrial and Logistics Development Centre	Jaipur	a three-level industrial corridor system; Development of storage capacity; Base model of industrial network of border states
World's First Ayurvedic Centre of Excellence	Jaipur	Responsibilities of National Institute of Ayurveda; Database of Identification and Properties of Medicinal Plants
20 million year old fossils	Megha Village, Fatehgarh (Jaisalmer)	phytosaur fossils from pre-Jurassic times; First discovery in India
Rajasthan's first Sex sorted semen lab	Bassi, Jaipur	RCDF at Frozen Semen Bank; NDDB Collaboration; The state's first lab
Rajasthan's first snake park	Bundi Road, Kota	CZZA approved; 29 species of snakes; Near Herbal Park

Rajasthan's first automatic hi-tech dam	Isarda Dam (Banas River)	3.24 TMC in the first phase, 7.53 TMC in the second; Drinking water to Dausa and Sawai Madhopur
Bhagwan Devnarayan Corridor	Bhilwara District	PRASAD scheme; 30 km area; 5 Venues including Malaassery Dungri
India's first sickle cell hub	Udaipur	the Digitized Sickle Cell Wellness Hub; Screening, Counselling & OPD
First sensor-equipped hanging bridge	Banswara (Mahi-Anas Sangam)	906 metres long; ₹105 crore; Real-Time Load Monitoring
The latest technology-based plant in the AI field	Bassi, Jaipur	Sachs sorted semen 10 lakh doses/year; NDDDB Support
Manekshaw Centre of Excellence	5 institutes including IIT Jodhpur	National Security Studies and Research; Self-reliance in defence technology
Ropeway Projects	Sawai Madhopur, Jaipur, Bundi, Chittorgarh, Banswara	5. DPR for ropeways at tourist/religious places; Length 600 m–6.60 km
Rajasthan's first film city	Jawai Dam Area, Sumerpur (Pali)	₹500 crore cost; 152 acres; The country's third largest film city; Between Marwar and Mewar
Veer Tejaji Maharaj Panorama	Sursura, Kishangarh Tehsil (Ajmer)	a grand panorama at the nirvana site of the folk deity Tejaji; Annual Fair
First Zero Liquid Discharge Plant	Jaipur Dairy	₹20 crore; NDDDB Collaboration; Saves 6.5 lakh litres of water per day
Oxygen Zone	Girada Village, Pali	30 Bigha land; 1 lakh+ plants; Dense forest cover in 3 years
International Driving Test Center	Singhwal, Ajmer	the country's first; Indian driving test mandatory for Saudi Arabia
PM-e Drive (e-Charging)	Jaipur, Udaipur	selection for e-charging infrastructure; Tier-2/3 cities included
Kota Greenfield Airport Runway	quota	3200 m proposed; Largest runway in Rajasthan; ILS Facility
Uttarlai Airport Notification	Uttarlai (Barmer)	Strategically important, respective villages – Chaklani, Beriwal, Lalni ki Dhani
Catchment Training Centre and Surface Barrier	Pipalantri (Rajsamand)	Madan Dilawar launches 111 saplings for every daughter, a model of environmental protection
RIICO land allotment in 3 districts	Bhilwara, Didwana-Kuchaman, Phalodi	Total ~142 hectares of land, approved for industrial development
Census pilot project	Barmer, Dungarpur	Geo-tagging of houses, household data collection, training of enumerators
JPMIA National Project	Jodhpur–Pali Region	New Industrial City under DMIC, 641 hectares, ₹465 crore, EPC model
AI based I-CAT software	Jaipur Range	Developed by I4C, Cyber Crime Detection, Pilot – Alwar, Bhiwadi, Khairthal-Tijara

ICVS Institute	SMS Hospital, Jaipur	5-storey building, 212 beds, laser angioplasty facility, services from March 2026
The country's first solar RMC plant	Jaipur	Shree Cement (Bangur), 100% renewable energy, reduction in carbon footprint
Wastewater Reuse Model	Jodhpur (Salavas)	Israel Cooperation, STP Based Agricultural Water Use, National Model
Railway Metal Beam Crash Barrier	Jodhpur Division	₹110 crore, 126 km track, speed up to 130 km/h
Largest Super Specialty Block	Ajmer (JLN Medical College)	15,000 sq m, ₹191 crore, benefits to western Rajasthan
Urban Flood Risk Programme (Phase-2)	11 cities (including Jaipur)	₹4645.60 crore, 90:10 Centre-State share, Flood Risk Reduction
The country's first private CPR center	Jaipur	Jain CPR Centre, 16 October 2025, CPR Training to Citizens
New Industrial Area (RICO)	Bhilwara (Dhuwala Village)	Mandal Tehsil, Land Sanction for Industrial Development
Sanganer-Bagru Print in Rail Facilities	Jaipur (Khatipura station)	Launched by Ashwini Vaishnaw, Printed Blanket Cover in AC Coach, Pilot Project in Jaipur-Asarwa Train
AI Hub and Data Center	Jaipur	Modern Artificial Intelligence Hub, Technological Innovation and Digital Infrastructure Boost
Cow Product Research Centre	Jaipur	15 acres of land, cow products research and training, 5 types of special training programs
Organic Food Market	Durgapura (Jaipur)	Organic products promoted every Saturday and Sunday at Agricultural Research Institute
MGNREGA Face Authentication (AI)	Quota (Pilot)	Verification of 80 lakh job cardholders, NMMS Face App, curbing fraud
Auction of Lithium Reserves	Revant Dungri (Nagaur)	Confirmation by GSI, Auction Process by Ministry of Mines, Energy Self-Sufficiency
6 New Smart Cities	Mandawa, Khatushyamji, Bhiwadi, Alwar, Bikaner, Bharatpur	JSCL appointed as PMC, development of urban infrastructure and e-governance
Polymer Mitral Valve Implant	SMS Hospital, Jaipur	World's first, useful for rheumatic heart disease, published in an international journal
New Auditorium and City Park	Anupgarh, Shahpura, Gangapur City, Kuchaman	Financial Sanction under Budget Announcement
2450 MW Solar Park	Pugal (Bikaner)	4770 hectares, ₹12,250 crore, battery storage system, central subsidy
Kota-Mathura Semi High Speed Rail	Rajasthan-Uttar Pradesh	Speed 160 km/h, part of Kavach 4.0 system, Delhi-Mumbai route

Government Cosmetic Laser Institute	SMS Hospital, Jaipur	Cost ₹7 crore, India's first government institution, laser and PRP facilities
Hop-on hop-off bus service	Jaipur	Department of Tourism–FlixBus partnership, heritage-themed buses, PPP model
19 Model Corridors	19 Districts of Rajasthan	7-7 km Route, Safe Roads Campaign, Development by PWD
Leopard Safari Project	Ajmer (Ganga-Bhairav Valley: Kazipura, Kharekhi, Ajaysar etc.)	Tourism on the lines of Ranthambore/Sariska/Jawai, costing ~₹19 crore, reconstruction of 7.5 km old track + 11.5 km new track
Legal Services Authorities in 8 New Districts	Phalodi, Didwana, Khairthal, Beawar, Barmer, Deeg, Kotputli, Salumbar	Approval by High Court consultation, covering the entire revenue area of the concerned district.
Soil Mapping in 12 Districts (NSMP)	Rajasthan (First phase: Tonk, Ajmer, Kota)	Mapping by SRSC, Proposal to Centre, National Soil Mapping Programme (Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare)
NaMo Toy Bank launched	Kota (Gumanpura)	18th September 2025, Free distribution to needy children → collection of toys in schools by Om Birla
Thai Medicine Study-Research Center	National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur	On February 27, 2025, the NIA–Thailand Dept. MoU between, Centre in Jaipur + Ayurveda Education/Research Centre in Thailand
Country's first state-level government hospital for robotic surgery facility for kidney cancer	SMS, Jaipur	10 times magnification, removing the tumor instead of removing the entire kidney, maintaining the functionality of the kidney
North India's first technology-based girls' football academy	Jawar (Udaipur)	Hindustan Zinc + AIFF Partnership, "Zinc Football Girls Academy", 20 U-15 girls selected
Gas production begins at Chinnewala	Jaisalmer (Chinnewala Tibba Block)	1 lakh cubic meters per day production, recommissioning of closed wells by ONGC
Indian Railways' First International Level Rifle Shooting Range	Ajmer	Launched by Railway + Ajmer Divisional Sports Federation, High Level Training Facility
Jodhpur-Pali Marwar Investment Zone (JPMAY/JPMIA)	Jodhpur–Pali	154 sq km (3604 ha) under NICDP/DMIC, 3 phases, ₹465 crore for the first phase, ~₹7500 crore investment and ~40,000 employment potential
Rajasthan's first biological garden with portable X-ray facility	Nahargarh Biological Park	Portable X-ray, multipara oximeter and modern surgical equipment, blood/urine analyzer will also be started at the Rescue Center Veterinary Hospital
The country's longest water tunnel	Kodiyat (Udaipur)	Water from Akodara Dam to Lakes, length ~11.1 km, under Dewas Project-2

Land allotment for Solar Park in Jaisalmer-Bikaner	Jaisalmer (Ramgarh, Fatehgarh), Bikaner (various villages)	Land sanctioned at several places including 5000+2700 MW (Ramgarh), 12,500 MW + 6,200 MW (Fatehgarh)
2 MW Solar Plant in Laxmansar	Laxmansar (Fatehgarh)	2 MW AC Grid Connected Plant under MRS Green Energy, PM-KUSUM
Kailadevi temple included in Shri Krishna Path Yatra	small dagger	The only Devi temple in Rajasthan that will be added to this circuit; Jagdishji Temple of Madan Mohanji/Kaimri also included
North India's first Green Hydrogen Cluster	IIT Jodhpur	PPP Model, ~₹205 crore, 350 t/yr (wastewater) + 15 t/yr (biomass), Usage: Transport/Ammonia/City Gas, 4th cluster of India (Others: Pune, Kerala, Bhubaneswar)
The world's second largest polymer injection (ASP) project	Barmer-Sanchor basin	Cairn (Vedanta), 200+ new wells, production up to 1.5 times, next phase from August 2025 Mangala field
Girls Military Schools in Five Divisions (First Phase)	Kota, Jaipur, Bikaner, Bharatpur, Ajmer	First of all, Bikaner (Jaimalsar), Residential & Free Facilities, Class 6-12, Principal, Military Officer, Education Department Control
Kargil Shaurya Vatika	Rajasthan Assembly Constituency	Vatika dedicated to Kargil martyrs, plantation of 1100 saplings on Hariyali Amavasya, inaugurated by Vidhan Sabha Speaker Vasudev Devnani
Air service proposal in 5 cities	Mount Abu, Sikar, Sawai Madhopur, Bhilwara, Sriganganagar	Helicopter Tourism, Joy Ride, Seaplane Service Offers, Minister of State for Civil Aviation: Gautam Kumar Dak
Miss Universe India 2026-27	Jaipur	Bharat 24 and Glamananda Entertainment partner, Dr. Jagdish Chandra Fashion Vertical CEO
Rajasthan's first solar lift irrigation project	Lohli Village, Bundi	On the Mej river, 25,000 bighas of land of 17 villages are irrigated at a cost of ₹52 crore.
Rajasthan's first Sant Kabir Research Centre	Kota (Mukundra Vihar)	3200 sq m of land, cost ₹20 crore, research on the life and literature of Sant Kabir
First transfer of black deer	Jaswantgarh Lakes Area, Sujangarh	450 hectare mini sanctuary, Boma technology, expansion of Talchhapar Sanctuary
The country's first 'cow safari'	Hingonia Goshala, Jaipur	17 indigenous breeds, currently 7 breeds, Go Parikrama and bullock cart facilities
Rifle-Machine Gun Manufacturing Plant	Jodhpur, Jaipur	Make in India, MoU over ₹1500 crore, Barrel Manufacturing Boranada
Robotic Hernia Surgery in SMS	SMS Hospital, Jaipur	First robotic hernia surgery at government hospital
Rajasthan Gas's first LNG station	Neemrana	₹15 crore cost, 2 tanks of 56 KL capacity, LNG dispenser

3 Sports Institutes in Jaipur	Jaipur	Sports Stadium (Bagru), Maharana Pratap Sports University (Achrol), Sports College
Nakki Lake Notified Area	Mount Abu	Over-protected status, a ban on disorderly development
Albert Hall 'Smart Museum'	Jaipur	₹25 crore project, AR, RFID, virtual tour, AI based features
Stone Park Installation	Kachhaliya Village, Taleda (Bundi)	47.07 hectares of land to RICO, non-polluting industries, Budget 2025-26 announced
Rajasthan's first paediatric CTVS unit	JK Lon Hospital, Jaipur	Establishment under RBSK, ₹15 crore budget, 80 beds (10 ICUs, 6 HDUs), Cath Lab and Robotic facilities
Residential Girls Sports Institute	Jaipur, Udaipur, Bharatpur	Mission Olympics 2028, 100 girls per institution, budget announcement – Diya Kumari
Rajasthan's first cyber support centre	Jaipur	Inaugurated on 24 May 2025, Assistance to Cybercrime Victims, conducted by Responsible Netizens (NGO)
Jaipur to become 'Leopard Capital'	Jaipur	3 Leopard Safari in the same city, inaugurated 5 June 2025, 4 types of safari in Nahargarh
Rajasthan's first Scout Guide Adventure Park	Sriganganagar	Announcement 18 May 2025, by Madan Dilawar, Promoting Scout-Guide Activities
The country's first 250-bed government cardiac centre	SMS Hospital, Jaipur	₹37 crore cost, 5-storey building, 5 cath labs, 4 OT, NABH and JCI certified
First Auction of Potash Blocks	Rajasthan (Bikaner, Hanumangarh etc.)	Auction for the first time in India, OIL and Hindustan Zinc blocked, 95% of India's potash in Rajasthan
Ambedkar Institute of Constitutional Studies and Research	Jaipur	A national level research institute on the Constitution under Dr. Ambedkar Law University.
New industrial zone	Bhinay (Ajmer)	106 hectares of land, development by RICO, non-polluting industries
Construction of Aqueduct on Chambal River	Chambal River	Approval from NBWL, PKC Link Project, Water Supply to Bisalpur and Isarda
Pradhan Mantri Divyasha Kendra	MBS Hospital, Kota	Inauguration on 19th May 2025, 32 types of equipment for Senior Citizens and Persons with Disabilities
Divyangjan Park	quota	Cost ₹15 crore, modern facilities including yoga center, library, restaurant
Rajasthan's first pink PHC	Khandia, Jhalawar	Launched on 10th April 2025 by Vasundhara Raje, Complete Staff Women, Buildings & Equipment Pink Theme
Krishna Gaman Path (Rajasthan Route)	Mathura-Ujjain route (Rajasthan)	UP-Rajasthan-MP joint project includes 8 temples in Rajasthan

Brahma Temple Corridor	Pushkar	Construction by 2027-28 in 3 phases, on Ayodhya-Kashi model, development of 52 ghats
Rajasthan's first no-vehicle zone institute	IIT Jodhpur	5000 people only use bicycles
AI-based AESTR Institute	SGVU, Jaipur	Inaugurated on 12th April 2025, Rajasthan's first university-level AI institute
Kavach 4.0 in North Western Railway	Rajasthan Rail Division	Kavach 4.0 on 1586 km of track, safety arrangements in high risk section
Climate Change Research Centre	Rajasthan	Research on desert weather, heatwaves, droughts, overrainfall
State-level museum	Jaipur	Display of Princely Heritage, Folk Art and Cultural Heritage
1.3 GW Solar Plant	Bhinajpura, Pokhran (Jaisalmer)	ReNew Company, the country's first complete Make-in-India solar plant
2.3 km long Aqueduct	Chambal River	PKC-ERC Project, Water Lift from Kalisindh to Mej River
Air service in Jhalawar	Kolana Airport, Jhalawar	Flight services remaining to Civil Aviation from 12 April 2025
Name change of village	Kheda Rampur (Kota)	First Name: Rasulpur, Ladpura Tehsil, Notification by Revenue Department
Jaipur Metro Phase II	Sitapura – Sikar Road (Todi Mor)	Total 36 km, ~32 km elevated, underground in the airport area, elevated to Pinjrapol Gaushala
First airport with electronic customs checks	Jaipur Airport	CBIC to start customs checks of gems and jewellery through e-system from May 1
Direct rail connectivity from Mundra Port	Udaipur	Under the DPE campaign, the fourth city in Rajasthan (Others: Jodhpur, Jaipur, Kota)
Food Bank for Herbivorous Wildlife	Kota (near Mukundra Hills)	600 hectares of grassland, Dara-Kishoresagar forest area
Bharatiya Gyan Parampara Kendra	R.A. Poddar Institute, Jaipur	Affiliated to Rajasthan University, Research and Knowledge Enhancement
School Development by IIT Kanpur	Jaipur	2 Mahatma Gandhi Vidyalayas of New Vidyadhar Nagar and Mansarovar
Waste to Energy Plant	Langdiyawas, Jaipur	288 MW/day capacity, 300 tonnes of waste/day to cement companies
International AI-Robotics Institute	NIMS University	Inaugurated 1 April 2025, Rising Rajasthan Initiative
Caracal (Siagosh) Breeding Center	Ranthambore	For Rare Wild Cat Conservation
Rail Rakshak Dal Project	North Western Railway	Relief in 60 minutes, Location: Bandikui, Udaipur, Lalgah, Merta Road

Compressed Biogas (CBG) Plant	Bassi (Jaipur)	RCDF, 1500 kg/day capacity, ₹50 crore, 100 tonnes of dung/day
Country's longest 8-lane tunnel	quota-dara	~5 km, Bharatmala Project, NATM Technology, from November 2025
Rajasthan Royals Sports Arena	Knowledge City, Chittor (Jaipur)	500 Acres, ₹10,000 crore MoU, "Blackbug" Multisports Complex
High-speed railway test track	Gudha-Thathana Sweet (Sambhar)	64 km, ₹967 Cr, 220 km/h. Testing
Constitution Club of Rajasthan	Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha	Inauguration 8 March 2025, such a club in the country's first assembly
Tata Power Solar Project	Bhanipura, Bikaner	Tata Power Renewable Energy, 300 MW AC capacity (100 + 200 MW unit)
Rajasthan's first net carbon zero hotel	quota	'The Eco Satva', 63 कमरे, Eco Hotels & Resorts Ltd.
Liver Clinic in Every District Hospital	Rajasthan	'Mission Liver Smile', NAFLD treatment, 10 districts in the first phase
Approval of Biological Park	Pushkar (Ajmer)	Acceptance of CZA, 12 Enclosures, Tiger, Lion, Black Bug, Desert Fox etc.
Maharana Pratap Sports University	Achrol, Jaipur	₹250 crore, Coaches and Sports Specialists, Sports College
National Forensic Science University (NFSU)	Jaipur	Main Campus Gandhinagar, Expansion by MHA to 9 States
Organic Cotton Yarn Export Centre	Bhilwara	Rajasthan's largest centre, 5 spinning units
Flying School	Hamirgarh, Bhilwara	Development of airstrip, Others: Pratapgarh, Banswara
HistorySheet- Hardcore Monitoring Cell	Jaipur West	For the first time in the state, surveillance on habitual offenders
First Solar Lift Irrigation Project (Technical)	Bundi (Mej River)	2×167 kW Solar Plant, 522 Solar Panels
Special Recognition in Catch the Rain	Kharagda Village, Dungarpur	Special Placement on Ministry of Jal Shakti Portal
Integrated Skill Development Rehabilitation Centre	Jamdoli, Jaipur	Disability Rehabilitation, ₹30 crore, Cross Disability Centre
Traffic Park	Srikaranpur, Sriganganagar	Municipal Initiatives for Road Safety Awareness
Land Allotment for Rajasthan Petro Zone	Dhani of Sindhis, Khemababa Nagar (Balotra)	74.50 + 102 hectares of land
New industrial zone	Village Piplund, Bhilwara	31 hectares of land, Budget 2024-25 announcement
2000 MW Solar Project Land Allocation	Village Bodana, Jaisalmer	Land allotment to RSDPL

M-Sand Units	Rajasthan (15 districts)	31 Unit, New M-Sand Policy: 4 December 2024
Balika Sainik School	Thabukra (Jodhpur), Ramganjmandi (Kota)	Allotment of 8 acres and 22 hectares of land
Rajasthan Petrozone (RIICO)	Borawas and Bagundi (Balotra)	97 + 26 hectares of land
Sembcorp Industrial Park Proposal	Bhiwadi-Neemrana (KBINR)	500–600 hectares, Singapore company
EPCH 's first domestic fair	Jodhpur	January 23–26, TFC Boranada
State level Republic Day celebrations	Udaipur	Parade, At Home & Cultural Programs
Best Thana Award	Kishorepura police station, Kota	40% reduction in crime, MHA verification
Bal Chaupal – Airport Facility	Udaipur Airport	For children under 3 years of age, the first of AAI
Mathuradhish Corridor	Kota (Nandgram)	₹125 crore, 3 phases, connection to Chambal riverfront
Sculpture Park (5th edition)	Jaigarh, Jaipur	Organizer: Jaigarh Public Charitable Trust
Adarsh Solar Village (11 Districts)	Rajasthan	PM Surya Ghar Yojana, assistance up to ₹1 crore

## 3. Awards and Honors

### 3 Rajasthan players nominated for Arjuna Award

- Three players from Rajasthan have been nominated for the Arjuna Award for the year 2026.
  1. **Padmanabh Singh (Jaipur) (Polo)**
  2. **Nirmala Bhati (Didwana-Kuchaman) (Kho-Kho)**
  3. **Rudransh Khandelwal (Bharatpur) (Para Shooting)**
- Padmanabh Singh is a former captain of the Indian polo team.
- Nirmala Bhati has been a member of the world champion Kho-Kho team and played the role of Wazir.
- Para-shooter Rudransh Khandelwal has set a world record in pistol shooting.

### Pravasi Rajasthani Samman – 2025

- A total of 9 expatriate Rajasthanis were honoured for their distinguished achievements:
  1. Anil Agarwal
  2. Kumar Mangalam Birla
  3. Vineet Mittal
  4. Ajay Piramal
  5. Madhav Singhanian
  6. Poonamchand Rathi
  7. Narsi Kularia
  8. C.M. Mundra
  9. Pradeep Rathod

### Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar and Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2025

- Sahitya Akademi announced the winners of the Yuva Puraskar and Bal Sahitya Puraskar for the year 2025 on 18th June 2025.
- President of Sahitya Akademi: Shri Madhav Kaushik

### Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2025

- In this, the names of 23 writers were announced for the Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar .
- **Note:** No award was given in Dogri language this year.

### Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2025 for Rajasthani Language

Year	Composition	Author
2025	<b>Antaras Rai Angane (Poem)</b>	<b>Poonam Chand Godara</b>
2024	Sudh Sodhu Jag Angane (Poem)	Sonali Suthar
2011 (1st Prize)	Peed (Story collection)	Dularam Saharan

- Since 2011, Sahitya Akademi has instituted the Yuva Puraskar to encourage young writers in 24 Indian languages recognized by it.
- The selection of books for the Youth Award is done on the basis of the recommendation of the respective Language Selection Committees.
- The award is given to books published by young authors up to the age of 35 years or below on 1st January in the award year.
- The award carries a copper plaque and an amount of Rs. 50,000/-.

### Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2025

- The names of 24 winners for the Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar were announced.
- The awards pertain to books that have been published for the first time in the last five years of the year immediately preceding the award year (i.e. between 1st January 2019 to 31st December 2023).

**Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar 2025 for Rajasthani Language**

Year	Composition	Author
2025	<b>Wings and Pains (Drama)</b>	<b>Bhogilal Patidar</b>
2024	Mhari Dhani (Poem-collection)	Prahlad Singh 'Jhorda'
2011 (1st Prize)	Bulbul Ra Bol (Story collection)	Damayanti Jadawat 'Chanchal'

- Since 2010, Sahitya Akademi has instituted the Bal Sahitya Puraskar to promote children's literature in 24 Indian languages recognized by it.
- The selection of books for children's literature is done on the basis of the recommendations of the respective Language Selection Committees.
- The award carries a copper plaque and an amount of Rs. 50,000/-.

**Rajasthan's performance in Swachhata Sarvekshan 2024-25**

- Indore has won the distinction of becoming the cleanest city in the country for the eighth consecutive time.
- Jaipur Greater: 16th rank (173rd last time) (1st in Rajasthan)
- Jaipur Heritage: 20th Rank (171st last time)
- Jaipur Greater received the recognition of Water Plus, Heritage received the recognition of ODF Plus Plus.

**Super Clean League – Small City Category (20-50K population):**

- Dungarpur: First place in the country
- Among the 23 Super Clean League cities, Rajasthan's Dungarpur has also been ranked in the category of cities with a population of 20,000–50,000.
- **Note:** Dungarpur has been awarded the Swachhata Award for the fifth time.
- **Jaipur Greater received the award for the Promising Clean City of Rajasthan State.**
- Shri Jhabar Singh Kharra, Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Urban Development and Local Self Government, Government of Rajasthan received the awards.
- **Ranking of other cities (3 lakh to 10 lakh population):**
  - Udaipur: 13th
  - Bikaner: 48th
  - Jodhpur North: 56th
  - Jodhpur South: 63rd

- Rajasthan's Bundi ranked third among cities with less than 20,000 population.
- As many as 240 urban bodies of Rajasthan participated, most of which performed better than last time.
- The number of ODF Plus Plus cities in Rajasthan increased from 17 to 38.
- 4 cities of Rajasthan namely Udaipur, Rajakheda, Jaipur Greater and Heritage were awarded 3 star rating for Garbage Free City.
- **Delawas Sewage Treatment Plant, Jaipur under AMRUT scheme was selected as one of the best practices at the Urban Ministerial Conference.**

**Alwar and Udaipur awarded for Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan and Wetland City**

- Alwar and Udaipur in Rajasthan were awarded on September 10 in the Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2025 conducted by the Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (MoEF&CC).
- Out of 130 cities, 11 cities were awarded.
- Among them, Alwar received the award for outstanding work towards the goal of "Clean Air for All".
- Udaipur got a place in the **Wetland City Accreditation Scheme** under the Ramsar Convention and was among the first two wetland cities in India.

**2 MPs from Rajasthan to receive Sansad Ratna Award 2025**

- **2 MPs from Rajasthan** (Rajya Sabha MP and BJP State President), Madan Rathore and Pali's MP **P.P. Chaudhary** were felicitated on 27 July 2025 for their impressive contribution to Parliament this year.
- 17 Members of Parliament and 2 Parliamentary Standing Committees were selected for the Sansad Ratna Awards 2025.
- The selection was made by a jury committee headed by National Commission for Backward Classes (NCBC) Chairman Hansraj Ahir.

### Rajasthan Police Academy becomes India's best training institute

- Rajasthan Police Academy has been conferred the status of Institution of Eminence by the Capacity Development Commission of the Government of India.
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- It has become the first academy to receive this honour in the Police Training Institutes of States across the country.
- The academy has secured its place among the top five best training institutes in India.
- It was evaluated on 43 rigorous parameters under 8 key pillars.

### Mathuradas Mathur Award 2025

- Rajasthan Cricket's prestigious Mathuradas Mathur Award was announced at the Jaipur Club.



- ❖ Senior Category: Ranji Trophy captain Mahipal Lomror
- ❖ Junior category: Kartik Sharma
- ❖ Sub-Junior Category: Yathram Bhardwaj
- The award carries cash prizes, certificates of excellence, mementos and cricket kitbags.
- **Note:** Mahipal Lomror has received this honor for the second time. (First time In 2017)

### Sundar Kanti Joshi Award

- The Sunder Kanti Joshi (SKJ) Award was announced on 24th March 2025.
- The award distribution ceremony was held on 3rd April 2025 on the birthday of Sundar Kanti Joshi.

- These awards are given to the women cricketers of Rajasthan who perform the best in BCCI tournaments.
- Provided by the Radha Niwas Cricket Club.

Category	Women's Cricketers
Senior Category	Kaushalya Choudhury
Junior Category	Maina Seoul
Sub-Junior Category	Dhriti Mathur

- Sonia Bijawat of Ajmer, who represented Rajasthan in national cricket in the 70s and 80s, will be honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award.
- Kaushalya Chaudhary scored 292 runs and took 37 wickets in the national domestic cricket competition in the senior category.
- Maina Seoul scored 179 runs and took 12 wickets in the junior category while performing all-round.
- Dhriti Mathur scored 350 runs in the sub-junior category and also took 7 wickets.

### Mahipal and Suman to get Best Cricketer Award

- The Rajasthan Cricket Association (RCA) ad hoc committee announced the names of the players for the Best Player Award 'Abhimaan' and the Best Emerging Player Award on 19 March 2025.
- These awards are given to the players of Rajasthan who perform the best in the national cricket competition.
- Apart from this, the former sports administrator and senior sports journalist was also given the Lifetime Achievement Award.
- The awards were presented on March 25.

Awards	Men's Category	Women's Category
<b>Hanumant Singh Award (Senior Category)</b>	Mahipal Lomror	Suman Meena
<b>Salim Durrani Award (Under 23 age group)</b>	Mohit Changra	Usha Perea
<b>Kishan Rungta Award (Under 19 age group)</b>	Jatin Saini	Maina Seoul
<b>Laxman Singh Award (Men's [U-16] &amp; Women's Under-15)</b>	Yatharth Bhardwaj	Dhriti Mathur
<b>Best Emerging Player Award</b>	Kartik Sharma	Ayushi Garg

- **Lifetime Achievement Award:** Kamal Morarka, Ashok Ohri, Rajendra Rathore, Rakesh Agarwal (posthumously).
- **Sunder Lal Mathuria (Senior Sports Journalist) (Posthumous):** Sunder Lal Mathuria.
- Senior sports journalist Sunder Lal Mathuria took sports journalism to new heights in the 60s, 70s and 80s.
- **RCA Ad Hoc Committee Convenor:** Jaideep Bihani

#### 'Pride' Award

- The award was presented by the RCA Ad Hoc Committee.
- These awards were given to male and female cricketers in 4 categories.
- All these awards were given in both the female and male categories.
- Apart from this, the Best Emerging Player Award was given in the name of Parthasarathi Sharma.

#### National Award to Teachers 2025

- On National Teachers' Day (5th September 2025), the President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu presented the National Teachers' Award to 45 outstanding teachers selected from across the country at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi.
- Among them was Mrs. Neelam Yadav, Principal of Government Girls Higher Secondary School, Tapukra (Alwar) of Rajasthan.
- The award consists of a cash prize of ₹50,000, a medal and a citation.

#### Rajasthan gets National Award in 'One District One Product'

- The 2024 National 'One District One Product' (ODOP) Award Ceremony was held at Bharat Mandapam.
- Rajasthan was awarded the 'Bronze Shield' at the national level for its outstanding performance under the 'One District One Product' scheme.
- This award was given in the state category.
- The award was given by Joint Commissioner P.N. Sharma.

#### Suhani Shah won the 'Best Magic Creator' Award

- India's renowned mentalist and magician Suhani Shah was awarded the 'Best Magic Creator' at the World Championship of Magic (FISM 2025) held in Italy.

- This global competition is also called the "Olympics of Magic".
- A new category for online content creators was launched this year by FISM (Fédération Internationale des Sociétés Magiques).
- **Suhani Shah was awarded the 'Best Online Content Creator' award in this new category.**

#### Best Tableau Awards at State Level Republic Day Celebrations 2025

- In the state-level Republic Day Celebrations 2025 held in Udaipur, Rajasthan, the tableau of Banswara district got the first place in the district category.
- The theme of this tableau was "Tribal Religious and Historical Places".
- In this, the tableau of the Tourism Department was given the first place in the Department Category. Its theme was "Pride of India, Rajasthan".

#### Best Krishi Vigyan Kendra Award

- The award has been given to Krishi Vigyan Kendra (KVK), Bhilwara.
- The centre is functioning under the Maharana Pratap University of Agriculture and Technology (MPUAT), Udaipur and ICAR's Agricultural Technical Applications Research Institute, Jodhpur region.
- KVK, Bhilwara has been awarded for its significant contribution to the farming community through innovation and technology transfer in agriculture.
- The award was presented during the International Agricultural Conference-2025 organized by Agri Meat Foundation India on 20-21 February 2025 in Sangrur, Punjab.

#### 3 from Rajasthan to receive Padma Shri 2025 award

- 139 personalities will be honored with Padma Awards 2025 by the Central Government.
- In this, 7 personalities will be given Padma Vibhushan, 19 Padma Bhushan and 113 personalities will be given Padma Shri.
- Among these awardees, 23 are women, 10 are foreigners, while 13 will be honored posthumously.
- The 3 personalities who have been conferred with Padma Shri 2025 from Rajasthan include:

S.No.	Name	Field	District
1.	Mr. Sheen Kaf Nizam (Shiv Kishan Bissa)	Literature and Education	Jodhpur
2.	Mrs. Begum Batul	Art	Jaipur
3.	Shri Baijnath Maharaj	Spirituality	Sikar

Begum Batool	Sheen Kaf Nizam	Baijnath Maharaj
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>She is a Mand and Bhajan folk singer.</li> <li>Contributed to the recognition of folk music on the international stage.</li> <li>Originally from Kairaj/ Kerap in Nagaur district.</li> <li>In the year 2022, the then President Ram Nath Kovind honored him with the "Nari Shakti Puraskar".</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nizam was also awarded the Sahitya Akademi Award in 2010.</li> <li>In the year 2023, Nizam was also given the "The Urdu Academy" Fellowship.</li> <li>Urdu literature includes major works like 'Lamhon Ke Saleeb', 'Dasht Mein Dariya', 'Saya Koi Lamba Na Tha', 'Naad, Lafz Ke Dar Par' etc.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Born on June 12, 1935 in the Lava village.</li> <li>He established Shraddha Sanskrit Vidyapeeth to awaken the flame of Vedic education.</li> <li>He preaches Sanatan Dharma of Shraddhanath's ashram in Laxmangarh.</li> </ul>

#### Rajasthan wins first prize in major mineral block auction

- Rajasthan stood first in the Exemplary Performance in Mineral Block Auction across the country in the year 2023-24.
- The award was presented to Shri T. Ravikant, Principal Secretary, Rajasthan Mines Department at Konark, Odisha.
- The state auctioned the highest number of 31 Major Mineral blocks across the country in the year 2023-24.
  - 31 Major Mineral Blocks were auctioned for 22 Mining Leases and 9 Composite Licenses.
- These include 22 blocks of limestone, 5 of basemetal and 4 blocks of iron.

#### 32 including Mona Agarwal from Jaipur receive Arjuna Award

- On January 17, 2025, 32 sportspersons, including para-shooter Mona Agarwal from Jaipur (Rajasthan), were given the Arjuna Award.
- Mona Agarwal won the bronze medal in the women's 10-metre air rifle standing SH1 event at the Para Shooting World Cup 2024.
- Mona was awarded the Arjuna Award in recognition of her outstanding achievements in para-shooting.
- Apart from this, **D Gukesh, Manu Bhaker, Harmanpreet Singh and para-athlete Praveen Kumar** were awarded the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award.

#### Rajasthan wins three National Gopal Ratna Awards

- The Rajasthan Co-operative Dairy Federation (RCDF) received the National Gopal Ratna Awards in three categories at a function held in Delhi on the occasion of National Milk Day.
- RCDF Managing Director Shruti Bhardwaj received the award along with the Milk Union officials of the respective districts.

#### Award-winning categories

- Best Dairy Co-operative Society – **Ghinoyi Milk Producers Cooperative Society, Jaipur**
  - Best Dairy Farmer Award – **Harshit Jhuria, Sikar**
  - Best AI Technician Award – **Vikas Kumar, Hanumangarh**
- National Gopal Ratna** Award is being given by the Central Government since the year 2021 to individuals, institutions and technicians who have excelled in the field of animal husbandry and dairying.

#### Rajasthan gets Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari Award for the third time

- Rajasthan received the 'Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari' award for the third time for outstanding performance in water resources management and community participation.
- The state was ranked third among the three best states in the country based on this achievement.

- **Barmer received the first prize at the national level under 'Jal Sanchayan Jan Bhagidari 1.0'.**
- **Barmer district was awarded the Best District in West Zone award at the national level for its outstanding performance in water conservation works.**
- **Eight other districts - Bhilwara, Jaipur, Udaipur, Alwar, Baran, Dungarpur, Chittorgarh and Sikar** – were also honoured for their contribution to a water secure India.

#### Prize money distribution

- First category: Bhilwara and Barmer — Rs 2 crore each
- Second category: Jaipur and Udaipur — Rs 1 crore each
- **Note:** Jaipur district secured the second position in the entire country under National Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari.
- Category 3: Alwar, Dungarpur, Baran, Chittorgarh and Sikar — Rs 25 lakh each

#### Rajasthan's performance at National Water Awards 2024

- The 6th National Water Awards 2024 announced by the Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation, Union Ministry of Jal Shakti, saw outstanding achievements from many participants from Rajasthan.

#### Main Winners from Rajasthan:

- **Shri Bajrang Lal Jethu (Sikar)** — First Award for Excellence in Water Sector in the Western Region
- **Kharlan Jal Upbhokta Sangam (Sriganganagar)** — Third prize in the Best Water Users Association category

#### Other Esteemed Institutions:

- **BITS Pilani** — Second (combined) in the Inside Campus subcategory of the Institute category other than School/College.
- **Ambuja Foundation, Jaipur** — Second Prize in the Best Civil Society Organization Category
- A total of 46 winners have been announced this year.

- The awards will be presented in 10 major categories viz. Best State, District, Gram Panchayat, Urban Bodies, Schools/ Colleges, Industry, Water Users Associations, Civil Society and Individual Excellence.

#### Udaipur wins 'Best Non-Motorized Transport System' Award

- Udaipur Smart City was awarded the Excellence in Urban Transport Award in the 'City with the Best Non-Motorized Transport System' category at the Urban Mobility India Conference and Expo.
- Urban Development and Autonomous Government Minister Jhabar Singh Kharra received the award on behalf of Rajasthan.
- Udaipur undertook several innovative and corrective steps to make
- transportation in the city more accessible, cleaner and eco-friendly under the Smart City Mission.

#### Rajasthan wins Top Achiever Award in Ease of Doing Business

- Rajasthan was awarded in the Top Achiever category in the Ease of Doing Business Rankings at the 'Udyog Samagam' **organized by the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade.**
- Rajasthan was awarded by Union Minister Piyush Goyal for its outstanding performance in business entry, labour reforms, and service sector.
- Industries Minister Rajyavardhan Rathore and Industries Commissioner Rohit Gupta received the award on behalf of the state.

#### Rajasthan wins 'Excellence in Wind and Hybrid Policy' award

- Rajasthan was awarded the 'Excellence in Wind and Hybrid Policy' Award at the 'Windy India 2025' Conference held in Chennai.
- The award was presented to the Rajasthan Renewable Energy Corporation (RREC) by Union Minister for New and Renewable Energy Pralhad Joshi.

Subject/ Institution	Honors/Achievements	Key Details
Indian Institute of Material Management (IIMM)	President Appreciation Award	Dr. Virendra Singh Rathore felicitated at National NETCOM event in Ahmedabad; For suggestions on road safety and cost reduction in logistics
Shilpguru Award	Shilpguru Award	Kamlesh Sharma (Rajasthan) for Tarkashi Art on Wood; ₹3.50 lakh cash and 20 grams gold coin
National Handicrafts Awards	National Honours	Meenakari artist Gayatri Rani from Jaipur for outstanding contribution to traditional art
President's Award (Divyang)	National Awards	Deepali Sharma of Jaipur on National Day of Persons with Disabilities; For empowerment through art
Desert Environment Conservation Association (DECO), Jodhpur	National Maru Ratna Awards 2025	Lifetime Maru Ratna: Sandeep Rathod and Dr. Dolly Mogra; Other 12 personalities honored
Hindustan Zinc	Platinum Worldwide Ranking (LACP 2025)	For FY 2024-25 Integrated Report; 99/100 Points, 1st in India, 6th Ranked in the World
Rajasthan Mandap	Gold Medal	44th India International Trade Fair, Pragati Maidan; ODOP & "Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat" Theme
SDRF Rajasthan	Second place in the Western Zone	CBRN Competition 2025 (Pune) organized by NDRF
SMS Medical College, Jaipur	Institutional Award - 2025	For Neurotrauma and Trauma Emergency Treatment (6-8 minutes)
Rajasthan Film Festival (RFF)	Best Rajasthani Film	'Order'; Best Director: Pankaj Singh Tanwar
Rajasthan Roadways	SKOCH Order of Merit Award	VTS and training save 9 lakh litres of diesel
Krishak Uphar Yojana	State-level awards	First: Golu (Kota), Second: Omprakash (Hanumangarh), Third: Rambharos (Kota)
Vipra Goel	Dr. B.M.L. Munjal Social Impact Award	rainwater conservation; 40 crore litres of Ground Water Recharge Capacity
Rajasthan Tourism Department	India Today Tourism Awards 2025	Amer (heritage), Kumbhalgarh (hill), Bikaner (Culinary)
Insolation Energy Limited (INA Solar)	Special State Honours	MoU worth Rs 10,000 crore; 4000 MW Solar Plant in Jaipur
Jaipur Saras Dairy	First Prize	RCDF KPI based awards; MD: Manish Faujdar
National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur	First Prize	Nature Testing Campaign (Ministry of AYUSH)
Rajasthan International Film Festival (RIFF)	Best Rajasthani Film	'Plot No. 302'; Event: 1-5 February 2025, Jodhpur

Udaipur	Best Wedding Destination Award	Outlook Traveller Awards; New Delhi; Award Recipients: Anand Tripathi and Sumita Saroch
Shahpura Haveli	Gold Award (Heritage Conservation)	Tourism State Awards; Sustainable Leadership - Heritage Conservation Category
Jaipur Rugs	Elle Deco International Design Award	Floor Covering Category; The only selection from India
State of Rajasthan	First position	Dharti Aba Tribal Village Utkarsh Abhiyan; Honors: By the President
State of Rajasthan	Third position	National Honors in Palliative Care Services; Bhubaneswar
Rajkisan Sathi Portal	National CIPS Innovation Award 2024	IT&C Department Project; 120+ Farmer Services
SMS Hospital, Jaipur	2 National Awards	Emerging States in Organ Donation and Transplantation; Excellence in Organ Donation Promotion
State of Rajasthan	Best Performance Award	the National Tobacco Control Program; First place in the country
Rajasthan Roadways	3 National Awards	Road Safety, Non-Traffic Revenue, Productivity (Rural)
Rajasthan Tourism Department	Best Creative Film Award	OTM 2025; Film: 'Romance of Rajasthan'
Rajasthan Scout-Guide Team	First position	19th National Jamboree, Lucknow; Wins in 20 Competitions
Dr. Sohanlal Gandhi MD	International 'Ahimsa Award'	House of Commons, London; Contribution to non-violence and compassion; By the Institute of Genealogy
Dr. Kalu Khan Deshwali, MD	Rajasthani Language Literary Award	Composition: <i>Sayna ra Sortha</i> ; Contribution to Rajasthani language and culture
Manika Vishwakarma	Miss Universe India 2025	Grand Finale: Jaipur; Rajasthan (Sriganganagar); Representing India at Miss Universe 2025
Sanjay Vyas	Rajiv Gandhi Lifetime Achievement Award	Rajiv Gandhi Cricket Club; Contribution to Rajasthan Cricket
Rishiraj Agarwal (Jaipur)	National Film Awards	Best Documentary: God, Vulture and Human
Divyansh M. Bhardwaj	Best Sarpanches of Rajasthan	Gram Panchayat: Aawan (Tonk); Maharashtra adopts the model
Dr. Dheeraj Singh	National Agricultural Scientist Award 2025	CAZRI; Honours on ICAR's 97th Foundation Day
Dr. Gaurishankar Sharma and Govind Bhardwaj	Amrita Devi Vishnoi Memorial Award	Distinguished Contribution to Wildlife Conservation
Rajasthan Co-operative Dairy Federation (RCDF)	Achiever of the Year Award	Green Energy Sector; Green Energy Conclave 2025

Gaurav Meena & Band	Bronze Award	WAVES INDIA Summit; Battle of Bands
Arun Hasija	Ellets Smart Government Excellence Award	Smart e-Governance through Digital Infrastructure
Nirmala Rawat	Sahmetrei Medal	World Para Throw Ball Championship; Cambodia
Roop Kumar Rathod	Ustad Gulab Khan Achievement Award	8 April 2025; Bollywood Ghazal Singers
Diya Kumari	Tycoon Global Magazine Cover	March 2025 issue; Journey from Imperial Legacy to Modern Governance
Dhapli Devi, Vimla Devi, Sundari Devi (Aaspura, Sikar)	International Design Award	Belgium, Germany and India (Kamala Devi Award)
Diya Kumari (Deputy Chief Minister, Rajasthan)	"Women Tourism Minister of the Year" Award	ITB Berlin (March 4–6, Germany); Organization: Pacific Asia Travel Writers Association; To promote tourism in Rajasthan
Dr. Kamlesh Sharma MD	Shri Fateh Singh Rathore Memorial Wildlife Conservation Award	"People & Nature" Services to Wildlife category; Organization: Tiger Watch, Ranthambore
Ramchandra Chaudhary	Indian Dairy Association (IDA) Fellowship Award	Ajmer Dairy Chairman; Outstanding contribution in dairy production, processing and marketing
Major General Alok Raj	Respect for environmental protection	By Governor Haribhau Bagde; 50,000+ Plantations in 3 Years
6 Water Warriors of Rajasthan	Special Guest at Republic Day Celebrations	Outstanding contribution to Jal Jeevan Mission; Names: Dhapu Devi, Arjun Kumar Suman, Mohini Devi, Hindu Singh, Sonia Kumari Saini, Mukesh Gurjar

### Sunderkanti Joshi Women's Cricketer Award Amount Increased

- The amount of the Sundar Kanti Joshi Award, given annually by the Radha Niwas Cricket Club to the best women cricketers of the state, has been increased.

### Revised Prize Amount:

- Sub-Junior Category: Rs 11,000
- Junior category: Rs 15,000
- Senior category: Rs 21,000.
- Along with cash prizes, players will also be awarded kit bags, travel bags, trophies and a letter of appreciation.
- **Note:** This is the only award given to women cricketers in Rajasthan.

### Rajasthan implements new rules for Maharana Pratap and Guru Vashisht awards

- The Rajasthan government has made changes in the rules of the state's sports awards – Maharana Pratap Award (for sportspersons) and Guru Vashisht Award (for coaches).
- The basis of these awards has been made more transparent and performance-based.
- Instead of medals won in competitions organised by National Federations, performance in the National Games and International Competitions will be the main basis for selection.

### Salient Features of the new norms:

1. **Eligibility Period:** The national and international achievements of the last 4 years will be considered as the basis.
2. **Sanctioned Competitions:** Olympic, Asian Games, Commonwealth Games, World Cup,

World Championship, Asia Cup, Medal winners and international participation in the Asian Championship National Games will also be considered eligible.

**3. Doping Prohibition:** Players found positive by the NADA or WADA will not be eligible for the award.

- The award will be presented annually to 5 players and 5 coaches:
  - 3 From the general category
  - 2 Para Players/Coaches
- The award carries a cash prize of Rs. 5 lakh, a bronze statuette, a citation and a blazer.

**Composition of New Selection Committee:**

- Now, the Dronacharya awardee has been included in the selection committee instead of the sports administrator. There will be a total of 5 members:
  1. President of Rajasthan State Sports Council
  2. Deputy Secretary of Government
  3. An Arjuna Awardee
  4. A Dronacharya Awardee
  5. Secretary of the Sports Council

## 4. Sports

### International Players of Rajasthan (Medal Winner)

Player	Sports	Championship	Place	Achievement/ Medal	Category/ Description
Krishna Nagar	Para Badminton	Japan Para Badminton International Championships	Japan	2 Gold	Men's Singles + Mixed Doubles (with Nitya Sri Sivan), SH-6
Yogesh Kumar	Shooting	ISSF World Championships (Rifle/Pistol)	Cairo, Egypt	Silver	50m Pistol Men's Team
Avani Lekhara	Para Shooting	Allen World Cup Para Shooting	Changwon, Korea	1 Gold, 1 Silver	10m Air Rifle (Gold), 50m 3P Women (Silver)
Rudransh Khandelwal	Para Shooting	World Shooting Para Sports World Cup	South Korea	Bronze (5 total)	SH-1, 10m Air Pistol (including gold)
Shivraj Sankhla	Para Shooting	World Shooting Para Sports World Cup	South Korea	Silver	50m Pistol Team
Sundar Gurjar	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Championships	—	Silver	Javelin throw, F-46, 64.76 meters
Sandeep (Para Athlete)	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Championships	—	Silver	Javelin throw, F-44, 62.67 meters
Ashwini Bishnoi	Wrestling	Under-17 World Wrestling Championship	Athens, Greece	Gold	65kg Category
Anantjit Singh Naruka	Shooting	Asian Shooting Championships	Shymkent, Kazakhstan	Gold	Men's Skeet (Individual)
Divyakriti Singh	Equestrian (Dressage)	FEI Global Dressage Rankings 2024-25	—	Asia Rank 1	World Rank 23
Divyakriti Singh	Equestrian	19th Asian Games	China	Gold	Equestrian
Indian Dressage squad (including Divyakriti)	Equestrian (Dressage)	Asian Equestrian Championship	Pattaya, Thailand	Silver	Team Event

Ishita Gupta	Triathlon	Ironman 70.3 World Championship	Goa	Gold	23 years, Time: 7 hr 51 min, Youngest women winner from Rajasthan
Shiksha Jain	Golf	US Kids Golf Indian Championship	Manesar, Haryana	Titles	Best Female Golfer Award
Subhash Chaudhary	Squash	Hong Kong International Junior Squash	Hong Kong	Gold	Under-17 Boys
Naresh Kumar Sharma	Powerlifting	World Powerlifting Championships	Karnal, Haryana	2 Gold	Gold in the first Bhutan International
Manish Kumar Badgoti	Para Athletics	Asian Youth Para Athletics	Dubai (UAE)	Bronze	1500m Race
Arshan Khan	Bodybuilding	Mr. World Bodybuilding Championship	Indonesia	Gold	100+ kg, Outperformed 30 countries
Arkeshwar Meratwal	Wushu Kungfu	World Wushu Kungfu Championships	Emeishan, China	Bronze	Kungfu Fan Category
Rajat Prakash Gupta	Wushu Kungfu	World Wushu Kungfu Championships	Emeishan, China	Bronze	Xingyiquan Category
Jangjit Singh Kajla	Badminton	Asian Junior Badminton Championships	China	Bronze	U-17 Mixed Doubles
Nupur Sheoran	Boxing	World Boxing Championships	Liverpool, England	Silver	80+ kg Category
Kiana Parihar	Chess	World Cadet Chess Championship	Almaty	Bronze	Under-10, 8.5 points
Krishna Nagar	Para Badminton	Para Badminton International	China	Silver	SH-6 Men
Krishna Nagar	Para Badminton	Irish Para Badminton International	Cardiff	2 Bronze	Single + Mixed
Krishna Nagar	Para Badminton	6th Faja Para Badminton International 2025	Dubai	Bronze	—
Krishna Nagar	Para Badminton	Spanish Para Badminton International 2025	Spain	(3 medals)	Mixed Gold, Men's Double-Silver, Single-Bronze
Dipendra Singh Shekhawat	Shooting	ISSF World Cup Rifle/Pistol/Shotgun	New Delhi (Dr. Karni Singh Range)	Silver	50m Rifle Prone

Vinay Pratap Singh Chandrawat	Shooting	ISSF World Cup	New Delhi	Bronze	Shotgun trap
Rajasthan Shooters	Shooting	16th Asian Shooting Championship	Shymkent, Kazakhstan	13 Gold, 8 Silver, 4 Bronze (Total 25)	Most successful: Abhinav Choudhary (3+1)
Anushka Singh Bhati	Shooting	Asian Shooting Championships	Kazakhstan		—
Girish Gupta	Shooting	Asian Shooting Championships	Kazakhstan		—
Pushpendra Kumar Choudhary	Chess	FIDE आर्बिटर उपाधि	—	Honour	By the International Chess Federation
Arshan Khan	Bodybuilding	57th Asian Bodybuilding Championship	Bangkok, Thailand	Gold	100kg category, 1st place at the Asia level
Ashwini Bishnoi	Wrestling	World Under-17 Wrestling Championships	Athens, Greece	Gold	65 kg
Komal Verma	Wrestling	World Under-17 Wrestling Championships	Athens, Greece	Bronze	49 kg
Indian Women's wrestling team	Wrestling	World Under-17 Championships	Athens	Overall title	151 points
Ashwini Bishnoi	Wrestling	Asian Sub-Junior Wrestling Championships	Vietnam	Gold	For the third time in a row
Uma Choudhury	Athletics (Javelin)	World Police & Fire Games 2025	Birmingham, USA	Gold	CISF, Jodhpur Airport
Sri Krishna Verma	Boxing	Indo-Nepal International School Sports	—	Gold	Under-16
Taniya Rathore	Judo	Cadet/Junior Asian Judo Cup	Chinese Taipei	Gold	40 kg
Babnoor Singh Brar	Judo	Asian Judo Cup	Chinese Taipei	Bronze	+90 kg
Mehak Sharma	Wushu	Asia Cup Wushu 2025	Jilin, China	Silver	75 kg
Janhvi Mehra	Wushu	Asia Cup Wushu 2025	Jilin, China	Bronze	56 kg
Nitika Bansal	Wushu	Asia Cup Wushu 2025	Jilin, China	Bronze	65 kg
Kachnar Chowdhury	Athletics	World Police Games	Birmingham, USA	Gold + Silver	Discus Throw

Dilip Kumar Malav	Karate	World Police Games	Birmingham, USA	Gold	CRPF
Krishan Sharma	Boxing	World Police & Fire Games 2025	Birmingham, USA	Gold	Rajasthan Police SI
Chhagan Lal Meena	Boxing	World Police & Fire Games 2025	USA	Gold	77 kg
Shyam Sundar Swami	Para Archery	Asian Para Archery Championships	Beijing, China	Silver	Compound team, lost to China 156-157.
Vihaan Raj Saxena	Wushu	Moscow Star Wushu Championship	Moscow, Russia	Gold	45kg Category
Rajasthan Wushu Players	Wushu	Moscow Star Wushu Championship	Moscow	1 Gold 4 Silver 4 Bronze	Total 9 medals
Sachin Chechi	Archery	Asia Cup 2025	Singapore	Bronze	Score 148-146
Vishal Singh Rawat	Bodybuilding	South Asia Bodybuilding Championships	Bhutan	Bronze	75 kg
Soumya Choudhury	Tennis	Asian U-14 C2 Tournament 2025	Pattaya, Thailand	Gold	Girls' Doubles
Soumya Choudhury	Tennis	U-12 International Lawn Tennis	Sri Lanka	Gold	India Qualify
Lakshita	Athletics	South Asia Championship (U-18)	Saudi Arabia	Bronze	Discus Throw
Ranjit Gurjar	Para Throw Ball	World Para Throw Ball Championships	Cambodia	Bronze	Athlete with Disabilities
Mukesh Choudhary	Wushu	10th World Cup Wushu	Jiangyan, China	Gold	75 kg
Dhanaram Godara	Para Archery	Para Asia Cup	Bangkok, Thailand	Gold	Recurve Team
Shyam Sundar Swami	Para Archery	Para Asia Cup	Bangkok		Individual + Mixed Team
Harshita Jakhar	Cycling	Junior Asian Track Cycling	Nilai, Malaysia	2 Bronze	Personal Pursuit
Divyanshi Jain	Squash	Wellington Open Squash	Mumbai	Gold	Under-13 Girls
Gauravi Ajmera	Squash	Wellington Open	Mumbai	Gold	Under-9 Mixed
Gauri Jaiswal	Squash	Wellington Open	Mumbai	Silver	Under-15 Girls
Dhairya Gogia	Squash	Wellington Open	Mumbai	Third	Under-13 Boys

Amar Singh Devanda	Ultra Marathon	100 km Ultra Marathon	Thailand	Gold	Time: 6:59:37
Ranjit Gurjar	Para Throw Ball	World Para Throw Ball Championship	—	Bronze	A resident of village Kaimri in Karauli district, an international para athlete.
Girish Gupta	Shooting	16th Asian Shooting Championship	Kazakhstan	2 Gold, 1 Silver	10m Air Pistol Youth; Individual Score 241.3
Pawan Kumawat	Strength Lifting	12th World Strength Lifting Senior Tournament	Thailand	Bronze	76 kg class, lifted 125 kg weight
Yash Bharadia	Chess	International Master (IM) Norm	Belgrade, Serbia	IM Norm Complete	Second IM from Rajasthan, First IM: Abhijit Gupta (2005)

## Players from Rajasthan selected in International Competitions

Player/ Subject	Sport	Selection/ competition	Place	Introduction/ Category	Additional Information
Gajendra Singh	Fencing	World Cup Fencing Championship	Paris, France	Foil Event	January 9–11, 2026
Rajat Saini	Korfball	Asian Cup Korfball	Sarangpur, Malaysia	Player	—
Rajesh Saini	Korfball	Asian Cup Korfball	Malaysia	Head Coach	Awarded Maharana Pratap Award
Pradyumn Yadav	Archery	Junior Asia Cup	Jeddah	Compound Male	—
Vasu Yadav	Archery	Junior Asia Cup	Jeddah	Compound Male	—
Devansh Singh	Archery	Junior Asia Cup	Jeddah	Compound Male	—
Neeraj Batra	Lacrosse	Asian Lacrosse Games	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Indian Team Coach	India wins 2 Silver medals in East Asian Games
Nikita	Kabaddi	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Girls Team	Gold
Akshita	Kabaddi	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Girls Team	Gold
Lakshita	Kabaddi	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Girls Team	Gold
Krishna	Kabaddi	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Girls Team	Gold
Sachin Chaudhary	Kabaddi	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Boys Team	Gold
Alok Bishnoi	Cycling	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Road Cycling	—
Lokesh Choudhury	Cycling	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Road Cycling	—
Aditya Jakhar	Cycling	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Road Cycling	—
Anjali Jakhar	Cycling	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Road Cycling	—
Rukmani	Cycling	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Road Cycling	—

Vidhi Sharma	Muay Thai	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Player	—
Mohini Samaria	Muay Thai	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Player	—
Mudit Gupta	Muay Thai	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Player	—
Harshita (Jalore)	Muay Thai	Youth Asian Games	Bahrain	Player	—
Pinky Sharma	Grappling	World Grappling Championship	Belgrade, Serbia	Player	October 14–16
Manini Kaushik	Shooting	ISSF World Championship 2025	Cairo, Egypt	50m Rifle Prone	National Rank 1
Sundar Singh Gurjar	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Championship	New Delhi	Javelin Throw (F-46)	—
Mahendra Singh Gurjar	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Championships	New Delhi	Javelin Throw (F-42)	—
Sandeep Chaudhary	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Championships	New Delhi	Javelin Throw (F-44)	—
Muskan Piplod	Rugby	U-18 Asia Cup	—	Vice-captain	Bronze in former U-20 Asia
Vijayshri	Rugby	U-18 Asia Cup	—	Player	—
Sushila	Rugby	U-18 Asia Cup	China	Player	Barmer (Bhurtiya)
Alka Batra	Badminton	World Championships 2025 (Masters)	Pattaya, Thailand	Age Group 55–60 years	3 Gold at the 2024 Pan-American
Shyam Sundar Swami	Para Archery	World Ranking Para Archery	Czech Republic	Compound Team	—
Dhanaram Godara	Para Archery	World Ranking Para Archery	Czech Republic	Recurve Team	—
Norati Kumari Mewada	Handball	18th Asian Junior Women's Handball Championship	Tashkent, Uzbekistan	Player	Indian Captain: Sujata (SAI)
Harsh Choudhury	Boxing	World Boxing Championships	Liverpool, England	90 kg	Player selected for the first time from Rajasthan
Vidhi Sharma	Muay Thai	World Youth Muay Thai Championships	Abu Dhabi, UAE	Player	Organized by IFMA
Mohini	Muay Thai	World Youth Muay Thai Championships	Abu Dhabi, UAE	Player	—
Mudit Gupta	Muay Thai	World Youth Muay Thai Championships	Abu Dhabi, UAE	Player	—
Grahil Verma	Muay Thai	World Youth Muay Thai Championships	Abu Dhabi, UAE	Player	—
Dilip Singh Shekhawat	Football	U-20 Women's Asia Cup 2026 Qualifiers	Yangon, Myanmar	Heads of Delegation	—
Mudit Gupta	Muay Thai	Asian Youth Games 2025	Bahrain	Selected	Selection Base: Rohtak National
Vidhi Sharma	Muay Thai	Asian Youth Games 2025	Bahrain	Selected	—
Mohini Samaria	Muay Thai	Asian Youth Games 2025	Bahrain	Selected	—

Dinesh	Muay Thai	Asian Youth Games 2025	Bahrain	Selected	Sriganganagar
Harshita (Jalore)	Muay Thai	Asian Youth Games 2025	Bahrain	Selected	Jalore
Pawan Kumawat (Jaipur)	Strength Lifting	World Strength Lifting Tournament	Thailand	76 kg	Recently won medal in Senior Strength Lifting
Maanvi Srivastava	Basketball	World University Games 2025	Germany	Indian Women's Team	—
Sonal Mahla	Basketball	World University Games 2025	Germany	Indian Women's Team	—
Yashika Singh	Basketball	World University Games 2025	Germany	Indian Women's Team	—
Tanishk Pareek	Taekwondo	World University Games	Germany	Poomsae (Individual)	Bronze at All India University
Mohini Singh	Shooting	Asian Shooting Championship + World Cup	Kazakhstan + New Delhi	Team selection	—
Divyansh Singh Panwar	Shooting	Shooting World Cup 2025	China	10m Air Rifle + Mixed	—
Amit Sharma	Shooting	Shooting World Cup 2025	China	10m Air Pistol + Mixed	—
Bhavesh	Shooting	Shooting World Cup 2025	China	25m Rapid Fire Pistol	—
Pradeep Shekhawat	Shooting	Shooting World Cup 2025	China	25m Rapid Fire Pistol	—
Manini Kaushik	Shooting	Shooting World Cup 2025	China	50m Rifle 3P	—
Yashasvi Rathod	Shooting	Junior Shooting World Cup 2025	New Delhi, India	Skeet + Mixed	—
Uddhav Singh Rathore	Shooting	Junior Shooting World Cup 2025	New Delhi	Trap (Jr.)	—
Mohini Singh	Shooting	Junior Shooting World Cup 2025	New Delhi	10m Air Pistol	—
Abhinav Choudhury	Shooting	Junior Shooting World Cup 2025	New Delhi	25m Rapid Fire Pistol	—
Kuldeep Singh Mokawat	Sambo (Beach)	World Sambo Beach Championships	Singapore	Senior Men's 71kg	Jaipur
Sunil Muwal	Volleyball	Central Asian Volleyball Championships	Uzbekistan	U-19 Indian Team	Chomu (Bishanpura, Charanwas)
Mohammad Kaif	Football	U-19 SAFF Asian Football	—	Indian Team	U-16 (Bhutan) winning captain; Also a title in the U-17
Tania Rathod	Judo	Asian Cadet Judo Cup	Tashkent, Uzbekistan	U-40 kg (Cadet)	—
Babnoor Singh Brar	Judo	Asian Cadet Judo Cup	Tashkent	+90 kg (Cadet)	Gold in Khelo India (Bihar)

Yash Yadav	Judo	Junior Asian Cup	Tashkent	+100 kg (Junior)	Silver at Junior Nationals (Dehradun)
Bharti Sheoran	Para Athletics	World Grand Prix Championship	Paris, France	1500 m	Churu (Bhamasi), PCI Chairman: Devendra Jhajharia
Sachin Chechi	Archery	Asia Cup 2025	Singapore	Selected	—
Devansh Singh	Archery	Youth World Archery Championships	Canada	Compound	—
Yogesh Joshi	Archery	Youth World Archery Championships	Canada	Compound	—
Mahesh Kumawat	Archery	Youth World Archery Championships	Canada	Recurve	Rajasthan Archery Association President: Dipendra Singh
Shyamsundar Swami	Para Archery	European Para Archery Cup	Rome, Italy	Compound Team	Participation in the Paris Paralympics 2024
Dhanaram Godara	Para Archery	European Para Archery Cup	Rome, Italy	Recurve Team	—
Divyanshi Jain	Squash	Asian Junior Squash Championship 2025	South Korea	Under-13 Girls	—
Prabhav Bajoria	Squash	Asian Junior Squash Championship 2025	South Korea	Under-13 Boys	—
Subhash Chaudhary	Squash	Asian Junior Squash Championship 2025	South Korea	Under-17	—
Yashveer Singh	Athletics	Asian Athletics Championship	South Korea	Javelin Throw	Silver in Senior Federation
Hridaan Saraogi	Golf	Junior World Championship of Golf	North Carolina, USA	Junior	Qualified from US Kids Golf India Tour
Tania Rathore	Judo	Cadet European Judo Cup	Tbilisi, Georgia	40 kg	First in Cadet Nationals
Babnoor Singh Brar	Judo	Cadet European Judo Cup	Tbilisi, Georgia	+100kg	First in Cadet Nationals
Prakriti Sharma	Fencing	Cadet Fencing World Championships	China	Under-17	Gold in U-17, Bronze in U-20
Khushboo Gill (Hanumangarh)	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Grand Prix	New Delhi	Shot Put	—
Shalini Chaudhary (Sikar)	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Grand Prix	New Delhi	400m, 1500m	—
Vikram Meena (Jaipur)	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Grand Prix	New Delhi	400m, 1500m	—
Janak Singh Harshana (Bharatpur)	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Grand Prix	New Delhi	Shot Put, Hammer Throw	—
Mahendra Gurjar (Jaipur)	Para Athletics	World Para Athletics Grand Prix	New Delhi	Long Jump	—

Shyam Sundar Swami	Para Archery	Para Asia Cup	Bangkok, Thailand	Compound	—
Dhanaram Godara	Para Archery	Para Asia Cup	Bangkok, Thailand	Recurve	—
Anvi Rathod	Badminton	International Badminton Tournament	China	Under-15	Runner-up in All India
Jangjeet Singh Kajla	Badminton	International Badminton Tournament	China	U-17 Mixed	Runner-up in All India
Shubham Poonia	Football	Indian U-17 Team	Sri Lanka	Player	North East United FC
Ramesh Kumar	Athletics (Deaflympics)	25th Summer Deaflympics	Tokyo, Japan	Javelin Throw	Churu
Virendra Singh	Athletics (Deaflympics)	25th Summer Deaflympics	Tokyo	10 km Walk	Karauli
Piyush	Badminton (Deaflympics)	25th Summer Deaflympics	Tokyo	Badminton	Jodhpur
Abhinav Sharma	Badminton (Deaflympics)	25th Summer Deaflympics	Tokyo	Badminton	Jaipur
Arshit	Tennis (Deaflympics)	25th Summer Deaflympics	Tokyo	Tennis	Sriganganagar
Maina Gurjar	Athletics (Deaflympics)	25th Summer Deaflympics	Tokyo	800 m	Tonk
Ghanshyam	Wrestling (Deaflympics)	25th Summer Deaflympics	Tokyo	Wrestling	Bharatpur
Mohammad Raza	Basketball	Under-16 SABA Cup	Maldives	Indian Team	Jaisalmer
Armaan Matoria	Basketball	Under-16 SABA Cup	Maldives	Indian Team	Sriganganagar

## National Sportspersons of Rajasthan

Player	District	Sport	Competition/ Events	Achievement/ Selection	Additional Facts
Kartik Sharma	Bharatpur	Cricket (IPL)	IPL 2026 Mini Auction	Chennai Super Kings – Rs 14.20 crore	Most expensive uncapped player
Ravi Bishnoi	Jodhpur	Cricket (IPL)	IPL 2026 Mini Auction	Rajasthan Royals – Rs 7.20 crore	1 ODI, 42 T20I
Mukul Choudhary	Jhunjhunu	Cricket (IPL)	IPL 2026 Mini Auction	Lucknow Super Giants – Rs 2.60 crore	Wicketkeeper-batsman

Ashok Sharma	Jaipur	Cricket (IPL)	IPL 2026 Mini Auction	Gujarat Titans – ₹90 lakh	Fast bowler
Ojaswini Saraswat	Rajasthan	Golf	All India Women & Junior Girls (C)	Gold	10th National Title
Ojaswini Saraswat	Rajasthan	Golf	DGC Ladies Open Amateur	Gold	Youngest winner
Tanishk Sharma	Rajasthan	Weightlifting	69th School National (SGFI)	Silver	Total weight 271 kg
Gautam Pareek	Rajasthan	Para Shooting	National Para Shooting	1 Gold, 1 Silver	10m Air Pistol
Rahul Sharma	Rajasthan	Para Shooting	National Para Shooting	Gold	10m Air Pistol SH-1
Anand Charan	Rajasthan	Para Shooting	National Para Shooting	1 Gold, 2 Bronze	10m & 25m
Sushil Kumar Meena	Jaipur	Para Shooting	National Para Shooting	Gold	Para Trap PT1
Sanskar Saraswat	Jodhpur	Badminton	Guwahati Masters (BWF Super 100)	Gold	First Senior International title
Mahipal Lomror	Rajasthan	Cricket (T20)	Domestic T20	Most runs	1740 runs
Mariam Khan	Rajasthan	Shooting	National Sub-Junior	Gold	10m Air Pistol
Rohit Kumawat	Rajasthan	Archery	Senior National	Silver	—
Shruti Uniyal	Rajasthan	Judo	Senior National	Bronze	Women' s 78kg
Aaradhya Chopra	Rajasthan	Judo	Senior National	Bronze	Men' s 90kg
Sarika Yadav	Rajasthan	Athletics (Long Jump)	All India Civil Services Athletics, Patna	Bronze medal	First Rajasthani woman to win medal 3 times in a row
Sharanya Goyal	Rajasthan	Table Tennis	National Pace Ranking TT, Ranchi	Silver Medal	—
Aarav Acharya	Rajasthan	Table Tennis	National Pace Ranking TT, Ranchi	Bronze	Under-15 category
Aarav Sahni	Rajasthan	Table Tennis	National Pace Ranking TT, Ranchi	Bronze	Under-15 category
Tulip Ojha	Jaipur	Taekwondo	Senior National Taekwondo, Hyderabad	Gold Medal	—

Surya Dev Singh Rathore	Jaipur	Shooting (Shotgun)	All India Shotgun Showdown, New Delhi	Gold Medal	Score 109/125
Satyaprakash Yadav	—	Basketball	Indian Selection Committee	Selection Committee Member	Former Indian captain and coach
Deepak Singh	Karauli	Ball Badminton	South Asian Championship, Patna	Selection in the Indian team	—
Nikita Kanwar	Jaipur	Ball Badminton	South Asian Championship, Patna	Selection in the Indian team	—
Shaukat Ali Mansuri	Rajasthan	Ball Badminton	South Asian Championship	Coach of the Indian team	—
Divyanshi Jain	Jaipur	Squash	Scottish Open and British Open (Europe)	Selection	Top position in U-13 (Scottish Open)
Rajasthan Team	Rajasthan	Basketball	SGFI 69th National, Jabalpur	Bronze medal	—
University of Rajasthan	Jaipur	Basketball (Women)	West Zone Inter University, Gwalior	Third place	Beat DAVV Indore 64-61
Aaradhya Mishra	Jaipur	Tennis	AITA Pro Tennis Under-10 (2025)	Gold Medal	Third national title in 2025
Dhairya Gogia	Rajasthan	Squash	80th CCI Western India Squash, Mumbai	Gold (Boys U-13)	—
Amay Mahajan	Rajasthan	Squash	80th CCI Western India Squash, Mumbai	Gold (Boys U-9)	—
Fareed Andrabi	Rajasthan	Squash	80th CCI Western India Squash, Mumbai	Silver (Boys U-15)	—
Divyanshi Jain	Rajasthan	Squash	80th CCI Western India Squash, Mumbai	Bronze (Girls U-15)	—
Yuvan Verma	Rajasthan	Squash	80th CCI Western India Squash, Mumbai	Bronze (Boys U-11)	—
Jaipur Team	Jaipur	Flag Football	Rajasthan State Flag Football Championship	Champion (Boys)	—
Nagaur Team	Nagaur	Flag Football	Rajasthan State Flag Football Championship	Champion (Girls)	—

Sachin Chaudhary	Rajasthan	Wushu	Federation Cup National Wushu, Rajnandgaon	Silver (90kg )	—
Rajasthan Team	Rajasthan	Wushu	Federation Cup Wushu (Overall)	Runner-up	—
Rajasthan Girls Team	Rajasthan	Kabaddi	51st Junior National Kabaddi, Kolkata	Bronze	—
Rajasthan Team	Rajasthan	Shooting	68th National Shooting Championship	Gold (50m Rifle 3P Team)	—
Jamna Puri	Jaipur	Shooting	68th National Shooting Championship	Bronze (Individual)	—
Shikha	Rajasthan	Shooting	National Shooting Championship	3 Gold, 1 Silver, 2 Bronze	—
Anantjit Singh Naruka	Rajasthan	Shooting (Skeet)	National Shooting Championship	Gold (Mixed Team)	—
Darshana Rathod	Rajasthan	Shooting (Skeet)	National Shooting Championship	Gold (Mixed Team)	—
Rajasthan Men's Team	Rajasthan	Handball	37th Federation Cup Handball	Runner-up	—
Anuj Chaumal	Rajasthan	Chess	SGFI Chess Tournament, Bengaluru	Gold	—
Ashish Upadhyay	Rajasthan	Chess	SGFI Chess Tournament, Bengaluru	Silver	—
Rajasthan Girls Team	Rajasthan	Kabaddi	35th Sub-Junior Kabaddi, Sonipat	Bronze	—
Rajasthan Boys Team	Rajasthan	Kabaddi	35th Sub-Junior Kabaddi, Sonipat	Bronze	—

Player	Sport	Competition/ Event	Place	Achievement/ Metal	Additional Information
Abhijeet Gupta (Bhilwara)	Chess	21st Delhi Grandmasters Open	Delhi	Champion (fourth time)	8.5 points; Arjuna Award (2013); 5-time Commonwealth Winner
Parul Choudhary (Churu)	Badminton	All India U-19 Rankings	Madurai, Tamil Nadu	Gold	Rajasthan's first player

Akshat Rao	Taekwondo	42nd Junior National Taekwondo	Bengaluru	Silver	48 kg Category
Siddhant Jaiswal (Jaipur)	Horse riding	Senior National Equestrian	Meerut	Bronze	One Star Competition
Amish Shivdas (Jaipur)	Kick boxing	National Kick Boxing	Pune	2 Gold	94 kg; Third consecutive National Gold
Sudha Khandelwal (Jaipur)	Swimming	National Masters Swimming	Hyderabad	Bronze	100m Backstroke
Aaradhya Chatterjee (Jaipur)	Boxing	8th National Boxing Championships	Delhi	Gold	Defeated Uttarakhand's Tejaswini in the final
Poshika Gupta (Jaipur)	Shooting	All India G.V. Mavlankar Shooting	Ahmedabad	Bronze	50m Pistol
Dipendra Singh Sanwaloda	Shooting	All India G.V. Mavlankar Shooting	Bhopal	Silver	50m Open Sight Rifle 3P
Vishnu Sharma	Judo	Senior National Ranking Judo	New Delhi	Silver	100 kg Category
Yash Yadav	Judo	Senior National Ranking Judo	New Delhi	Bronze	100 kg Category
Sandeep (Churu)	Volleyball	Prime Volleyball League	—	Team Player	Bengaluru Torpedoes
Ashok Bishnoi (Barmer)	Volleyball	Prime Volleyball League	—	Team Player	Calicut Heroes
Dushyant Singh (Jaipur)	Volleyball	Prime Volleyball League	—	Team Player	Goa Guardians
Rohit Yadav (Jaipur)	Volleyball	Prime Volleyball League	—	Team Player	Goa Guardians
Kamlesh Khatik (Bhilwara)	Volleyball	Prime Volleyball League	—	Team Player	Mumbai Meteors
Divyanshi Jain	Squash	Central India Slam	Indore	Gold	Girls U-13
Subhash Chaudhry	Squash	Central India Slam	Indore	Gold	Boys U-19
Anita Rathi	Powerlifting	National Masters Powerlifting	Kozhikode	1 Gold, 2 Silver + Overall Silver	63 kg Master-1
Sahil Gupta	Swimming	51st Junior National Swimming	Ahmedabad	Bronze	200m Butterfly

Kachnar Choudhary (Rajasthan Police)	Athletics	National Inter-State Championship	Chennai	Gold	Shot Put – 15.75m
Nitin Rawal	Kabaddi	Pro Kabaddi League Season-12	—	Captain of Jaipur Pink Panthers	Vice-Captain: Reza Mirbaghiri
Martand Raina	Football	Indian Super League (ISL)	—	Associated with East Bengal FC	Rajasthan's first player; ₹1 Crore, 3 Years
Shahnoor Ali	Fencing	Mini (U-12) National Fencing	Nashik	Gold	Sabre Event
Gauravi Ajmera	Squash	Eastern Challenger 2025	Kolkata	Winner	Girls U-11
Gauravi Ajmera	Squash	Telangana Squash Open	Hyderabad	Winner	U-9 Mixed
Yuvan Verma	Squash	Eastern Challenger	Kolkata	Fourth position	Boys U-11
Shreyanshi Jain	Chess	Under-7 National Championship	Khorda, Odisha	Champion	9/9 Points
Tanishtha Jodha	Taekwondo	Cadet & Junior National Championship	Uttarakhand	Gold	—
Rohit Kumar Patel	Taekwondo	Cadet National Championship	Uttarakhand	Bronze	U-14 class
Shivaay Singh (UP)	Chess	Royal Jaipur U-1800 FIDE	Jaipur	Winner	8/9 Points
Kavansh Jain	Chess	Royal Jaipur U-1800 FIDE	Jaipur	Third position	Rajasthan
Twisha Shah (GJ)	Tennis	Pro Tennis U-10 Championship	Jaipur	Winner	Girls
Hridaan Sharma	Tennis	Pro Tennis U-10 Championship	Jaipur	Winner	Boys
Devansh Raj Chowdhury	Taekwondo	National Taekwondo Championship	Dehradun	Bronze	65 kg
Mayank Burdak	Archery	Open National Championship	Goa	Gold	U-14
Ravi Choudhury	Pencak Silat	13th National Championship	Lucknow	Gold	5th consecutive National Gold
Damodar Prasad Sharma	Athletics	TCS World 10km Marathon	Bengaluru	Gold	Age Group 70+
Vaibhav Suryavanshi	Cricket (T-20)	IPL (Rajasthan Royals)	Jaipur	Fastest century	35 balls; Men's T-20 Record

Manini Kaushik	Shooting	Kumar Surendra Singh Memorial Shooting	Delhi	Gold	50m rifle prone; National Record
Fazal Ahmed (Jaipur)	Carrom	Rajasthan State Level Carrom Championship	Tonk	Champion (Singles)	Defeated Ansar in the final
Ansar-Hassan (Tonk)	Carrom	Rajasthan State Level Carrom	Tonk	Doubles Winner	—
Shah Rukh (Tonk)	Carrom	Rajasthan State Level Carrom	Tonk	Consolation Prizes	—
Arun Kataria (Udaipur)	Chess	Jaipur Open Classical FIDE Rated	Jaipur	Winner	Second edition
Vedika Pal	Chess	Jaipur Open Classical	Jaipur	Best Woman	6 points
Muskan Kothoty	Taekwondo	All India Open National Taekwondo 2025	Ahmed abad	Silver	47 kg
Vatsal Mehta	Weightlifting	68th School National Games (SGFI)	Manip ur	Gold	U-17, total 263 kg
Aaradhya Mishra (Jaipur)	Tennis	Pro Tennis U-10 Championship	—	Champion	Second consecutive U-10 title
Pani Devi (Churu)	Athletics	Masters Athletics	Bengal uru	3 Gold	Age Group 90+
Rajasthan Team	Athletics	45th National Masters Athletics	Bengal uru	8 Gold, 4 Silver, 4 Bronze	A total of 16 medals
Sunita Dhobi	Para powerlifting	22nd Para Senior Powerlifting	Greater Noida	Bronze	79 kg
Anita Kumari	Para Shooting	Khelo India Para Games 2025	—	Bronze	10m Air Pistol
Ritika Singh	Ice Stock	National Ice Stock Championship	Gulma rg	1 Gold, 1 Silver, 2 Bronze	Country's first transgender player
Arna Sahni	Table Tennis	86th Junior/ Cadet National TT	Indore	Silver	U-11 Girls
Juhi Sharma	Karate	State Karate Championship	—	Gold	7th time in a row
Juhi Sharma	Karate	International Karate	Kolka t a	Gold	58 kg
Mitrabha Guha (WB)	Chess	Jaipur Open FIDE Rapid	Jaipur	Winner	Open Category

Abhivadan Bhaduka	Chess	Jaipur Open	Jaipur	First	Under-9
Veethika Kaushal	Chess	Jaipur Open	Jaipur	First	Under-7
Rajiv Agarwal	Table Tennis	Indian Masters TT	Mumbai	Bronze	Rajasthan Team
Shrikishan Maheshwari	Table Tennis	Indian Masters TT	Mumbai	Bronze	Rajasthan Team
Jaswant Singh Meel	Golf	CII Vedanta HZL Golf Cup	—	Best CII Golfer	—
Mohammad Amaan (Tonk)	Badminton	All India Senior Rankings	Bengaluru	Gold	Men's Doubles
Amish Shivdas	Kick boxing	National Kick Boxing	Goa	1 Gold, 1 Bronze	For Rajasthan

## Rajasthan's Performance in National Competitions

### 5th Khelo India University Games 2025 (KIUG 2025)

- The games were held from 24th November to 5th December 2025 in 7 cities of Rajasthan, including Jaipur, Ajmer, Udaipur, Jodhpur, Bikaner, Kota, and Bharatpur.
- **Chandigarh University** (Punjab) topped the medal tally with a total of 67 medals (42 gold, 14 silver and 11 bronze).
- Lovely Professional University (LPU), Punjab finished second with a total of 78 medals (32 gold, 24 silver and 22 bronze).
- Guru Nanak Dev University (GNDU), Amritsar (Punjab) secured the third position with a total of 72 medals (32 gold, 22 silver and 18 bronze).
- **Organizers:** Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports (MYAS), Sports Authority of India (SAI), MYAS, Association of Indian Universities (AIU), Rajasthan State Sports Council (RSSC)
- Participants: 4,448 athletes from 222 universities
- The inaugural **edition** was held in Odisha from 22nd February to 1st March 2020.

### Medal Table

Rank	University	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total medals
1.	Chandigarh University (Punjab)	42	14	11	67
2.	Lovely Professional University (Punjab)	32	24	22	78
3.	Guru Nanak Dev University (Punjab)	32	22	18	72
4.	Jain University (Karnataka)	30	9	11	50
5.	Guru Kashi Vishwavidyalaya (Punjab)	15	15	18	48

- **Srihari Nataraj:** Srihari Nataraj, an Olympian from Jain University, was the most successful athlete in swimming with 9 gold and 2 silver medals.

## Medal Winning Universities of Rajasthan

University	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Maharaja Ganga Singh University (25th position overall)	2	2	1	5
Manipal University, Jaipur (35th)	1	2	0	3
Sri J.J.T. University, Jhunjhunu (41st)	1	1	2	4
Mohanlal Sukhadia University (46th))	1	1	0	2
Maharshi Dayanand Saraswati University, Rajasthan (62nd)	1	0	0	1
University of Kota (62nd)	1	0	0	1
University of Rajasthan (91st)	0	1	3	4
Pt. Deen Dayal Upadhyaya Shekhawati Vishwavidyalaya (92nd)	0	1	2	3
Bhupal Nobles University (94th)	0	1	1	2
Maharaja Surajmal Brij University, Bharatpur (100th)	0	1	0	1
Nirvana University, Jaipur (100th)	0	1	0	1
Janardan Rai Nagar Rajasthan Vidyapeeth (127th)	0	0	1	1
Sri Kallaji Vedic Vishwavidyalaya, Chittorgarh (127th)	0	0	1	1
Rajarshi Bhartrihari Matsya Vishwavidyalaya, Rajasthan (127th)	0	0	1	1
Jai Narain Vyas University, Rajasthan (127th)	0	0	1	1

- 15 universities of Rajasthan won a total of 31 medals, including 7 gold, 11 silver and 13 bronze.

### Rajasthan at Khelo India National Youth Games 2025

- Rajasthan secured the third position in the country in the 7th Khelo India National Youth Games held in Bihar.
- Rajasthan won a total of 60 medals, including 24 gold, 12 silver and 24 bronze medals.
- This performance is Rajasthan's best performance so far.
- Last time, Rajasthan was in 5th place with 13 gold medals.

### Top 3 States - Medal Table

State	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Maharashtra	58	47	53	158
Haryana	39	27	51	117
Rajasthan	24	12	24	60

### Sports-wise medal tally - Rajasthan (Total: 60 medals)

S.No.	Sport	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Cycling	9	2	3	14
2	Shooting	3	2	2	7

3	Judo	2	1	1	4
4	Yoogasan	2	0	1	3
5	Athletics	2	2	0	4
6	Wrestling	2	1	6	9
7	Boxing	2	1	4	7
8	Fencing	1	0	1	2
9	Weightlifting	1	0	0	1
10	Basketball	0	1	0	1
11	Archery	0	0	1	1
12	Swimming	0	0	1	1
13	Volleyball	0	0	0	0
14	Kabaddi	0	0	1	1
15	Rugby	0	0	1	1
16	Kalaripayattu	0	2	1	3
17	Thang-Ta	0	0	1	1
Total		24	12	24	60

- Chef-de-Mission of Rajasthan: Ranvijay Singh Champawat

#### **Rajasthan at the first Khelo India Beach Games 2025**

- Events: 19–24 May 2025 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.
- Opening Ceremony: May 19, Ghoghla Beach, Diu.
- Mascot: Pearl – a dolphin seen on Nagoa Beach.
- Participants: 811 athletes, 31 States/UTs.
- A 70-member team of Rajasthan State Sports Council participated in it.
- **Game:**
  - Competitive Games (6): Pencak Silat, Beach Soccer, Sepak Takraw (Kick Volleyball), Beach Kabaddi, Beach Volleyball, Open Water Swimming
  - Demonstration Games (2): Tug of War, Mallakhamba
- Rajasthan won a total of 6 medals, including 1 silver and 5 bronze medals.
- Rajasthan finished 19th in the medals tally while Manipur topped the medal tally with a total of 14 medals including 5 gold, 6 silver and 3 bronze medals.
- Rajasthan Kabaddi Beach team won the silver medal.
  - In the title match of Kabaddi, Haryana defeated Rajasthan 48-29 in the final.
- Apart from this, the Rajasthan team won 5 bronze medals in Pencak Silat.
- In Pencak Silat, Rajasthan's men's team won bronze medals: Chenaram in the 90–95 kg category, Ravi Chaudhary in the 80–85 kg category, and Ajay Chaudhary in the 70–75 kg category.
- In the women's category, Gayatri Chaudhary won bronze in 75-80 kg and Poonam Bishnoi won bronze in 65-70 kg.
- Chef de Mission of Rajasthan: Narendra Bhuria

#### **Rajasthan finishes 4th in Khelo India Para Games 2025**

- The 2nd Khelo India Para Games were held in New Delhi from March 20-27, 2025.
- Rajasthan won a total of 61 medals, including 22 gold, 16 silver and 23 bronze medals.
- Rajasthan finished fourth in the medal tally.

- Rajasthan won the title of Champion of Champions by winning 9 medals in the shooting (rifle and pistol) competition of the Khelo India Para Games.
- Rajasthan won 4 gold, 2 silver and 3 bronze medals in this competition.

**Medal winners from Rajasthan**

- Mona Agarwal (1 Gold and 2 Silver medals)
- Rudransh Khandelwal (1 Gold and 1 Bronze)
- Avani Lekhara (Gold Medal)
- Nihal Singh (Gold Medal)
- Vijay Singh Kuntal (Bronze medal)
- Rahul Sharma (Bronze medal)

**Khelo India Para Shooting Rajasthan Champion of Champions with 9 medals**

- Rajasthan won the title of Champion of Champions by winning 9 medals in the shooting (rifle and pistol) event of the Khelo India Para Games held in New Delhi.
- UP finished second with 4 medals and Maharashtra third with 3 medals.
- Rajasthan won 4 gold, 2 silver and 3 bronze medals.
- Chef de Mission in Rajasthan shooting contingent: Shamim Ahmed

**Medal winners from Rajasthan**

- Avani Lekhara (Gold)
- Mona Agarwal (Gold & 2 Silver)
- Nihal Singh (Gold)
- Rudransh Khandelwal (Gold & Bronze)
- Vijay Singh Kuntal (Bronze)
- Rahul Sharma (Bronze)

**Rajasthan at 38th National Games 2025**

- The 38th National Games 2025 was held in Uttarakhand from January 28 to February 14.
- For the first time in the history of sports, events will be held in 7 cities of a state.
- **7 cities:** Dehradun, Haridwar, Nainital, Haldwani, Rudrapur, Shivpuri and New Tehri.
- The motto of this competition was "From Resolve to Peak".
- The mascot of the National Games was Molly, a Himalayan monal bird.
- The torch of the Games was named Tejaswini.
- A total of 32 competitive sports were included in the event, along with four demonstration events – Mallakhamba, Kalaripayattu, Rafting and Yogasana were also presented.
- A total of 11,354 players participated in the competition.
- A total of 421 athletes and 110 officials from Rajasthan participated.
- The state won a total of 43 medals, including 9 gold, 11 silver and 23 bronze medals.
- The next National Games are proposed to be held in Meghalaya.
- Rajasthan finished 15th in this competition.
- The flag bearer of the Rajasthan contingent at the 38th National Games, starting from 28th **January 2025** in Uttarakhand, was **international shooter** Omprakash Mitarwal.
- A contingent of 421 players from Rajasthan is participating in these games.
- Deputy Chef de Mission for National Games: Om Prakash Vishwakarma
- Companion of Rajasthan contingent: Giriraj Khandelwal (President of Jaipur Olympic Association).

Sport	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
Wushu (Most medal wins)	4	1	7	12
Shooting	1	2	0	3
Kabaddi	1	0	1	2

Archery	1	0	1	2
Weightlifting	1	0	0	1
Canoeing and Kayaking	1	0	0	1
Cycling	0	3	1	4
Taekwondo	0	1	1	2
Boxing	0	1	1	2
Netball	0	1	1	2
Athletics	0	1	1	2
Wrestling	0	1	0	1
Mallakhamba	0	0	2	2
Yogasan	0	0	2	2
Judo	0	0	1	1
Squash	0	0	1	1
Volleyball	0	0	1	1
Handball	0	0	1	1
Badminton	0	0	1	1

- **Rajasthan** won the highest number of 4 gold medals in the Wushu game, including the record gold medal of Shubham Gaura.
- **Harcharan Singh won the gold medal in weightlifting 109 kg by lifting 347 kg.**
  - Harcharan Singh won the gold medal by lifting 160 kg in snatch and 187 kg in clean and jerk.
  - Harcharan Singh has become the first player from Rajasthan to lift 160 kg in the snatch.
- **Pradyuman Singh Rathore won the gold medal in canoeing and kayaking.**
- **Rajasthan's Rajat Chauhan won the individual gold medal in the compound archery event.**
- **Rajasthan men's beach kabaddi team won the gold medal for the first time.**
  - Rajasthan defeated Haryana Beach Kabaddi team 44-42 in a thrilling match in the final.
- **Rajasthan shooter Anantjeet Naruka won the gold medal in the skeet event.**

#### Archery Premier League: Rajputana Royals Rajasthan crowned Champions

- Rajputana Royals Rajasthan won the world's first archery premier league title.
- The competition was held in Delhi from 2nd to 12th October 2025.
- The key players in the team were **Swati Dudhwal (Rajasthan)**, Ella Gibson (Great Britain), Mete Gazos (Turkey), Ankita Bhagat (Jharkhand), Basanti Mahto (Jharkhand), Sachin Gupta (Delhi), Ojas Deotale (Maharashtra) and Prathamesh Fuge (Maharashtra).
- The team was coached by Jiwanjot Singh Teja and Deepak Malik.
- The final match with Prithviraj Yoddha Delhi was tied on 4-4 set points.
- In the tiebreaker, Rajputana Royals hit 2 arrows on target, while the rival team could not hit a single target.

#### National Para Throwball Championship

- It was held in Coimbatore, Tamil Nadu.

Men's Category	Women's Category
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Champion: Andhra Pradesh</li> <li>● Runner-up: Jharkhand</li> <li>● In this, <b>the Rajasthan team secured the third position.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Champion: Karnataka</li> <li>● Runner-up: Jharkhand</li> <li>● Third position: Tamil Nadu</li> </ul>

### Rajasthan becomes overall winner of 34th Senior National Wushu Championship

- The 34th Senior National Wushu (Women and Men) Championship was held at Purnima University.
- **Organizers:** Under the joint auspices of the Wushu Association of India and the Rajasthan Wushu Association.
- In this, the Rajasthan team won a total of 24 medals, including 10 gold, 8 silver and 6 bronze and was the overall champion.
- In the medal tally, Rajasthan stood first, SSCB second, and SSB third.

### National Muay Thai Championship – Rajasthan finishes second

- The competition was held at Maharshi Dayanand University, Rohtak (Haryana).
- The Rajasthan team secured the second position in the country.

#### Medal winners from Rajasthan

- Dhanishta Agarwal – Gold Medal
- Rajkumari Gaur – Gold Medal
- Rayna Saini – Silver medal
- Vishnu Prasad – Silver Medal
- Richa – Bronze medal

### Rajasthan finished runners-up in the Beach Kabaddi National Games

- In the 12th Beach Kabaddi Championship (Machilipatnam, Andhra Pradesh), the Rajasthan men's team finished as the runners-up.
- The competition was held at Machilipatnam, Andhra Pradesh.
- Andhra Pradesh beat Rajasthan 42-32.

Competition/ Event	Sport	Place	Rajasthan's performance	Key Players/ Description
National Para Swimming Championships (25th)	Para Swimming	Hyderabad	Third position	Total 97 medals (36 gold, 38 silver, 23 bronze)
National Sub-Junior Boys Judo	Judo	Hyderabad	Overall runner-up	1 gold, 2 silver, 1 bronze: Vijender Kumar (35kg) won gold.
Governor's Gold Cup	Football	Gangtok, Sikkim	Winner	RUFC wins the title for the first time
25th National Para Swimming	Para Swimming	Hyderabad	Great Performance	47 medals (18 gold, 19 silver, 10 bronze)
National Senior Fencing	Fencing	—	2 Bronze	Gajendra (Goil), Karan Singh (Sabre)
National Junior Grappling	Grappling	Haridwar	Great performance	33 medals (8 gold, 10 silver, 15 bronze)
Junior National Shootingball	Shootingball	Ghaziabad	Bronze	Girls team beat Delhi
'Tour de Thor'	Cycling	Bikaner	Historical Event	India's first 200 km International race
Sub-Junior and Junior National Squash	Squash	Chennai	Excellent Performance	Divyanshi Jain wins gold; Dhairya Gogia,

				Prabhav Bajoria won bronze
Sub-Junior National Ball Badminton	Ball Badminton	Dindigul	Bronze	Yatharth Jariwal, Jairam Jat, Aditya Giri
Kukkiwon Cup International Taekwondo	Taekwondo	New Delhi	5 Medals	Anay, Riya, and Samayra won gold, while Shaurya and Tiuransh won bronze.
18th Sub-Junior National Roll Ball Championship	Roll Ball	Agra, Uttar Pradesh	Silver Medal	Captain: 12-member team including Raghav Sharma
Jaipur Open FIDE Rated Rapid Chess	Chess	Jaipur	Successful Event	Winner: Kartavya Anandkant (Gujarat)
Indian Junior Open Squash Championship	Squash	Jaipur	6 Medals	2 Gold, 1 Silver, 3 Bronze
44th Sub-Junior National Shooting Ball	Shootingball	Bodh Gaya	Winner	Beat Punjab in the final; Captain Mitesh – Best Player
Indian Open Para Athletics	Para Athletics	Bengaluru	21 Medals	5 Gold, 6 Silver, 10 Bronze
U-18 Youth National Kabaddi	Kabaddi	Haridwar	Silver	Girls Team Runners-up
24th Junior National Wushu Competition	Wushu	Hyderabad	Third place	7 Gold, 9 Silver, 4 Bronze
Under-19 All India IPSC Chess	Chess	Indore	2 Medals	Ashi Upadhyay won gold, Nandini Sharma won silver.
51st Junior National Swimming	Swimming	Ahmedabad	Team Engagement	17-member Rajasthan team
25th Sub-Junior National Wushu	Wushu	Tamil Nadu	Third place overall	Total 29 medals (8 gold, 5 silver, 16 bronze)
Rajasthan State Senior Swimming Championship	Swimming	Jaipur	Jaipur Overall Winner	Yug Chellani (3 gold), Yogya Singh (Individual champion)
Northern Slam Open Squash	Squash	Jaipur	Great performance	Divyanshi Jain, Gauravi Ajmera, Subhash Chaudhary
Third National Lacrosse Championship	Lacrosse	—	5 Gold, 1 Bronze	Senior/ Junior/ Sub-Junior Category
Khelo India National Archery (NTPC)	Archery	Bhopal	2 Bronze	Swati Dudhwal, Shivani
Fourth Federation Cup Kabaddi	Kabaddi	Amravati	Runner-up	Lost to Railways in the final
Under-1800 FIDE Rating Chess	Chess	Jaipur	Successful Events	280 players from 22 states

7th Youth National Boxing	Boxing	Greater Noida	Third place	Rajasthan ranks third in women's category
68th National School Games	Boxing	Delhi	Third place	Sahil Chaudhary (50kg)
Youth Women's Boxing Championship	Boxing	Noida	Third place	2 Gold (Suman, Nisha), 3 Bronze
Brahmaputra Open Squash	Squash	Guwahati	1 Silver, 2 Bronze	Avalokit Singh (Silver medal)
Under-20 National Wrestling	Wrestling	Kota	1 Gold, 7 Bronze	Haryana - Overall Winner
40th Youth National Basketball	Basketball	Puducherry	Runner-up	Best Scorer: Armaan Matoria
47th Junior National Girls Handball	Handball	Lucknow	Bronze medal	Rajasthan and Maharashtra jointly secured third position
34th Sub-Junior Kabaddi Championship	Kabaddi	Gaya, Bihar	Gold	Win over Haryana in the final
Junior National Judo	Judo	Dehradun	6 Medals	2 Silver, 4 Bronze
Khelo India National Women's Wushu League	Wushu	Gandhinagar	9 Medals	1 Gold, 3 Silver, 5 Bronze
Formation of State Cricket Steering Committee	Cricket	Rajasthan	Administrative Decision	Rohit Jhalani and 7 members
National Pickleball Championships	Pickleball	Indore	Overall Champion	26 medals (11 gold, 7 silver, 8 bronze)
18th Senior State Level Wushu	Wushu	Pushkar	Jaipur Overall Winner	Jaipur: 10 gold, 7 silver, 2 bronze.
Deaf National Championship	Multi-sport	Ahmedabad	10 Medals	3 Gold, 4 Silver, 3 Bronze
42nd Para Rowing National Championships	Para rowing	Bhopal	Gold	Anita Chaudhary (Jhunjhunu - Nawalgarh)
34th Senior National Wushu	Wushu	Jaipur	National Events	All teams including Army, CRPF, BSF, ITBP
WTT Youth Contender	Table Tennis	Vadodara	2 Bronze	Aarav Acharya (U-15 Singles & Mixed), Radhika Soni (Mixed)
All India University Wushu	Wushu	Chandigarh	8 Medals	2 Gold, 1 Silver, 5 Bronze (University of Rajasthan)
38th National Games	Kalaripayattu	Uttarakhand	Bronze	Gurnidhan Singh, Harshvardhan Singh (First Medal)
11th National Ice Stock	Ice Stock	Gulmarg	4 Medals	Ritika Singh won 1 gold and 1 silver, Nandini

				Sindhi won 1 silver and 1 bronze.
Second National Sub Junior and Senior Lakrose	Lacrosse	Udaipur	Winner	Senior Men's and Women's Winners
68th National School Girls Cricket	Cricket	Udaipur	Third position	Maharashtra - Winner, UP - runners-up
Junior National Archery	Archery	—	2 Bronze	Rajasthan Men's and Women's Team
Indian Air Pistol Team Coach Appointed	Shooting	—	Administrative Achievement	Om Prakash Choudhary appointed as pistol coach
National Senior Yogasana Competition	Yogasana	Thiruvananthapuram	Appointed as Referee	Dr. Satish Chaudhary (Udaipur)

## National Competitions

Subject/competition	Sport/ Field	Place	Rajasthan's Performance/ Result	Key facts
Appointment of Sairaj Bahutule	Cricket (IPL)	—	Rajasthan Royals' spin coach	Head Coach: Rahul Dravid
Soft Hockey National Championship	Soft Hockey	Faridabad	Gold (Senior Men, Sub-Junior Girls)	Silver in Junior Boys
Junior National Archery	Archery	Bholpur, West Bengal	2 Bronze	Men's & Women's Teams
Fourth National Soft Hockey	Soft Hockey	Faridabad	Organized	—
71st Senior National Kabaddi	Kabaddi	Karnal, Haryana	Bronze (Women's Category)	Bronze for the fourth time
National Para Athletics	Para Athletics	Chennai	63 Medals	14 Gold, 23 Silver, 26 Bronze
Second National Senior Lacrosse	Lacrosse	Udaipur	Gold	—
Asian Youth Lacrosse Championship	Lacrosse	Okinawa, Japan	3 Players Selected	Mohanlal, Khumaram, Pranay
Rajasthan State Judo Association Elections	Judo (Administration)	Rajasthan	Harish Chandra Sharma, President	Secretary-General: Mahipal Grewal
World Para Throwball Federation	Para Throwball	—	Nirmala Rawat, President	Jaipur resident
Rajasthan State Wrestling Federation	Wrestling (Administration)	Rajasthan	Rajiv Dutta, President	Secretary: Umaid Singh

### Key Facts Useful for Exams

- Anita Choudhary won the National Gold Medal in Para Rowing.
- Kalaripayattu was a Demonstration Sport at the 38th National Games.
- Ritika Singh and Nandini Sindhi are the first transgender athletes to win a medal in the ice stock.
- Rajasthan was the National Champion in Senior Lacrosse (men and women).
- Om Prakash Chaudhary became the coach of the Indian Air Pistol team.
- Dr. Satish Chaudhary appointed as referee of National Yogasana Competition.
- Rajasthan became the Overall National Champion in Pickleball.
- Rajasthan girls team wins gold medal in Sub-Junior Kabaddi.
- Jaipur won the overall title at the 18th Senior State Level Wushu.
- Rajasthan State Sports Council constitutes the Steering Committee for Cricket.
- Rajasthan won 10 medals in the Deaf Games.
- In the sub-junior National Wushu, Rajasthan secured the third position overall by winning 29 medals.
- In lacrosse, Rajasthan performed brilliantly by winning 5 gold medals.
- Jaipur District was the overall winner in the Rajasthan Senior Swimming Championship.
- Rajasthan played the final for the third time in a row in the National Youth Basketball.
- Rajasthan finished runners-up in Federation Cup Kabaddi.
- **Rajasthan Roll Ball Association** - Chairman: Manohar Kant (Former IAS), President: Karan Singh Shekhawat.
- President of Rajasthan Kabaddi Association: Tejashwi Singh Gehlot.
- President of Rajasthan Swimming Association: Anil Vyas.

## 5. Miscellaneous

### Modification of Agro-Climatic Zone

- The Central Arid Zone Research Institute (CAZRI) has reclassified the agro-climatic zones of Rajasthan after 46 years.
- Although the number of zones remained at 10, the status of many districts has been changed.
- This study was conducted by former scientist Dr. D. V. Singh, and the report has been submitted to the Chief Secretary of the state government.
- This amendment is likely to bring in a major change in the agricultural policy, crop rotation, irrigation schemes and MSP procurement policy.

### Old vs. New Agroclimatic Zones

Zone	Old Regions/ Districts	New major districts
Western Arid Regions	Barmer, part of Jodhpur	Barmer, Jalore
Irrigated Area	Sriganganagar, Hanumangarh	Sriganganagar, Hanumangarh
Dry Irrigated	Bikaner, Jaisalmer, Churu	Bikaner, Churu
Internal Drainage Dryzone	Nagaur, Sikar, Jhunjhunu	Sikar, Jhunjhunu, Jaipur
Luni Basin Area	Jalore, Pali, Sirohi	Ajmer, Pali, Sirohi City, Reodar, Shivganj
Arid and Semi-arid Regions	New Zone	Jodhpur, Nagaur, Jaisalmer
Flood-affected Regions	Alwar, Dholpur, Karauli, Bharatpur, Sawai Madhopur	Apart from these 5 districts, Tonk and Ajmer are also included.
Sub-humid Region	Udaipur, Sirohi, Bhilwara, Chittorgarh	Udaipur, Bhilwara, Chittor, Rajsamand, Sirohi's only Abu Road and Pindwara are included.
Humid Region	Dungarpur, Banswara	Dungarpur, Banswara
Humid Hadauti	Kota, Jhalawar, Baran, Bundi	Apart from Kota, Baran, Bundi and Jhalawar, Pratapgarh is included.

### Key Findings:

- Bikaner is now considered more desert-like than Jaisalmer.
- Tonk and Dausa came out of the semi-arid zone and joined the flood-affected zone.
- Jaipur was put in the internal drainage zone along with Sikar and Jhunjhunu.
- Sirohi has been divided into two zones; now the cultivation of maize can be recommended here.
- Udaipur and Chittorgarh have been removed from the rice producing regions.
- Due to the influence of the Narmada River, Barmer-Jalore has a similar climate; it has been separated from Godwad.
- Pratapgarh has been added to the Hadoti region, where mustard, soybean, and sorghum will be cultivated.
- Jaisalmer, an extremely drought prone area, has now been added to the new cluster along with Jodhpur and Nagaur.

### Two new mustard varieties get national recognition

- Two improved varieties of mustard developed by Indian Mustard Research Institute, Bharatpur - 'Bharat Mustard-7' and 'Bharat Mustard-8' were recognized at the national level.
- These varieties are now approved for cultivation in 12 states of the country.
- They have been developed keeping in mind the geographical and climatic conditions.

### 'Nagori Pan Methi' in Spices Board list

- The Government of India has included 'Nagori Pan Methi' in the official spice list of the Spices Board.
- Under the Geographical Indication (GI) notification, along with the 52 spice crops already included in the list, Nagauri Paan Methi has been added as the 53rd item.
- After this recognition, Nagori Pan Methi can be included in the process of export and import through APEDA and other government agencies by issuing HSS codes.

### Viksit Rajasthan @ 2047 : Formation of Sectoral Group of Secretaries

- The Government of Rajasthan has constituted a 'Sectoral Group of Secretaries' on the lines of the Central Government keeping in view the long-term development goals of the State.
- The State Department of Administrative Reforms and Coordination issued orders on 22nd December 2025 regarding the formation of a total of 7 Sectoral Groups.
- These groups will be responsible for continuous review of major schemes, budget announcements and flagship programmes of the state.

#### Classification of Groups:

- Group 1: Rural Development and Agriculture
- Group 2: Infrastructure, Industry and Commerce
- Group 3: Resources
- Group 4: Social and Welfare Sector
- Group 5: Finance & Economy
- Group 6: Governance & Technology
- Group 7: Security

### Use of Artificial Intelligence in Mineral Exploration for the first time in Rajasthan

- Artificial Intelligence (AI) technology will be used for the first time to make the exploration of minerals more scientific and effective in Rajasthan.
- The initiative has been launched as a pilot project **covering selected areas of Bhilwara, Bharatpur and Chittorgarh.**
- The work will be taken up by the State Mineral Exploration Trust in collaboration with the Central Government and notified private exploration agencies.

### Unveiling of new logo of Lokayukta

- The logo of the Lokayukta was unveiled on 24 December 2025 at the Rajasthan Secretariat.
- The logo inscribed with the slogan "Nyayo Niti Cha Shasanam" clarifies the purpose of the Lokayukta institution.
- This logo signifies the path of honesty and good governance.
- The current Lokayukta of Rajasthan is Pratap Krishna Lohra.



### Rajasthan's first electric double-decker boat

- Rajasthan's first electric double-decker luxury boat was inaugurated on 7th June 2025 **at Pichola Lake in Udaipur.**
- The boat is based on modern 'Pontoon' technology, which makes it stable and safe even in thunderstorm-like situations.
- The boat has been allowed to accommodate 25 people.

### Pt. Deendayal Upadhyay Antyodaya Sambal Pakhwada

- Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya Antyodaya Sambal Pakhwada was organized by the Government of Rajasthan from 24th June to 9th July 2025.
- Under this, camps were be organized at the Gram Panchayat level.
- **Objective:** To provide direct benefits of government schemes to the general public.

### Auction of 8 Major Mineral Blocks – Rajasthan is the first state in the country

- The Department of Mines started the e-auction process of 8 pre-embedded Major Mineral Blocks of Limestone at Bilara from 7th November.
- Rajasthan has become the first state in the country to auction 8 pre-embedded blocks.

- All the necessary permissions such as the mining plan and environmental clearance have already been obtained by the department.
- RSMET has been made the nodal agency to facilitate these proceedings.

### **Sirohi's 'Abu Saunf-440' gets national recognition**

- The special variety 'Abu Saunf-440' of Kacholi village in Pindwara area of Sirohi district has been recognized as a farmer variety by the Farmers' Rights Protection Authority.
- This is the first such achievement for Rajasthan.
- DBT's Biotech Kisan Hub, South Asia Biotechnology Centre, Jodhpur and CAZRI RRS Pali contributed to this.
- Farmer Ishaq Ali will be provided a registration certificate by the Plant Protection Authority for this fennel variety.
- 'Abu Saunf-440' is renowned for its green color, coarse grains, and distinctive taste, and is currently grown in an area of about 9,000 hectares in the fertile lowlands of Mount Abu.

### **Army Commanders' Conference held in Jaisalmer**

- The Army Commanders' Conference was held at Jaisalmer Army Station on 23-25 October 2025.
- **Senior officers present at the conference:** Chief of Defence Staff, Chief of Army Staff, Defence Secretary and Vice Chief of Army Staff.

### **Rajasthan: First state to auction pre-embedded blocks**

- Before the auction of mines in Rajasthan, NOC (No Objection Certificate) will be obtained from all the concerned departments, so that the mining operations can start immediately after the auction.
- Rajasthan will be the first state in the country to have such a pre-embedded model.
- **Pre-embedded Model:** Obtaining necessary permissions before the auction of mines.
- The responsibility of obtaining permission for these mine blocks has been entrusted to the Rajasthan State Mineral Exploration Trust (RSMET).

### **India's most powerful electric engine high-speed trial test**

- India's most powerful electric locomotive (capacity: 9,000 horsepower) will be tested in Rajasthan. The trial will be conducted on a 64 km long track from Gudha to Mithri on the Jaipur-Jodhpur railway line.
- It is possible to test trains up to speeds above 220 kmph.

### **The country's first motorbike animal ambulance**

- The country's first motorbike animal ambulance has been prepared for the treatment of animals in Jaipur.
- This particular ambulance has been designed by modifying the Honda company's bike, which has other medical facilities including first aid.
- With this, the treatment of street dogs and destitute cows will be completely free.
- The ambulance service for pets will be free but the cost of their treatment will have to be borne by the animal owners.

### **National Forensic Science University (NFSU) to start in Jaipur**

- The campus of the National Forensic Science University (NFSU) in Jaipur, Rajasthan, will start in September 2025. Under this, a 40-room tower has been given to the university in the coaching hub located in Pratapnagar, Jaipur.
- Here, two forensic science programmes will be launched with a total of 80 seats.

### **9 laboratories of Rajasthan certified to international standards**

- A total of 9 laboratories of the Rajasthan State Pollution Control Board have now received certification from NABL after meeting international standards.
- These laboratories will now have air, water, sound, and soil tested according to the ISO/IEC 17025:2017 standard.

#### **Certified Laboratories:**

- Central Laboratory, Jaipur
- **Regional Laboratories:** Bhiwadi, Sikar, Udaipur, Kishangarh, Alwar, Kota, Chittorgarh and Bhilwara.

### **Vande Ganga Water Conservation - Jan Abhiyan**

- The "Vande Ganga Water Conservation Jan Abhiyan" was launched by the Government of Rajasthan on 5th June 2025 from Keshoraipatan, Bundi.
- The campaign will run from June 5 to June 20, 2025, in all 41 districts of the state.
- The tagline of the campaign is "Pani Ro Maan Rakho, Jeevan Ro Dhyan Rakho".
- The nodal agency for this campaign is the Watershed Development and Soil Conservation Department.
- **Objective:** Restoration of water structures, reduction in water pollution, awareness towards environmental protection, groundwater recharge, better water use through behavioural change.
- This included increasing irrigation capacity, strengthening of flood control system, construction of water harvesting structures, rejuvenation of reservoirs and repair of dams, anicuts and canals.

### **OBC (Political Representation) Commission set up in Rajasthan**

- The state government constituted the State OBC (Political Representation) Commission regarding the political reservation of the OBC category in Panchayati Raj and Urban Bodies.
- The Commission will make suggestions and recommendations to ensure political representation of the OBC community.
- This is the first OBC Commission in the state which focuses exclusively on political reservation.
- **Composition of the Commission:** Chairman: Madan Lal (Retired District Judge)
  - **Members:** 4

### **Sangri gets Geographical Indication (GI) tag**

- Rajasthan's famous bean Sangri has been awarded the Geographical Indication (GI) tag.
- It is mainly grown in Bikaner, Barmer and Jaisalmer districts.
- With the GI tag, its products will now get a boost in the national and international market.
- Sangri is the 17th product from Rajasthan to receive the GI tag.
- Earlier, in the year 2021, Sojat's mehndi was recognized as the 16th GI tag product.

### **Rehabilitation of victims of Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome for the first time in the country**

- This is an initiative of Jaipur Police.
- The Jaipur Commissionerate's West Police has launched a rehabilitation programme for people affected by 'Post Traumatic Stress Syndrome (PTSD)' (a mental health condition that worsens after a heinous incident) for the first time in the country.
- This initiative is being implemented in Rajasthan with the support of the private sector.

### **Rajasthan recognized as "Most Progressive State" in Mineral Sector**

- Rajasthan has been recognized as the "Most Progressive State" in the mineral sector.
- **Note:** The State has auctioned the highest number of blocks of Major Minerals.
- The central and state governments as well as private sector agencies are also active to speed up mineral exploration.
- So far, 35 private exploration agencies have been registered across the country by the National Mineral Exploration Trust (NMET).

### **Sant Atmaram 'Lakshya' Panorama announced**

- The Rajasthan government announced the construction of a panorama in Shyadaspura (Jaipur) in memory of Sant Atmaram 'Lakshya'.
- It will be dedicated to the cultural heritage in the society, social equality and their contribution to the upliftment of the Raigar society.

### **A total of 40 Nagar Vans (Oxyzone) will be set up in Rajasthan**

- At present, there are 22 Nagar Vans in Rajasthan that are either operational or under construction; this number will now be increased and expanded to 40 Nagar Vans.
- In the first phase, development work of these 22 city forests in 13 cities is in progress.
- In addition, 18 new Nagar Vans are proposed, which have been sent to the Central Government.
- Components included in Nagar Van: Biodiversity Park, Smriti Van, Butterfly Conservation Centre, Herbal Garden.

### **The country's largest book**

- India's largest book was launched on 24th April 2025 at the Panchkalyanak Mahotsav at Shri Jinshasan Teerth Kshetra in Ajmer, Rajasthan.
- This book is 36 feet long and 24 feet wide (36 x 24) and was recorded in the World Book of Records.
- This book has 18 pages, in which the biography of Jain Acharya Vidyanand Maharaj has been written.

### **State Level Steering Committee constituted for Vision Document of Viksit Rajasthan 2047**

- A State Level Steering Committee has been constituted under the chairmanship of the Chief Secretary to prepare, progress and monitor **the vision document for Viksit Rajasthan 2047**.
- Preparing a roadmap for developed Rajasthan 2047, 45 major departments of the state have been divided into 14 sectors.
- In the state budget 2024-25, 10 resolutions were presented for a developed Rajasthan.

### **Notification of one municipal corporation each in Jaipur, Jodhpur and Kota**

- The state government has merged the areas of the two currently functioning municipal corporations and reconstituted Municipal Corporation Jaipur, Municipal Corporation Kota, and Municipal Corporation Jodhpur.
- A notification in this regard was issued by the state government on 28th March 2025.
- This decision was taken under the powers conferred in Sections 3, 5, 6 and 10 of the Rajasthan Municipalities Act 2009.
- Jaipur Municipal Corporation will have 150 wards and Kota-Jodhpur will have 100 wards each.

### **Increase in monthly allowances of Mayor, Chairman and Municipal Chairpersons**

- The Rajasthan government has increased the monthly allowances of local body heads and councillors, as well as the honorarium paid for attending meetings.
- Under this provision, the Mayor will now receive a monthly allowance of ₹33,396, the Chairperson of the Municipal Council ₹20,038, and the Municipal Board President ₹12,524.

### **The first state in the country to provide treatment facilities with VIA technology with screening of HIV victims.**

- Rajasthan has become the first state in the country to screen and treat women suffering from HIV.
- In Rajasthan, a facility of screening for cervix cancer of women suffering from Human Immunodeficiency (HIV) virus has been started.
- This facility has been started at **36 Anti Retroviral Therapy (ART) centers** in the state.
- At these centres, screening will be carried out using the Visual Inspection with Acetic Acid (VIA) technique, enabling timely treatment and saving lives.

### **Agro clinics to open in Rajasthan**

- In the initial phase, the Agriculture Department will select the location for the agro clinics to be set up in 20 districts.
- **Objective** - Facilitate timely investigation of infection and pest diseases in crops at the district level.
- **Districts include** Jhunjhunu, Churu, Sikar, Jaipur, Ajmer, Alwar, Bhilwara, Dholpur, Dausa, Tonk, Bikaner, Pali, Udaipur, Hanumangarh, Bharatpur, Sawai Madhopur, Karauli, Jodhpur, Kota and Sriganganagar.

### **Cancer vaccine to be manufactured in Rajasthan**

- The Drug Controller General of India (DGCI) has given permission to **the Mahatma Gandhi Medical College in Jaipur** to make dendritic cell vaccines.
- This medical college will be **the first institute in the country** where cancer vaccine manufacturing will take place.
- Under this, the college has been given a grant of Rs 3 crore from the Government of India.

### **Sanction for women battalions in Sikar, Alwar and Barmer**

- The Rajasthan government has issued financial and administrative approval for setting up of 3 new women police battalions.

1. Padmini Battalion at Sikar
  2. Kalibai Battalion at Alwar
  3. Amrita Devi Battalion at Barmer
- There are currently 18 battalions in Rajasthan and the total number of battalions will become 21 with the addition of 3 new battalions.
  - The state's **first women's battalion**, Hadi Rani, was established in Ajmer in 2008.
  - With the formation of 3 more battalions in Rajasthan, their number will increase to 4.

#### 'Tere Mere Sapne' Counseling Centre

- This initiative was launched by the National Commission for Women (NCW) on 8 March 2025 to provide pre-marriage counselling.
- **Objective:** To prepare young men and women mentally and emotionally before marriage.
- It started with 21 centers in 9 states including Rajasthan and Madhya Pradesh.
- **Counselling centres have been opened in Rajasthan (Bikaner, Udaipur), Madhya Pradesh (Bhopal), Maharashtra (Nashik, Jalna, Latur, Goregaon), Haryana (Gurugram), Odisha, New Delhi and Thiruvananthapuram.**

#### Increase in the number of members in Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC)

- Rajasthan Public Service Commission has approved 3 new member posts.
- This will increase the number of members in the Commission from 7 to 10.
- The decision was taken to strengthen the efficiency of the Commission and to ensure time-bound performance.
- For this, Regulation-3(1) of the Rajasthan Public Service Commission (Conditions of Service) Regulations, 1974 will be amended.
- Chairman of Rajasthan Public Service Commission (RPSC): **Utkal Ranjan (U.R.) Rao.**

#### Country's first 'Bal Nigam Sabha'

- Rajasthan will host the country's first Bal Nigam Sabha on August 15, 2025.
- The initiative will be organized under the joint aegis of Municipal Heritage, Future Society and Digital Bal Mela.
- This initiative is an effort to engage children in civic processes and promote their participation.

#### 'Sada Aagey' Project: Testing of Indigenous Ammunition

- The Indian Army successfully conducted a trial run of indigenous ammunition under the 'Sada Aagey Project' at Pokhran Field Firing Ranges, Jaisalmer.
- The test is a joint initiative of the Army and Defence Research Organisations.
- **Objective:** To indigenize defence production towards Aatmanirbhar Bharat and reduce dependence on imported ammunition.
- The project has participation from both the public and private sectors.

#### Approval for formation of 3 Joint Ventures in Energy Sector

- The state cabinet has approved the formation of three joint venture companies (JVs) under the agreements signed between the state government and three central public sector undertakings on 8 August 2024 and 29 September 2024.
1. **Indraprastha Gas Limited – RVUNL Joint Venture:** Stake: 74% – 26%
  2. **Oil India Limited – RVUNL Joint Venture:** Stake: 50% – 50%
  3. **GAIL (India) Limited – RVUNL Joint Venture:** Stake: 50% – 50%

#### Kekri, Sanchore, Neemkathana and Shahpura became municipalities again

- The Rajasthan government removed the municipal council status of 4 cities Kekri, Sanchore, Neemkathana, Shahpura (Bhilwara) and declared them as municipalities again.
- The Autonomous Government Department of Rajasthan has issued a notification in this regard.
- The reason for this is that the present government has not given district status to these places, which is a prerequisite for becoming a city council.

#### RCA Academy to be named "Major Dhyan Chand Khel Bhawan"

- The academy and office of the Rajasthan Cricket Association (RCA) are now under the Rajasthan State Sports Council.

- Now the RCA Academy will be renamed as "Major Dhyan Chand Khel Bhavan".
- President of Rajasthan State Sports Council: Dr. Neeraj K. Pawan.

### **Rajasthan Runway Fest**

- For the first time in Rajasthan, 'Rajasthan Runway Fest' will be organized at Jaipur International Airport from June 14 to June 22.
- **Objective:** To promote the rich folk art and cultural heritage of Rajasthan.

### **4,000 Megawatt Hour Battery Energy Storage System allocated to Rajasthan**

- Rajasthan has been allocated 4,000 MWh of Battery Energy Storage System under Viability Gap Funding by the Union Ministry of Power.
- The assistance under VGF will be provided from the Power System Development Fund of the Government of India.
- This will conserve electricity generated from renewable sources such as solar and wind energy and use it as per requirement.

### **45,000 Water Conservation Structures to be Constructed in Rajasthan**

- The Rajasthan government launched the "Karmbhoomi se Matrabhumi" campaign, in which the participation of migrant Rajasthani citizens has been ensured.
- Under this campaign, 45,000 water conservation structures will be built in the next 4 years.

### **Jaipur gets third leopard safari**

- The third Leopard Safari in Jaipur started from 5 June 2025.
- This safari is located in the Vidyadhar Nagar area, about 10 kilometers from Ajmeri Gate and will be known as "Beed Papad Leopard Safari".

### **MoU between Central and State Government at 3R Circular Economy Forum**

- On the first day of the event, 3rd March 2025, MoUs of 18 cities were signed for the Central Government program City Investments to Innovate Integrate and Sustain (CITIS) 2.0.
- This MoU was signed between the Central and State Governments.
- For this, **Jaipur and Udaipur cities** have been selected from Rajasthan.
- Under this project, each city will get about Rs 100 crore.

#### **12th Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum**

- India hosted the 12th Regional 3R and Circular Economy Forum in the Asia and Pacific region.
- It was held from 3-5 March 2025 at the Rajasthan International Centre, Jaipur.
- Its theme is "Realizing Circular Societies Towards Achieving SDGs and Carbon Neutrality in Asia Pacific".
- It was held for the second time in India.

### **Jalgrahan Yatra in Rajasthan**

- The Jalgrahan Yatra started in Rajasthan from 5th February 2025.
- A state-level programme of the Watershed Yatra was held in Baran under the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana 2.0 for watershed development, implemented by the Central Government.
- **Objective:** The objective is to inform the general public about watershed activities, make them aware of the benefits arising from them, and encourage their association with the project.

### **Hybrid Barrage at Ramjal Setu Project**

- A hybrid barrage will be built under the "Ramjal Setu Project" at Sripura in Chittorgarh district of Rajasthan.
- Its main objective is to use the wastewater of the Brahmani River, which will be conserved by connecting it to the Banas River.

### **e-Vehicle Promotion Fund**

- The Rajasthan government has set up an e-vehicle promotion fund of Rs 200 crore under the Electric Vehicle Policy-2022.
- The fund has been set up under the Electric Vehicles Policy-2022 to provide reimbursement of State GST amount and one-time grant to buyers of Electric Vehicles with modern batteries in line with FAME-II guidelines.

### Swadesh Darshan 2.0 Scheme

- The Union Ministry of Tourism has approved the development works at Shri Khatu Shyam Ji Temple (Sikar) in Rajasthan under the Rajasthan Tourism Department's proposal Swadesh Darshan 2.0 scheme.
- The objective of the scheme is to develop pilgrimage/spiritual tourism infrastructure at the identified sites.

### International Day of Forests State Level Celebrations

- Event: 21st March 2025 at Rajasthan International Centre, Jaipur.
- The foundation stone of the Institute of Forestry and Wildlife Training and Management was laid.
- New ecotourism facilities were inaugurated at Sita Mata Sanctuary.
- The Forest Soil Health Card was released in the state.

## Rajasthan: Committees and Task Force

Committee/ Name of the Task Force	Chairperson/Convener	Aim/ Area of operation
MLA Fund (MLA-LAD) Corruption Inquiry Committee	Chairman: Bhaskar Sawant	A four-member high-level committee has been constituted to investigate corruption/commission related to MLA-LAD in Khinvsar, Hindaun, and Bayana.
State Level Committee for Cooperatives	Chairman: Chief Minister Member Coordinator: Chief Secretary	Implementation of activities for the International Year of Cooperatives 2025.
State Administrative Unit Restructuring Advisory Committee	Chairman: Former IAS Lalit Panwar	Reorganization of revenue villages, sub-tehsils and tehsils
Cabinet Sub-Committee for Urban Body Restructuring	Convener: UDH Minister Jhabar Singh Kharra	Reorganisation of Urban Wards and Bodies
IYC State Level Apex Committee	Chairman: Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma	Monitoring and implementation of state level programmes for the cooperative year 2025
Cabinet Sub-Committee of Six Ministers on Land Allotment Policy	Nodal Department: UDH Department. <b>(Members of the committee:</b> Premchand Bairwa, Madan Dilawar, Gajendra Singh Kheenvsar, Avinash Meena, Jhabar Singh Kharra and Hemant Meena.)	Cabinet sub-committee of six ministers Objective: To study the relaxations required in the rules of land allotment and to determine the quantum of exemptions for different areas.
8th Economic Census – State Level Coordination Committee	Chairman: Chief Secretary	Successful conduct of 8th Economic Census (2025–26)
Yamuna Water Accord – Joint Task Force	Chairman (Meeting): Union Minister of Jal Shakti, C.R. Patil	Implementation of Yamuna Water Accord

## Major Exercises/Operations in Rajasthan

Practice/Operation	Related Forces/Forces/ Strengths Agency	place of origin	Key Details
<b>'Harimau Shakti-2025' Military Exercise</b>	India-Malaysia Joint Exercise	Mahajan Field Firing Range, Bikaner	Desert warfare exercises; Dogra Regiment Involved
<b>Ajay Warrior-2025</b>	Indian Army (Sikh Regiment) and UK Army (Royal Gorkha Rifles)	Mahajan Field Firing Range, Bikaner	Counter-terrorism operations, modern warfare techniques, joint military operations
<b>Exercise "Cyclone-III"</b>	India-Egypt	Mahajan Field Firing Range, Bikaner	Joint Special Forces
<b>Trishool</b>	Army, Navy and Air Force	Kutch region of Gujarat along Indo-Pak border	Largest-ever joint exercise between the three services
<b>Operation Urja Prahar</b>	Rajasthan Police and DISCOMs	Jhalawar	Joint Raid Operation Against Power Theft
<b>Operation Alert</b>	Border Security Force (BSF)	Rajasthan Border Area	Strengthening border security, practicing SOPs, dealing with potential threats
<b>Operation Heliborn</b>	Indian Army (Southern Command)	Pokhran Field Firing Range, Jaisalmer	High-intensity warfare exercises, modern weapons, surgical strike techniques
<b>Operation Smile</b>	Rajasthan Police	Rajasthan Police Academy, Jaipur	Awareness and Police Sensitization on Transgender Rights

Subject	Place/ Related Institutions	Key Details
Shaurya Tourism Circuit	Jaisalmer (Longewala-Tanot)	Announcement in the New Tourism Policy-2025; 1971 War Heroic Tales, War Museum and Religious Sites; Development of Roads and Tourist Amenities
First Army Day Parade	Jaipur (Jagatpura-Mahal Road)	15 January 2026; the fourth city outside Delhi; 15,000 soldiers, missiles, tanks, robotic dogs and fly-pasts.
Ban on new mining leases in Aravalli	Aravalli Ranges	A complete ban on new mining leases; ICFRE's Protected Area Expansion Directive; Objective - Ecological Conservation
Rajasthan e-Registration Rules	Finance & Registration Department	24×7 Online Registry; Registration from anywhere; copy by e-mail; Effective from 2nd December 2025
Defence Manufacturing Project	Kishangarh (Udaipur Khurd)	Rs 162 crore investment; State-of-the-art defence production unit

Solar Waste Recycling Project	Devka, Barmer	Rs. 100 crore investment; Solar Scrapping & Recycling Unit
Name change of Raj Bhavan	Raj Bhavan, Jaipur	Renamed 'Lok Bhavan'; Notification w.e.f. 1st December 2025
Rainwater Conservation and Agriculture Initiatives	Department of Agriculture, Rajasthan	25,000 farm ponds, 10,000 diggi tanks; 50,000 vermicompost units; fencing in the fields of 75,000 farmers; provision of ₹250 crore
Amendment to the Compassionate Appointment Rules	Department of Personnel, Rajasthan	Application deadline extended from 90 days to 180 days
Unified Metropolitan Transport Authority	Jaipur (JDA)	Mobility Roadmap to 2055; 129.55 km metro network; 245 km bus network; 25 Grade Separator
Hariyalo Rajasthan Environment Conclave	RSPCB, Jaipur	18 December 2025; Green Economy Exhibition; 'Meri Life' poster released
Free diagnostic services (Hub-and-Spoke Model)	National Health Mission	42 Mother Lab, 137 Hub, 1333 Spoke; 100+ special checkups free; Online Reports
RCDF's Dairy Initiative	Rajasthan Co-operative Dairy Federation	₹1000 crore fund; 70 lakh litres/day processing target; Cattle feed turnover at ₹10,000 crore
PMSHRI School Ranking	Education Department, Rajasthan	639 PMSHRI Schools; Ranking on 18 parameters; Launch 20th December 2025
Book 'Sanatan Sanskriti Ki Atal Drishti'	New Delhi	Author: Vasudev Devnani; Release - 24 December 2025; Based on Atal Bihari Vajpayee
115 GW Transmission System	Union Ministry of Power	115 GW of potential in Rajasthan; 6000 MW battery storage; First in the country in solar and renewable energy
Avian Disease Training	Sambhar Lake Region	5-6 December 2025; Avian botulism and influenza; First time in the state
Naunera and Parwan-Akad Drinking Water Projects	Kota, Bundi, Jhalawar, Baran	Jal Jeevan Mission; The total cost is Rs 5,184 crore.; Target - August 2027
Naunera Mega Drinking Water Project	Kota-Bundi	749 villages and 6 towns; 58.45 km Raw-Water Rising Main
Parwan-Akwad Drinking Water Project	Jhalawar-Baran-Kota	907+184+311 villages; 661 km transmission pipeline
Reconstruction of Ferozepur Feeder	Harike Barrage-Gangnahar	The cost is Rs 647.62 crore.; 3.14 lakh hectares of area benefited; Punjab-Rajasthan partnership
Janjatiya Gaurav Varsh	Entire Rajasthan	150th birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda; Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas on 15th November
Wildlife Week	Sariska Tiger Project, Alwar	Wildlife Conservation & Environmental Awareness
Non-AC Amrit Bharat Express	Jaipur (Madar-Darbhangra route)	Equipped with armor systems; 42-50 km/h Average speed
Hindi Medium B.Tech	IIT Jodhpur	"Matribhasha Hindi Model" under NEP 2020
Chief Minister's Ayushman Accident Insurance Scheme	Rajasthan	Assistance up to ₹10 lakh in case of accidental death/disability by SIPF Department of State Government
Voices of Bharat Campaign	Jaipur/ State Level	Training the youth on environment and climate change

Open Gym & Stadium	3,500 Gram Panchayats	Sports promotion to rural youth by Panchayati Raj Department
e-Payment Incentive Scheme	Agricultural Produce Markets	Incentives to farmers and traders through e-NAM
Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign	Entire Rajasthan	State Government Initiative. Objective: To strengthen the Swachh Bharat Mission
Eighth National Nutrition Month	State Level	Initiative of the Department of Women and Child Development. Nutrition & Health Awareness
Surtal Kala Mahotsav	Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	Music, Dance, Puppetry & Theatre
Book "Abhyudaya ki ore"	Rajasthan	Book released on Governor Haribhau Bagde's 1-year tenure
32nd Meeting of the Northern Zonal Council	Faridabad, Haryana	Members of Northern Zonal Council: Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Punjab, Rajasthan, Delhi (NCT), Chandigarh, Jammu & Kashmir, Ladakh
Inauguration of the Sahakar Gallery	Raisem, Jaipur	International Year of Cooperatives 2025; History, Principles, Achievements and Innovations of Cooperatives
'Vande Mataram Dirgha'	Rajasthan Vidhan Sabha Digital Museum	150 years of Vande Mataram; Possibly the first such assembly gallery in the country
Increase in TSP funds	Tribal areas	TSP: ₹1000 crore → ₹1500 crore; Govind Guru Janjati Kshetriya Vikas Yojana; New Residential School and Sahariya Sports Academy
Change of Designation (Rural Development)	—	New Designation: "Secretary of Government & Commissioner, Department of Rural Development"
Green Energy Investment (UAE)	Rajasthan	₹3 lakh crore by Minerva Energy Pvt. Ltd. (UAE); 60,000 MW of renewables (solar/wind/biomass/battery); Largest FDI
'Solar Village' Initiative	All Districts	At least one model solar village in each district by the DISCOM; Selected Districts: Churu, Bundi, Tonk, Jhalawar, Ajmer, Rajsamand, Pratapgarh, Jhunjhunu, Pali
New Thermal Power Project	Rajasthan	3200 MW by Rajasthan State Energy Development Corporation; Cost ₹32,000–38,400 crore; ~₹0.18/unit savings in interstate transmission
'Kavach system'	North Western Railway (Rajasthan)	5561 km of route; ~₹2300 crore; Phase-1: Bikaner area 1775 km (Kavach 4.0)
'Shaurya Van'	Jaisalmer	A symbol of environmental protection and military valour; Developed by the Indian Army
Hamara Vidyalaya – Hamara Swabhiman Abhiyan	Government & Private Schools, Rajasthan	Moral values, educational upliftment and nation building; ABRSM Initiatives; 1 Crore+ Students
16 New Punishments for Crimes	Home Department, Rajasthan	alternative penalties, including community service; Rehabilitation and Social Contribution of Offenders
Rajasthan Civil Services Rules Amendment	Finance Department	Community service-based alternative punishment; rehabilitation of offenders and their contribution to society.

Mahi Dam-Jawai Dam Project	Pali, Jalore, Sirohi, Jodhpur, Barmer	Sustainable drinking water solutions; Cost ~₹7000 crore
Isarda-Dausa Drinking water project	Lalsot (Dausa)	8 Reservoirs, 5 Pumphouses, 47 elevated reservoirs; Cost ~₹350 crore
Language Lab Establishment	Rajasthan	Foreign language training; EFLU Collaboration; Global Employment Preparation
Jaipur Metro Phase-2	Jaipur	43 km driverless metro; CBTC and GoA-4 technology; Train every 180 seconds
Startup Incentive Policy	Rajasthan	₹100 crore equity fund; grants up to ₹5 crore; Third State
Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima DBT	Jhunjhunu	₹1200 crore DBT payments to 27 lakh farmers
Census-2027 Coordination Committee	Department of Statistics	Chief Secretary Chairman; Coordination of all phases of the Census
Gogamedi Fair	Gogamedi Village, Hanumangarh	Starting from 9th August (Bhadrapada Purnima); 1 month duration; 30-35 lakh devotees expected
500 New Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs)	Entire Rajasthan	New FPO policy; Emphasis on One District-One Product and Panch Gaurav; Patents, Licenses & Marketing Support
Chairman/ Vice-Chairman of Commissions Honorarium	State Level Commissions/ Corporations	₹75,000 per month; option-based payment in place of other salaries/allowances.
Hindustan Zinc – ICMM Membership	Hindustan Zinc Limited	First Indian company to join ICMM; first new member since 2021
Institute of Plastication Technology	National Institute of Ayurveda (NIA), Jaipur	For the first time at the government level; a long-term organ preservation model.
Saras Mini Mart (Pilot Project)	Jaipur Rural Area	43 Saras Mini Marts; Dairy, Grocery, Agriculture & Consumer Products
National Deworming Day	Rajasthan	3.33 crore children aged 1-19 years to be given Albendazole
Homeopathy Super Speciality	National Commission for Homoeopathy	DM level studies for the first time; 6 super specialty subjects
100 Anicut Construction Plan	Government of Rajasthan	₹500 crore cost; Water Harvesting and Groundwater Improvement
Census-2027 Notification	Rajasthan/ Indian government	First digital and caste-based census; Delimitation and Useful in Policy Making
International Day of Yoga 2025	Entire Rajasthan	Yoga sessions at 1.30 lakh+ locations; First in the country on Yoga Sangam portal
Balotra Urban Development Trust (UIT)	Balotra and 120 villages	Planned Urban Development for Pachpadra Refinery Area
INSPIRE Award Standards	Udaipur	27 students selected for the national level; Highest number of cases from Hanumangarh (6)
Rajasthan Gramin Bank	Entire Rajasthan	Merger of Marudhara RRB and Baroda RRB; effective from May 1, 2025
Vedic Sanskar & Education Board	Rajasthan	Chairman: Prof. Ganeshi Lal Suthar; Operation of Veda Vidyalayas and Gurukuls

Increase in MLA fund support	Rajasthan	Up to ₹25 lakh to Trusts/ NGOs; 30% own contribution mandatory
e-Tax Officer Module	Department of Commercial Taxes	Country's first ITMS based module for SGST
Kaizen 10428 Team	Rajasthan	Qualifies for FRC Houston World Championships; Engineering Excellence Award
Suraksha Sakhi Samvad Pakhwada	Rajasthan Police (State Level)	Safety awareness for women and girls, and information about women's safety laws
481st Prakash Utsav of Shri Dadu Maharaj	Naraina Dham (Main Centre of Dadu Sect)	Celebration of Dadu Dayal Maharaj's birth anniversary
Commonwealth Police Sports Union	Jaipur (Announcement)	Promotion of sports among police of Commonwealth countries
Sustainable Integrated Farming Model	Jahota, Jaipur (Brahma Kumaris)	Promotion of Natural and Organic Farming
New Chapters of Rajasthan Foundation	India & Abroad	Strengthening Relations with Overseas Rajasthanis
Domestic Chapters	Bhubaneswar, Delhi, Pune, Ranchi, Guwahati	Organization of Migrant Rajasthanis
International Chapters	Dubai, Munich, Riyadh, Tokyo, Singapore, Doha, Melbourne, Nairobi, Kampala	Connecting with the Migrant Rajasthani Movement Globally

## Major Environmental Initiatives of the State Government

Initiative/ Scheme	Place/ Field	Key Objectives/ Features
e-Waste Collection Campaign	7 Divisional Headquarters & Industrial Towns	Introduction of 11 e-waste collection vehicles; e-waste management
Sanganer CETP	Sanganer, Jaipur	Restoration of Zero Liquid Discharge Based CETP; Waste treatment of the printing industry
New Green Projects	Udaipur and Jaipur	Machhla Magra Nagar Forest, Risala Green Lungs, Beed Papad Safari
Circular Economy Incentive Scheme	State Level	Promoting recycling and reuse of resources
Management Information System 2.0	State Level	Auto-renewal system; Enhancing the efficiency of environmental management

## 6. Conference, Meeting, Festival

Programme/ Event	Date/ Period	Place	Theme/ Subject	Key facts
Pravasi Rajasthani Divas-2025	10th December 2025	Jaipur	Connecting migrant Rajasthanis with the state.	First event held; release of the book "Commitment in Action"; 14 new chapters; Pravasi Rajasthani Policy-2025 released; ground-breaking for investments worth ₹1 lakh crore.
DigiFest – Tie Global Summit 2025	January 4–6, 2026	JECC, Jaipur	Entrepreneurship & Innovation	First time in Jaipur; 10,000 Entrepreneurs, 500 Investors, 100+ Speakers
Regional AI Impact Conferences	6 January 2026	JECC, Jaipur	Democratizing AI for Public Good	Organized under AI Impact Summit
Shilpgram Mahotsav-2025	10 Days	Udaipur	Handicrafts & Folk Culture	1700 artists from 22 states; 400 stalls
Sharad Mahotsav – 2025	29–31 December 2025	Mount Abu (Sirohi)	Tourism & Culture	Organized by the Tourism Department and District Administration
Western Rajasthan Industry Handicrafts Festival-2026	Inauguration: 26 December 2025	Jodhpur	Handicraft Industry	Aims to make western Rajasthan a global handicrafts hub
SHIELD 1.0 (National Hackathon)	29–30 December 2025	CDTI, Jaipur	Smart Hackathon (Intelligence & Defence)	Focus on digital forensics, cybercrime, and AI
Kota-Hadoti Travel Mart	January 2–4, 2026	Kota	Promotion of Tourism	Promotion of tourism potential of Hadoti region
Rajasthan Power Sector Digital Conclave	23rd December 2025	Jaipur	Digital Transformation of the Energy Sector	GIS mapping, cyber security; ~Rs 700 crore proposed
State Level Farmers' Conference	23rd December 2025	Merta (Nagaur)	Agricultural Welfare	Rs. 351 crore Development works; Interest Provision on Crop Insurance Claims

Sambhar Festival	December 27–31, 2025	Sambhar (Jaipur)	Tourism & Culture	Organized by the Tourism Department and District Administration
Kumbhalgarh Festival – 2025	1st December 2025 (3 days)	Kumbhalgarh Fort, Rajsamand	Cultural Heritage	19th Edition; Promotion of Folk Art and Tourism
Western Regional Judicial Conference	December 13–14, 2025	Jaisalmer	Judicial Contemporary Issues	200 judges, including the CJI; Discussion on AI, Cybercrime
Rajasthan DigiFest 2026 (Teaser/Hackathon)	12 December 2025	Jaipur	Technology & Innovation	Budget 2025-26 allocates Rs 15 crore
iStart Rajasthan – Pragati	Continuous	Statewide	Startup Ecosystem	7200+ startups; Rs. 1000 crore investment
Saras Raj Sakhi National Fair – 2025	18 December 2025 – 4 January 2026	Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	India – A Facilitator	15,000+ products; Organized by Rajeevika
Innovation Day – Startup Expo	12 December 2025	Jaipur	Innovation & Entrepreneurship	Startup Exhibition; Funding Cheque Distribution
International Conference – Honouring outstanding contributions in the handicrafts sector	2–4 November 2025 (Three days)	Indian Institute of Crafts & Design, Jaipur	Kumbh and the Culture of Making	Artisans, designers, teachers and entrepreneurs felicitated for their outstanding contribution in the field of crafts
44th India International Trade Fair (IITF)	14–27 November, 2025	Pragati Maidan, New Delhi	Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat	Rajasthan gets partner status
11th International Yoga Day (State Level Celebrations)	June 21, 2025	Khuhri Sand Dunes, Jaisalmer	Yoga for One Earth, One Health	Chief Guest: Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma; Organizer: Department of Ayush, Rajasthan
Regional Meeting of the World Health Summit (WHS) 2025	25–27 April 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Enhancing Access to ensure health equity.	Hosts: NIMS University, Rajasthan, Ashoka University and Manipal Academy

International Festival of Colours	7th March 2025	Pushkar	—	Music and dance performances by domestic and foreign artists
Cow-based Global Summit	30 May – 2 June 2025	Jaipur	Cow-based entrepreneurship, organic farming and modern animal husbandry	Objective: To economically empower cow rearers and cow entrepreneurship
National Tourism Conference	14–15 October 2025 (Two days)	Marriott Hotel, Udaipur	Development of 50 Destinations and Providing Performance-Linked Incentives	Organized by the Union Ministry of Tourism; Maharana Pratap Tourist Circuit (Udaipur, Jaisalmer, Pushkar) to be developed as a Global Tourist Destination
National Swadeshi Festival	December 23–28, 2025	Chittorgarh	—	Providing a national platform to local artisans and small industries; the Ayurveda and Panchakarma fair as the main attraction
NAPCON-2025 (National Conference on Pulmonary Diseases)	—	Birla Auditorium, Jaipur	Era of Pulmonary Revolution – Back to Pink	Organizers: Indian Chest Society; Inauguration: Governor Haribhau Bagde; Objective: Awareness about clean air and healthy lungs
47th All India Accounting Conference	12th October 2025 (Two days)	Udaipur	—	Inauguration: Governor Haribhau Bagde; Organiser: Accounting Council of India (Udaipur Branch) and University of Rajasthan Vidyapeeth
National Convention of Urban Co-operative Banks	10–11 September 2025 (Two-days)	Birla Auditorium, Jaipur	—	Organiser: Sahakar Bharati and Department of Cooperation; 236 branches operating in Rajasthan

<b>Programme/ Event</b>	<b>Date/ Period</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Organizer</b>	<b>Theme/Theme Aim/ Key facts</b>
All India Speakers' Conference	24-25 August 2025	Delhi	Delhi Legislative Assembly	Rajasthan Assembly Speaker Vasudev Devnani
National Cooperative Spice Fair 2025	May 9-18, 2025	Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	Rajasthan Cooperative Department & CONFED	Platform for Business Expansion of Cooperatives
Great Indian Travel Bazaar (GITB) 2025	4-6 May 2025 (Three days)	JECC, Jaipur	State Tourism Department and FICCI	Boost to Tourism Sector
25th National Divya Kala Mela	21-30 March 2025	Udaipur	National Divyangjan Finance and Development Corporation	Second time in Rajasthan, first time in Udaipur
Aarogyam-2025	1-4 March 2025	Shilpgram, Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	Department of AYUSH	Theme: Aao Banayein Arogya Rajasthan; Ayurveda, Yoga & Naturopathy Mela
Threads of India	March 8-12, 2025	Shilpgram, Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur	Department of Industry and Commerce	Theme: My Handloom – My Pride; Handloom Awareness Program
Water Vision 2047 National Conference	18-19 February 2025	Udaipur	Union Ministry of Jal Shakti	Second All India State Water Ministers' Conference
North, Central and West Regions Conference on Official Language	17 February 2025	Jaipur	Central Department of Official Language	Promotion of Hindi as Official Language
First All India Conference of Transgenders	17-26 February 2025 (10 days)	Ajmer	Gaddipati Saloni Nayak	Discussion on Transgender Rights, Tradition and Spirituality
Rashtriya Chintan Shivir of Ministry of Women and Child Development	10-12 January 2025 (3 days)	Udaipur	Ministry of Women and Child Development, Government of India	Discussions on Women and Child Welfare Schemes, Innovations and Best Practices

Festivals/Events	Date/ Period	Place	Organizer	Key Facts/ Aim
<b>Bundi Festival 2025</b>	8-10 November 2025 (Three days)	Bundi	Tourism Department & District Administration	Inaugurated by Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla; Garh Ganesh Temple Puja, Shobha Yatra, Folk Art Demonstration
<b>Pushkar Mela 2025</b>	30 October – 5 November 2025	Ajmer (Pushkar)	Tourism Department & District Administration, Ajmer	Events on Kartik Purnima; Livestock trade, religious and cultural significance; Sacred bath in Pushkar Lake
<b>Salumbar Shraavan Kumbh Mahotsav</b>	45 Days (Shraavan Month)	Dhaulagarh Dham, Kenar Village, Salumbar	—	45-day Shraavan Kumbh
<b>Teej Utsav 2025</b>	July 27-28, 2025	Tripolia Gate & Pondrick Park, Jaipur	Tourism Department and District Administration	Procession of Teej Mata; Special participation of women
<b>Lokanuranjan Mela</b>	March 23-25, 2025	Jodhpur	Various Regional Cultural Centers	Around 700 artists from 10 states performed folk arts
<b>International Holi Festival</b>	March 13-14, 2025	Pushkar	Tourism Department and District Administration	On 13 March, cultural programmes before Holika Dahan; on 14 March, Holi of colours
<b>Braj Holi Festival 2025</b>	—	Deeg, Kaman, Bharatpur	Tourism Department & District Administration	Traditional Holi celebrations of Braj Region
<b>Gangaur Celebration</b>	31st March – 1st April 2025	Jaipur	Tourism Department & District Administration, Jaipur	Traditional Gangaur Puja and Shobha Yatra
<b>Mewar Mahotsav</b>	31st March – 2nd April 2025	Udaipur	Tourism Department & District Administration, Udaipur	Showcasing the Cultural Traditions of the Mewar Region
<b>International Camel Festival</b>	January 10-12, 2025	Bikaner (including Raiser)	Tourism Department & District Administration, Bikaner	Events like Kabaddi, Sand Art, Horse Racing, Tug of War etc.
<b>Jalore Mahotsav</b>	From 15 February 2025 onwards	Jalore	Tourism Department, District Administration and Jalore Development Committee	Promotion of folk dances, folk songs, cultural heritage and local products

<b>Maru Mahotsav 2025</b>	10-12 February 2025	Jaisalmer	Tourism Department & District Administration, Jaisalmer	Display of folk arts; Marushri: Dheeraj Purohit, Miss Mumal: Komal Siddha
<b>Beneshwar Fair 2025</b>	8-12 February 2025	Dungarpur	Tourism Department & District Administration, Dungarpur	"Kumbh of the Tribals"; Culture of the Bhil tribe; Dedicated to Beneshwar Mahadev
<b>Ghoomar Festival 2025</b>	19th November 2025	Ajmer, Bikaner, Bharatpur, Kota, Jaipur, Jodhpur, Udaipur	Department of Tourism, Government of Rajasthan	Main programme: Vidyadhar Nagar Stadium, Jaipur; based on the traditional Ghoomar dance set to the song "Ek Baar Ho Piya Jaipur Shehar Padharo"
<b>Green India Expo</b>	21-23 November 2025 (Jodhpur) & 16-18 January 2026 (Jaipur)	Gandhi Maidan, Jodhpur; JECC Sitapura, Jaipur	Green India Campaign	Objective: Promote renewable energy; Rajasthan identified as Solar Component Hub; Renewable Energy based MSMEs and Job Creation
<b>'The New Testament: A New Identity for Justice' Exhibition</b>	13-18 October 2025 (6 days)	JECC, Sitapura, Jaipur	Home Ministry	Inauguration: Union Home Minister Amit Shah; Based on new criminal laws; Live demo of judicial process in 10 zones
<b>Rajasthan Millet &amp; Mustard Conclave 2025</b>	17-18 September 2025	Jaipur	FICCI Rajasthan & Department of Agriculture (DOA)	Theme: Resilient Crops with Innovative Technologies; AI Centre of Excellence in Agriculture announced
<b>Rajasthan Domestic Travel Mart 2025</b>	13-14 September 2025	M. Birla Auditorium, Jaipur	FHTR & Rajasthan Tourism Department	Exhibition of Rajeevika SHGs products; 6 Special Stalls under Lakhpati Didi initiative
<b>Rajasthan Masala Conclave 2025</b>	September 8, 2025	Birla Auditorium, Jaipur	Department of Agricultural Marketing	Participation of spice producers, exporters, and scientists; information about the Raj-Spice app
<b>79th Independence Day (State Level Celebrations)</b>	15th August 2025	Barkatullah Khan Stadium, Jodhpur	State Government	Rajasthan's State Level Independence Day Celebrations
<b>Drone show on Operation Sindoor theme</b>	—	Mehrangarh Fort, Jodhpur	—	A display of the Indian Army's valour saga through approximately 550 drones.
<b>AI Innovation Summit 2025</b>	22 August 2025	Jaipur	ICAI, Jaipur Branch	Online launch of 'AI 2.0' course for ICAI members
<b>State Level Conference on Dam Safety and Rehabilitation</b>	17 February 2025	Udaipur	—	Subject: Dam Safety, Rehabilitation and Dam Safety Act, 2021; Dam development discussed by experts in four technical sessions

<b>'Ritu Vasant' Cultural Festival</b>	28 February – 2 March 2025	Shilpgram, Udaipur	West Zone Cultural Centre, Udaipur	Classical music and dance performances to welcome the spring season
<b>ESDM Skill Conclave 2025</b>	—	CSIR–CERI, Pilani (Jhunjhunu)	Vigyan Bharti – Rajasthan	ESDM: Electronics System Design & Manufacturing
<b>Krishi Mahotsav</b>	March 8–10, 2025	Hanumangarh	—	Theme: Samriddh Kisan, Viksit Bharat; Information about advanced agricultural technology and farmer welfare schemes
<b>31st National Convention on Farming Efficiency – Animal Welfare</b>	26–28 February 2025	Udaipur	—	Subject: Precision Livestock Management Techniques; Participation of 400 scientists and experts
<b>Indian Conference on MedTech Innovation 2025</b>	—	—	AIIMS & IIT Jodhpur	Dr. Deepak Kumar Meena (Aklera, Jhalawar) won the first position; New respiratory device
<b>Global Stone Technology Forum (GSTF) – 10th Edition</b>	January 9–10, 2025	Kishangarh	—	Land auctions in industrial areas abolished; Direct allocation by RIICO
<b>Rajasthan Foundation Day 2025</b>	Chaitra Shukla Pratipada (instead of March 30)	Rajasthan	State Government	Diverse programmes from 25th March–1st April; commemoration of the establishment of 'Greater Rajasthan' in 1949
<b>State-level Van Mahotsav</b>	27 July 2025	Jagadguru Ramanandacharya Rajasthan Sanskrit University Campus, Jaipur	State Government	Target of planting 50 crore saplings in 5 years under Hariyalo Rajasthan Mission; Construction of Amrita Devi Indigenous Plant Museum at Khejarli
<b>Divisional level Co-operative Fairs</b>	Year 2025	Jodhpur, Kota, Udaipur	Department of Co-operation	Divisional level co-operative fair for the first time; 'Mharo Bank, Mharo Khato" campaign; First Co-op Ride Bike On Rent Service from Udaipur
<b>Pravasi Rajasthani Conference 2025</b>	10th December 2025	Jaipur	Government of Rajasthan	Respect for migrant Rajasthanis; New department to solve problems; ADM Nodal Officer in each district
<b>State Level Environment Celebration (World Environment Day)</b>	June 5, 2025	Rajasthan International Centre, Jaipur	State Pollution Control Board and Environment Department	Theme: Distance from plastic, environmental protection is essential; Chief Guest: Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma
<b>Solar &amp; Storage Confex 2025</b>	June 20, 2025	Jaipur	—	Rajasthan's largest solar and storage conference;

				Focus on smart grids, energy storage and renewable energy.
<b>Formation Commanders' Conference</b>	—	Sapta Shakti Command, Jaipur	Chairperson: Lt. General Manjinder Singh	Review of the current security situation; Strategic & Technical Evaluation
<b>Capacity Conservation Festival "Saksham" 2025</b>	14 February 2025	Jaipur	Ministry of Petroleum & Natural Gas	Inauguration: Governor Haribhau Bagde; Emphasis on sustainable fuels like ethanol blending
<b>IIFA Awards 2025</b>	March 8-9, 2025	Jaipur	IIFA Organization	Event held for the first time in Rajasthan; Theme: Silver is the New Gold; Film Tourism Policy Launched
<b>75th National Diamond Jubilee Jamboree of Bharat Scouts and Guides</b>	28 January - 3 February 2025	Trichy, Tamil Nadu	Bharat Scouts & Guides	Rajasthan's spectacular achievements: First place at the national level in Watch Tower, First Aid, Colour Party and March Past

## Reports & Indexes

Subject	Rank of Rajasthan	Key facts
<b>Electoral Roll SIR-2026</b>	First state in the country	100% digitization; more than 97% voter mapping completed
<b>Number of tourists</b>	5th place in the country	230 million domestic and 2 lakh foreign tourists in 2024; Tourism sector contributes 12.78% to GDP
<b>India Tourism Compendium- 2025</b>	Included in the top-5 states	7.8% share in domestic tourism and 9.90% in foreign tourism; Abhaneri stepwell among top-5 monuments
<b>Status in India's exports</b>	Medium Level	Total exports at \$7.16 billion; Rs 97,171.68 crore in 2024-25, ~25% increase over 2022-23
<b>Rajasthan Export Growth</b>	Continuous Growth	April-October 2025: Rs 58,029.33 crore; About 10% annual growth
<b>State Level Swacchata Rankings</b>	Category-wise First City	10 lakh+: Jaipur Greater; 3-10 lakh: Bhilwara; 50 thousand-3 lakh: Bharatpur; 20-50 thousand: Nathdwara; <20 thousand: Badi Sadri
<b>AIIMS Jodhpur - Kayakalp Scheme</b>	Second position in the country	Group-B category; ₹1 crore incentive; award for cleanliness and infection control.
<b>Renewable Energy Potential</b>	Among the leading states at the national level	Total renewable capacity of 41,189 MW; Solar Capacity - 35,337 MW
<b>Share of Solar and Renewable Energy</b>	Solar: 27%, Renewable: 16%	Contribution of 27.2% to National Solar Capacity and 16.43% to Total Renewables
<b>PM-KUSUM Scheme (Jodhpur DISCOM)</b>	More than 2000 MW	Total Capacity 2017.33 MW; KUSUM-A: 336.25 MW, KUSUM-C: 1681.08 MW
<b>Bhartiya Beej Sahkari Samiti Limited (BBSSL) Membership</b>	First position in the country	6,120 co-operative societies members; Gujarat second and Maharashtra third

<b>Complaints in Banking Services</b>	Third position in the country	11.9 complaints per 1 lakh account holders; 34% higher than the national average of 8.9; RBI Ombudsman Complaints: 2021-22: 4.18 lakh → 2022-23: 7.03 lakh → 2023-24: 9.34 lakh; First: Chandigarh, Second: Delhi
<b>SIR-2026 Digital Farm Submission</b>	First position	1.25 crore+ forms uploaded online under Special Intensive Revision of Electoral Rolls 2026; Second: Tamil Nadu, Third: West Bengal
<b>Honey Production</b>	In the top 5 states	Contributing 9% to national production; production of 8,200 metric tons; Major districts: Alwar, Bharatpur, Hanumangarh; 40% grant (₹8 crore); Centres of Excellence at Bharatpur and Tonk under RKVY
<b>Business Reforms Action Plan 2024</b>	First in 4 major categories	Categories: Business Entry, Labor, Environmental Registration, Service Sector Reform; Report Issuer: DPIIT
<b>Financial Inclusion Campaign</b>	Second position in the country	Duration: July 1–October 31; 1.28 crore beneficiaries; Camps in 11,232 gram panchayats; First: Uttar Pradesh (1.30 crore)
<b>PM Surya Ghar Free Electricity Scheme</b>	5th position in the country	1,00,257 rooftop solar plants (408 MW); ~10,000 new plants monthly; DISCOM: Jaipur 33,922, Jodhpur 33,378, Ajmer 32,957; Subsidy: Centre ₹78,000 (3 kW), State ₹17,000
<b>Hindustan Zinc – Global Sustainability</b>	First position in the world	In the S&P Global CSA 2025, ranked first for the third consecutive year in the Metals & Mining sector; scored 90 points, placing among the top 100 out of 235 global companies
<b>Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2025</b>	Second position in the country	114.12% achievement against the target; first: Gujarat (115.74%), third: Chhattisgarh (108.30%); against a target of 8.1 million, 8.893 million achievements; fourth place last year.
<b>Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana</b>	First position at the national level (State)	Baran district ranked first in registrations (176.15%); Chittorgarh ranked second; assistance of ₹5,000 for the first pregnancy and ₹6,000 on the birth of a girl child for the second time
<b>National Institute of Ayurveda, Jaipur</b>	First position in the country	First for the second year in a row; Ranking: QCI and NCISM; Other Institutes: Chomu (88th), Udaipur (93rd)
<b>Kusum Scheme</b>	First in Component-A, 3rd in Component-C	2,000+ MW of solar generation commenced; Component-A: 357 plants (462.75 MW); Component-C: 955 plants (1,538.41 MW)
<b>State Mining Readiness Index (SMRI)</b>	Second position in the country	Issued by the Union Ministry of Mines; First: Madhya Pradesh
<b>NCRB Report 2023</b>	Negative top position	First in rape cases (5,078 cases); First in cybercrimes related to rape; UP and Bihar top in murder and kidnapping
<b>e-Prosecution</b>	First position in the country	SKOCH Award; 8 Lakh+ entries in 2024 and 6.5 Lakh+ entries by August 2025

<b>SUSMA (Surakshit Sadak Marg) Campaign</b>	Karauli District First	August 9–September 15; 4.18 lakh students from 1,097 institutions; 41,031 students trained in Karauli
<b>NIRF 2025 Rankings</b>	No University in the top-100	Overall Rank: BITS Pilani (16), IIT Jodhpur (66), MNIT Jaipur (77), Manipal University (98)
<b>Gender Parity Index (GPI)</b>	Among Vulnerable States	At the higher secondary level, the GPI is 0.96 compared to the national average of 1.07; only Uttarakhand and Lakshadweep are behind; up to Class 5, the GPI is 1.03
<b>'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' Maha Abhiyan</b>	Second position in the country	Launched by PM Narendra Modi on 5 June 2024; 8 crore saplings planted in Rajasthan; 1st: Uttar Pradesh (37.51 crore), 3rd: Gujarat (6.05 crore)
<b>ABHA ID Creation</b>	Second position in the country	ABHA IDs have been created for over 6.20 crore citizens; more than 1.68 crore ABHA-linked e-health records; a proposal to upgrade RUHS and establish RIMS
<b>Kisan Samman Nidhi (Women Beneficiaries)</b>	Second position in the country	Benefits to 24.18 lakh women farmers; ₹597.28 crore transfers; First: Uttar Pradesh (₹1199.72 crore); ₹6,000 assistance per year
<b>PM-KISAN Registration</b>	Third position in the country	Target: 9.169 million; registrations: 7.667 million (83.62%); ₹6,000 from the Centre plus ₹9,000 annually with state support; top districts: Didwana-Kuchaman, Nagaur, Ganganagar; lowest: Bikaner.
<b>Crypto Investments in Jaipur</b>	Sixth position in the country	71.7% of investors are under 35 years of age; priority given to logistics and mid-cap digital assets.
<b>Rajasthan High Court – Disposal of cases</b>	First position in the country	Highest Performance in Disposal of Cases
<b>'Give Up Campaign'</b>	Jaipur ranked first among the top districts	25 lakh+ people voluntarily got their names removed under NFSA; Jaipur: 2,06,596 beneficiaries
<b>World Tourism Ranking – Jaipur</b>	Fifth position in the world	Listed in Travel + Leisure's World's Best Awards 2025; scored 91.33 points; in the "Iconic Global Destination" category
<b>Noise Pollution – Jaipur</b>	Fourth position in the country	UN report; 1st: Moradabad (114 dB), 2nd: Kolkata, 3rd: Asansol, Fifth: Delhi
<b>Auction of Major Mineral Blocks</b>	First position in the country	20%+ blocks in the country in Rajasthan; 103 blocks out of 500 since 2016; 77 mining leases + 26 composite licenses; First Prize in January 2025
<b>NITI Aayog – Sampoornta Abhiyan</b>	First in Rajasthan (Karauli District)	Aspirational district Karauli achieved full saturation in six indicators and won the gold medal; bronze medals were awarded to Baran, Dholpur, Jaisalmer, and Sirohi; gold blocks: Jayal (Nagaur), Rani (Pali), and Kherwara (Udaipur)
<b>Care Age Report 2025</b>	12th position in the country	Score of 40.50% in social indicators (health, education, labour, poverty); first: Kerala (90.50%); assessment based on economic, financial, environmental, and administrative parameters
<b>Rainwater Harvesting</b>	Third position in the country	Ministry of Jal Shakti Rankings (1 April 2024–31 May 2025); Bhilwara second, Barmer fifth position

<b>Maternal &amp; Health Schemes</b>	Top Positions at the National Level	Excellent performance in Janani Suraksha Yojana and Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana
<b>Anti-Child labour Campaign</b>	Third position in the country	3,847 children rescued in 2024-25; 1st: Telangana (11,063), 2nd: Bihar (3,974); Report: C-LAB & JRC Network
<b>Implementation of SNA SPARSH</b>	First position in the country	Workshop on effective implementation of Single Nodal Agency-SPARSH on 16th May 2025 in Jaipur; Objective: Fast and transparent fund transfer
<b>Milk Consumption per capita</b>	First position in the country	According to NDDDB, 459 g/day; 68.5% of men and 69% of women consumed regularly; India is a 25%+ contributor to global milk production
<b>Rashtriya Poshan Pakhwada 2025</b>	First position in the country	Outstanding performance under POSHAN Abhiyaan; Top Districts: Churu, Sriganganagar, Hanumangarh, Tonk, Bikaner
<b>Malaria Eradication</b>	Category-1 at the national level	2213 cases in 2024 → only 59 cases in 2025 (as of April 25); Classification by the Ministry of Health
<b>Tourism Statistics (2024)</b>	Mixed Performance	Top cities for foreign tourists: Jaipur, Udaipur, Jodhpur; for domestic tourists: Sikar, Chittorgarh, Ajmer. In Jaipur, foreign tourist arrivals declined by 28.56%; targets set: +8% growth in domestic tourists and +7.5% growth in foreign tourists
<b>Family Welfare Programs</b>	First in Rajasthan (Hanumangarh)	Sterilization target achievement 121%; II: Jhalawar (118.7%), Third: Baran (112.2%)
<b>National Highway Network</b>	Third position in the country	Highway length: 10,733 km; 1st: Maharashtra (18,462 km), 2nd: Uttar Pradesh (12,123 km); Ranks second in the country in toll collection (₹27,438 crore); Shahjahanpur toll plaza among highest collection plazas in the country
<b>Farmer Registry (AgriStack)</b>	First position in the country	81.13% work completed in Aadhaar-Linked Farmer Registry; Target: 90,19,695 farmers; II: Madhya Pradesh; In Rajasthan, Deedwana-Kuchaman district stood first (104.25%), Nagaur second
<b>Gross District Domestic Product (GDDP)</b>	Jaipur District - First	GDDP (2023-24) at current prices: ₹2,12,335 crore (13.63% growth); at constant prices: ₹1,23,421 crore (10.77% growth)
<b>Per Capita Income Growth</b>	Alwar District - First	Income at current prices: ₹2,40,808 crore (13.96% growth); at constant prices: ₹1,47,849 crore (12.32% growth)
<b>Construction of Amrit Sarovar</b>	Fourth position in the country	3,138 Amrit Sarovar completed; a total of 68,842 in the country; 1st: Uttar Pradesh (16,630)
<b>PPR Vaccination</b>	First position in the country	Under PPR eradication programme, 78% of animals vaccinated; ranked first in the country in goat population and third in sheep population
<b>Fiscal Health Index (FHI) 2025</b>	'Performer' Category	Released by: NITI Aayog; the category includes Tamil Nadu, Bihar, and Haryana; top state: Odisha (67.8 points); five indicators—quality of expenditure, revenue, fiscal prudence, debt, and stability
<b>Emerging Cities (Colliers Report)</b>	Jaipur ranked second in the country	Report: India's Top 30 Emerging Cities; First: Nagpur; Evaluation Base: Infrastructure, Population, Economic Indicators

## 8. Agreements/MoUs

MoU	Related Aspects	Description
Rajeevika-Manjari Foundation MoU	Rajasthan Rural Livelihood Development Council (Rajeevika) – Manjari Foundation	11th December 2025; Selection of 10–12 Women-Led Enterprises; 5-Year Phased Training, Mentorship, Branding, Digital Marketing and Market Linkages
MoU on Mining Sector Cooperation	IIT ISM Dhanbad – RSMET, Rajasthan	9 December 2025; Scientific study of 80 mine dumps and tailings; AI-ML based Critical and Strategic Mineral Exploration
Rajeevika-Suvarna Path Edutech MoU	Rajeevika – Suvarna Path Edutech Ventures Pvt. Ltd. Ltd.	2 December 2025; High-quality skill training for SHG women; Focus on Product Design, Quality, Packaging and Innovation
GRAM–2026	Government of Rajasthan – FICCI	GRAM–2026 at JECC Jaipur in March 2026, 50,000+ farmers, 300 stalls, FICCI Summit Partners.
Hadoti Travel Mart for 2026	Tourism Department – Hotel Federation of Rajasthan	Organised in Kota on 2-4 January 2026, to connect the Hadoti region with tourism.
Rajasthan Police – RRU MoU	Rajasthan Police – National Defence University	MoU for Smart Policing and Cyber Security Cooperation on 24 November 2025.
Comic Con	Government of Rajasthan – Comic Con India	The first Jaipur Comic Con at JECC Jaipur on January 4–6, part of DigiFest.
Medical Education MoU	Department of Medical Education – University of Manchester	MoU for Medical Education and NCDs Cooperation on 11 November 2025.
Anti-drone technology MoU	IIT Jodhpur – BSF	Development of indigenous AI-based drone and anti-drone security technology.
UAV Research MOU	IIT Jodhpur – Idea Forge	Support for UAV, 5G, geo-mapping and deep-tech research.
Rajeevika – IICD MoU	Rajeevika – IICD	To link the handicraft skills of rural women with design and marketing.
Gender Integration MoU	Rajeevika – C3	Strengthening of Gender Resource Centres under DAY–NRLM.
Rajeevika – ARCH College MoU	Rajeevika – ARCH College of Design & Business	Design and skill development support for rural artists and SHG women under Unnati Incubation Hub on 8th October 2025.
Rajeevika – Ruma Devi Foundation MoU	Rajeevika – Ruma Devi Foundation	MoU for skilling, entrepreneurship and livelihood empowerment of rural and tribal women under Unnati Incubation Hub on 8th October 2025.
Rajasthan Mandapam Construction MoU	RIICO – NBCC	MoU for development of Rajasthan Mandapam and hotel, IT tower and commercial projects in Jaipur on September 10.

Government of Rajasthan – PNB MoU	Government of Rajasthan – Punjab National Bank	Agreement for infrastructure projects with financial assistance of Rs 21,000 crore over next 5 years signed on 6th September.
Veterinary University Jobner – BITS Pilani MoU	RAJUVAS Jobner – BITS Pilani	MoU for cooperation in innovation, technology development, skill and cluster development on 15 September 2025.
RTO – Maruti Suzuki MoU	Transport Department – Maruti Suzuki	Automated Computerized Trial for Driving License, initially implemented in 20 RTO/DTO.
Election Department– Education Department MoU	Department of Elections – Education Department	MoU for pre-voter registration of students of classes 9–12 and strengthening of school ELC on August 25, 2025.
Rajeevika – EESL MoU	Rajeevika – EESL	Agreement to enhance livelihood opportunities for rural SHG women with renewable energy and energy-efficient technologies.
Forest-based livelihood MoU	Rajeevika – RVJBVS	MoU for Sustainable Livelihood Empowerment of Forest-Based Communities under RFBBDP on 7th August.
Department of Social Justice – NIC MoU	Department of Social Justice & Empowerment – NIC	Agreement to develop a unified digital portal for departmental schemes on 15 July 2025.
Laghu Udyog Bharati – CSIR MoU	Laghu Udyog Bharati – CSIR	Product trials in CSIR to reduce import dependency and technical support for manufacturing in Rajasthan.
RAJFED – NCEL MoU	RAZFED – NCEL	Agreement on 14th July 2025 to link cooperatives to the international export market.
Seed Quality MoU	RAJFED – Seed Cooperative Society of India – NCOF	MoU for High Quality Seeds, Organic Product Marketing and Farmers Market Access on 9th July 2025.
Digital Health Education MoU	RUHS Jaipur – Koita Foundation	Agreement to launch the Digital Health Foundation Course (DHFC) on 24th July 2025.
Free medical facility MoU	Department of Social Justice – Department of Medical Education	Joint Committee and RMRS Funding Arrangement for Free Treatment of Helpless and Unknown Patients.
Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2030	State Pollution Control Board – CSE	MoU to prepare Climate Change Adaptation Plan 2030 in the state.
Emission Trading Scheme MoU	Environment Department – SPCB – J.P.A.L./EPIC	Tripartite MoU for implementation of Emission Trading Scheme on 5th June 2025.
CCS-NIAM – SKIT MoU	CCS-NIAM – SKIT Jaipur	On 6 May 2025, technical cooperation to connect agriculture with AI, IoT and data analytics.
MoU for Financial Literacy	Department of Finance (PFMTI) – CIEL Pvt. Ltd.	MoU to enhance financial discipline and investment education among government officers/employees on 26th April 2025.

RCDF – National Commission for Women MoU	RCDF – National Commission for Women	Agreement signed on 5 April 2025 with the National Commission for Women for empowerment of women milk producers and for conducting special training programmes.
State Sports Council – SAI MoU	Rajasthan State Sports Council – SAI	Establishment of State Centre of Excellence at SMS Stadium under Khelo India Scheme on 20th March 2025.
RVUNL – Singareni Collieries MoU	RVUNL – SCCL	MoU for 1600 MW thermal power plant and 1500 MW solar park in Rajasthan on 3 February 2025.
Rajasthan-South Australia Agreement	Government of Rajasthan – South Australia	Agreement for technical cooperation and innovation in the water sector through AWIC on 3rd March 2025.
Bikaner Engineering College – National Research Centre on Equines MoU	BEC – National Research Centre on Equines	Partnership for IoT based device development for diet control of horses and donkeys.
Nand Ghar Construction MoU	Government of Rajasthan – Vedanta (Anil Agarwal Foundation)	On January 20, 2025, an MoU was signed for malnutrition and early education reform by setting up 25,000 Nand Ghars.
Rooftop Solar MoU	DISCOMs – Tata Power Renewables	Agreement to install rooftop solar on 5 lakh houses under PM Surya Ghar Yojana on 31st January 2025.
Government of Rajasthan – Bank MoU	Government of Rajasthan – Bank of Baroda and Bank of Maharashtra	MoU for infrastructure development with an annual loan of ₹30,000 crore over the next few years on 6th January 2025.

## 9. Science and Technology

### IIT Jodhpur develops rocket return technology

- Scientists at IIT Jodhpur have developed a technology that can safely bring a rocket sent into space back to its launch pad.
- The project was led by Dr. Arun Kumar, Associate Professor, Department of Mechanical Engineering.
- This research has been done in the Shock Waves and High-Speed Flow Lab of the institute.

#### Technical characteristics

- Under this, a hypersonic scramjet engine has been developed, which does not require the installation of an oxygen tank, as this engine works by taking oxygen from the air.
- This will enable the rockets to fly lighter, more economical and at extreme speeds.
- This technology is similar to the system used by the world's leading company, SpaceX.
- **Note:** IIT Jodhpur has also developed a solar energy based combined water purification and cooling system.
  - This system will prove to be especially useful for areas where there is a shortage of water and electricity.

### Kota Workshop produces country's first modified BTPN rake

- West Central Railway's Kota Wagon Repair Factory has produced the country's first Modified BTPN rake.
- This new rake will improve safety standards and at the same time establish effective control over problems such as leakage and theft.
- Periodic overhauling of wagons is regularly carried out at the Kota factory, but this technical achievement is particularly important.
- BTPN rakes are a special type of wagon (tank wagon) used by Indian Railways to transport petroleum products such as diesel, petrol, and kerosene.

### New Barley variety developed in Rajasthan

- Scientists at the Rajasthan Agricultural Research Institute in Durgapura, Jaipur have developed a new variety of barley.
- This crop has already received approval from the National Crop Selection Committee. It will now be sent to the Ministry of Agriculture, and after the GI notification, its production will begin in the state.
- The name of the variety is R.D. 3064, on which tests were carried out for about 10 years.

### 'Jodhpur Jeera-1'

- Jodhpur Agricultural University has developed its indigenous cumin variety 'Jodhpur Jeera-1' for the first time in Rajasthan.
- The Government of India has given official approval to this variety and has issued a gazette notification.
- After this, its seed production and commercial sowing can be started.

### IIT Jodhpur develops generative AI

- IIT Jodhpur has achieved remarkable success on Generative Artificial Intelligence (Gen AI).
- The research was led by a team led by Dr. Debashish Das, Associate Professor in the Department of Computer Science and Engineering.
- This research is focused on three major areas: road safety and traffic management, the healthcare sector, and land records preservation.

### 2 products developed using Nano Zinc technology by Defence Laboratory, Jodhpur

- Two new products based on nano-zinc technology have been developed at Defence Laboratory Jodhpur.
- The technology was developed by Dr. Narendra Kumar Jain, former Director of the Defence Laboratory.
- They have been prepared with technical support from Marudhara Paints and Polymers, Jodhpur.
- These products have also received certification from the Woolen Research Association under the Ministry of Textiles.

### **Hybrid UAV 'Rudrastra' successfully test-fired in Jaisalmer**

- The Hybrid Vertical Takeoff and Landing UAV (VTOL UAV) 'Rudrastra' was successfully tested on 11 June 2025 at the Pokhran Field Firing Range in Jaisalmer district.
- The drone has been developed by Solar Defence and Aerospace Limited.
- Rudrastra is capable of taking off and landing without a runway.
- It has a range of over 170 kilometers and accurate target penetration capability.

### **Rajasthan gets new variety of cumin named 'Jodhpur Jeera-1'**

- Rajasthan has received the approval of the first indigenous variety of cumin 'Jodhpur Jeera-1'.
- The Central Variety Release Committee (CSC) has given official approval to this variety at a meeting held in Delhi.
- Earlier, the Gujarat variety GC-4 was released by the Central Government in the year 2004.
- This variety has been developed by the scientists of Jodhpur Agricultural University.
- This variety is high yielding and has high disease resistance.
- The new variety of Jodhpur Jeera-1 will produce 22.7% more than the old variety GC-4.
- This will increase immunity to diseases like Uktha and Kalia.

### **The country's first Patient Monitor System**

- The system has been developed by the Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute (SIRI), Pilani, located at Pilani in Jhunjhunu district.
- It is equipped with indigenous equipment and is economical compared to foreign systems.
- **Patient Monitor:** This machine is installed near the bed of patients admitted in hospitals and it assesses the condition of the patient.
- It will be helpful in prognosis in severe situations like cardiac arrest.

### **CSIR-CEERI scientists develop technology for semiconductor chip**

- Scientists from CSIR-Central Electronics Engineering Research Institute (CSIR-CEERI) Pilani (Jhunjhunu) have developed the technology to make semiconductor chips.
- This chip is capable of emitting red, blue, green, and white light.
- This indigenous semiconductor LED technology will reduce power consumption.

### **Bhimthadi is the 8th breed of horses, the Government of India notified the gazette**

- Research on horses of the Bhimthadi breed was done at the National Horse Research Center in Bikaner.
- Recently, the central government has recognized Bhimthadi as the eighth breed of horses in the country.
- It has been published in the Gazette of the Government of India.
- With the issuance of the Gazette notification, the rights of those who rear this breed will be ensured, and work can be carried out by forming a committee or an institution for it.

## 10. Apps & Portal

Initiative/ Portal/ App	Department/ Launch	Main Objectives	Main Characteristics
Legal Officer Portal	Law and Legal Affairs Department Launched: 23 December 2025	Secure and effective management of data of legal services personnel	An integrated, secure and transparent digital platform for transfer, correspondence and future services for legal services personnel.
Medal Winner Grant Portal	Rajasthan State Sports Council	Providing grant information to sportspersons on one platform	User-friendly online portal providing sportspersons with all information related to their grants.
e-Swasthya Samvad	Department of Medical Education, Rajasthan	Effective implementation of health schemes and increasing transparency	Digital interaction platform between officials, medical staff and general public for effective implementation of health schemes.
Rajdhara Portal	Rajasthan Department of Mines, DOIT	All information related to mining on one platform	Mining Auction Plots, Available Minerals, Public Interest Information, Integration with PM GatiShakti Portal
Maa Yojana App	Government of Rajasthan (Chief Minister's Ayushman Arogya Yojana)	Health Scheme Information and Facilities to Beneficiaries	Policy Status, Wallet Amount, Hospital Services with QR Scan, Complaint Filed
'SaraI' Software	RAJSICO, Launch: 20 May 2025	Digital Integration of Industrial Operations	Inventory, Sales, Billing, Air Cargo, PDA Payments, GST & Barcoding
Digi-One-Forest Stake App	Forest Department, Launch: 21 March 2025	Digitizing Forest Management	Country's first digital forest stake, real-time data, agroforestry policy, conservation projects
SBM Waste to Wealth PMS Portal	Swachh Bharat Mission, Launch: 4th March 2025	Waste Resource Management and Monitoring	Project Monitoring, Data Management, Resource Sharing Platform
Sampark Portal 2.0	Government of Rajasthan	Making Grievance Redressal Effective	Advanced technology, transparent tracking, every step of the way to the complainant
Online Investor Interface	Bureau of Investment Promotion (BIP)	Investor facilitation and MOU monitoring	MOU status tracking, departmental queries, feedback, appointments with secretaries.

## Polity & Governance

### Major Vidhan Sabha Committees in Rajasthan

- The following are the major committees of the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly: (as of January 2026)

	Committee	Head
1.	Public Accounts Committee	Mr. Tikaram Julie
2.	Estimates Committee 'A'	Shri Arjun Lal Jinagar
3.	Estimates Committee 'B'	Shri Babu Singh Rathore
4.	Committee on Political Activities	Mr. Kalicharan Saraf
5.	Committee on General Purposes	Shri Vasudev Devnani
6.	Rules Committee	Shri Vasudev Devnani
7.	Question & Reference Committee	Mr. Sandeep Sharma
8.	Committee on Welfare of Women and Children	Shri Kalpana Devi
9.	Committee on Welfare of Backward Classes	Shri Narendra Budania
10.	Scheduled Castes Welfare Committee	Dr. Vishwanath Meghwal
11.	Scheduled Tribes Welfare Committee	Shri Phool Singh Meena
12.	Committee on Home and Local Bodies and Panchayati Raj Institutions	Shri Jitendra Kumar Gothwal
13.	Committee on Library and Government Assurances	Shri Harisingh Rawat
14.	Petition & Ethics Committee	Shri Kailash Chand Verma
15.	Committee on Privileges and Subordinate Legislation	Shri Kesaram Choudhury
16.	Committee on Welfare and Environment of Minorities	Dr. Dayaram Parmar
17.	Business Advisory Committee (ex-officio Chairman)	Shri Vasudev Devnani
18.	Select Committee constituted on Rajasthan Coaching Centres (Control and Regulation) Bill, 2025 (15 members)	Dr. Prem Chand Bairwa MD
19.	Select Committee constituted on Rajasthan Land Revenue (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2025 (15 members)	Mr. Hemant Meena

- Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma has been made a member of the Committee on General Purposes.

### New Ward Determination Formula in Panchayati Raj in Rajasthan

- The Panchayati Raj Department of Rajasthan has sent guidelines to the collectors of all 41 districts by setting a new criteria for ward delimitation for the upcoming panchayat elections in the state.
- Now the **Gram Panchayat will have 7 wards for a population of 3000 and 2 wards will be increased for every additional population of 1000. Example:** In a panchayat with a population of 4000, the number of wards will be 9.
- Panchayat Samitis will have **15 wards for a population of 1 lakh** and 2 new wards

will be added for every additional 15,000 population.

- Apart from this, **the Zilla Parishads will have 17 wards for a population of 4 lakh** and after this, 2 more wards will be added for every 1 lakh increase.
- After the formation of new Panchayats in Rajasthan, the number of Gram Panchayats has increased to 14635.

#### Re-fixation of election expenditure limits in Panchayati Raj and Urban Body Elections

- The State Election Commission, Rajasthan on December 23 increased the ceiling on election expenditure to make the election process more transparent and practical.

#### Revised expenditure limit in urban body elections

Post/ election	2019 (₹)	2025 (₹)
Municipal elections	2.50 Lakh	3.50 Lakh
City Council Elections	1.50 Lakh	2 Lakh
Municipal elections	1 Lakh	1.50 Lakh

#### Revised Expenditure Limit in Panchayati Raj Institutions

Post/ election	2019 (₹)	2025 (₹)
Zilla Parishad Member	1.50 Lakh	3 Lakh
Panchayat Samiti Member	75 K	1.50 Lakh
Sarpanch post	50 K	1 Lakh

- The decision is aimed at providing a pragmatic expenditure limit to candidates in line with the rising campaign costs.
- Apart from this, the use of large vehicles and vehicles running on animals has been banned in election campaigning.
- It will be mandatory to give the details of election expenses to the District Election Officer within 15 days.
- Zilla Parishad members will be able to use a maximum of three, Panchayat Samiti members two and Sarpanch one vehicle in the campaign.

- Candidates will not be able to campaign by installing loudspeakers at their election office.

#### Revision of old criteria for declaring new villages

- The Rajasthan government has revised the old criteria for declaring new villages.
- Under this, village Dhanis or Mazars with a population of 200 in general areas will now be made revenue villages.
- Apart from this, the limit of population has been fixed at 150 in Desert and Scheduled Tribe Sub-Plan Areas.
- It has also to be kept in mind that after the declaration of new revenue villages, the remaining population of the original revenue village should not be less than 200 in the general areas.

#### New Standards for Restructuring of Municipal Corporations in Rajasthan

- In Rajasthan, the process of restructuring of wards of urban bodies has been initiated.
- There will be survey and ward delimitation work for the restructuring.
- The restructuring aims to enhance the efficiency of the city administration and bring about administrative reforms.

#### New Standards for Ward Reorganization:

population	ward
15,000	20 Wards
25,000	25 Wards
80,000	45 Wards
1 Lakh	55 Wards
2 Lakh	60 Wards
3.5 Lakh	65 Wards
5 Lakh	70 Wards
10 Lakh	80 Wards
13 Lakh	100 Wards
15 Lakh	110 Wards
25 Lakh	130 wards
35 Lakh	150 Wards

### "The Rajasthan Prohibition of Religious Conversion Bill 2025"

- The new prohibition of conversion bill 'Rajasthan Law Prohibition of Religious Conversion Bill 2025' has been introduced by the Bhajan Lal government in the Rajasthan Assembly.
- In 2008, the BJP's Vasundhara Raje government had also introduced a similar bill.
- **Note:** This law is already in place in Jharkhand, Karnataka and Gujarat.
- The conversion law was first introduced in Odisha in 1967.
- Conversion laws have also been introduced in the BJP-ruled states of Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh and Uttarakhand.
- Similarly, if a person marries with the intention of converting to Islam, then the family court can annul such a marriage.

#### Provision:

- The bill provides for stringent punishments against love jihad and religious conversion.
- Forced conversions are punishable with a jail term of 3 to 10 years and a fine of Rs 50,000.
- A person who voluntarily converts will have to inform the District Collector 60 days in advance.
- The family court can annul the marriage of a person who has committed love jihad.
- This offence will be considered non-bailable.
- If a person commits this offence more than once, he will be punished with double the punishment.

#### Vice-Chancellors will be called VCs

- The draft of the Rajasthan Universities Laws (Amendment) Bill-2024 has been approved by the Cabinet.
- Under this amendment, the post of Kulpati will now be redesignated as Kulguru, and the post of Pro Vice-Chancellor will be redesignated as Pro Kulguru.
- The designations of Vice-Chancellor and Pro Vice-Chancellor will be retained in the English version.

#### Bharat Adivasi Party (BAP) gets state-level party status

- The Election Commission of India has granted state party status to the Tribal Party of India (BAP).

- The BAP has one MP and 4 MLAs in Rajasthan.
- Rajkumar Roth is a Banswara-Dungarpur Lok Sabha MP from this party.
- The MLAs elected from this party are Anil Katara (Chaurasi), Umesh Damor (Aspur), Thawarchand Damor (Dhariawad) and Jaikrishna Patel (Bagidaura).

#### Rajasthan Model State for 3 New Laws

- The Centre has chosen Rajasthan as a model state to comply with 3 new laws (Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita, Bharatiya Nagrik Suraksha Sanhita, and Indian Evidence Act).
- Under this, the changes in 3 new laws will be implemented first in Rajasthan.
- **Note:** With the implementation of three new laws in the country, there is also a provision to make the proceedings of the police station, jail and court online.

#### Cabinet Sub-Committee constituted for Restructuring and Re-delimitation of Panchayati Raj Institutions

- The Rajasthan government has constituted a Cabinet Sub-Committee under the convenorship of Education Minister Madan Dilawar to examine and review the proposals for restructuring and re-delimitation of Panchayati Raj Institutions.
- Cabinet ministers Gajendra Singh, Avinash Gehlot, Sumit Godara and Jawahar Singh Bedham have been included as members of this sub-committee.

#### Restructuring of Police Ranges in Rajasthan

- After cancelling 9 districts in Rajasthan, the Home Department **abolished 3 police ranges Sikar, Pali and Banswara.**
- After this, Rajasthan will now have 7 ranges and 2 commissionerates as before.
- At present, Jaipur **and Jodhpur in** Rajasthan have Police Commissionerates and Jaipur-Jodhpur has the highest number of police ranges of 8-8.
- **Note:** The Police Commissionerates created for the cities of Jaipur and Jodhpur have been kept separate from the police ranges.

Range	Areas
Ajmer Range	Ajmer, Bhilwara, Beawar, Tonk, Nagaur and Didwana-Kuchaman
Bikaner Range	Bikaner, Sriganganagar, Hanumangarh, Churu
Bharatpur Range	Bharatpur, Dholpur, Karauli, Deeg, Sawai Madhopur
Jaipur Range	Jaipur Rural, Kotputli - Behror, Dausa, Alwar, Khairthal - Tijara, Bhiwadi, Jhunjhunu, Sikar
Jodhpur Range	Jodhpur Rural, Phalodi, Jaisalmer, Barmer, Balotra, Pali, Sirohi, Jalore
Kota Range	Kota City, Kota Rural, Bundi, Baran, Jhalawar
Udaipur Range	Udaipur, Chittorgarh, Pratapgarh, Rajsamand, Dungarpur, Banswara and Salumbar

## Rajasthan Government Schemes

### Green Credit Voucher Initiative-2025

- The scheme was approved on 30th December 2025 in Rajasthan to provide additional incentives to local bodies and investors for green and sustainable development projects.
- It aims to promote a green and circular economy by linking environmental goals with economic incentives.
- Under this, tradable and redeemable green credit vouchers will be issued, which will encourage investment in environment-friendly projects.
- It will promote work in renewable energy, energy efficiency, waste management, water conservation, air pollution control, sustainable building and infrastructure, sustainable agriculture and other environment-friendly sectors.
- Green credit vouchers will be issued to eligible investors in addition to the green incentives under RIPS-2024.
- Vouchers worth a maximum of Rs 2.50 crore, up to 5% on green investment up to Rs 1 crore and up to 10% on investment above Rs 10 crore, will be provided.

### Introduction of Outbound Portability in MAA Plan

- Under the Chief Minister's Ayushman Arogya (MAA) scheme, the people of the state have now been provided cashless treatment facilities outside the state.
- Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma inaugurated the outbound portability facility during the state-level women's conference held in Dholpur on 19 December 2025.
- Rajasthan has become **the first state in the country to implement outbound portability** through the National Health Claims Exchange .
- Under this arrangement, residents of Rajasthan will be able to get treatment in all other states of the country except Tamil Nadu and Karnataka.
- The eligible beneficiaries of the MAA scheme will be connected to out-listed hospitals through the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) application.
- At present, around 1800 hospitals in Rajasthan are affiliated to the MAA scheme.
- After this integration, the people of the state will also get the benefit of about 31,000 hospitals of other states associated with the Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana.
- For this, the Rajasthan State Health Assurance Agency (RSHA) has completed the integration with the National Health Claims Exchange (NHCC).
- The GOLDEN API has been developed to ensure the eligibility of beneficiaries in outbound portability.

### City Accelerator Program for Roof Top Solar

- The Union Ministry of New and Renewable Energy launched the City Accelerator Programme under the PM Suryaghar Yojana on 5th December 2025.

- Under this program, 100 cities of the country have been selected.
- Jaipur, **Jodhpur, Ajmer and Udaipur from Rajasthan** have been included in this scheme.
- Under the programme, public awareness activities will be conducted in these cities.
- Training will be imparted to vendors to promote roof top solar installation.
- Special emphasis will be laid on motivating people to adopt solar energy.

**Progress of PM Suryaghar Yojana**

- More than 1.09 lakh roof top solar plants have been installed under PM Surya Ghar Yojana in Rajasthan .
- Jaipur has the highest number of 15,932 plants.
- As many as 6,436 plants have been set up in Jodhpur, 5,794 in Udaipur and 2,759 in Ajmer .

**25 Schemes including Jal Jeevan Mission included in Flagship Schemes in Rajasthan**

- The state government declared 25 schemes, including the Jal Jeevan Mission, as flagship programmes on April 11, 2025.
- The Chief Minister's Office will directly monitor these schemes of the Central and State Government. The department concerned will have to send information about the work and expenditure done in them to the CMO by the 7th of every month .
- The Planning Department issued an order to declare 25 schemes as flagship programmes.

No.	Name of the Scheme	Key Components of the Scheme	Department
1.	Benefiting New Families from NFSA	Addition of left out and eligible families as beneficiaries	Department of Food and Civil Supplies
2.	KUSUM Scheme – Components A, B & C	<b>Component A</b> – Installation of solar power plants up to 2 MW capacity connected to the grid. <b>Component B</b> – Installation of independent solar agricultural pumps up to 7.5 HP capacity. <b>Component C</b> – Solar operation of existing agricultural pumps up to 7.5 HP connected to the grid.	Department of Energy
3.	Revamped Distribution Sector Scheme (RDSS)	Various works undertaken to strengthen power supply infrastructure	Department of Energy
4.	Lado Incentive Scheme	Savings Bond of one lakh rupees on birth of girl child from poor families	Department of Women Empowerment
5.	Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchai Yojana	For irrigation systems, farmers are provided subsidies for various components such as fencing, diggi tanks, farm ponds, water harvesting structures, greenhouses, polyhouses, shade nets, plastic mulching, and the installation of low-pressure and drip/sprinkler irrigation systems. In addition, landless agricultural labourers are provided agricultural implements costing up to ₹5,000.	Department of Agriculture and Horticulture
6.	Pradhan Mantri Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission	Expansion and Improvement of Health Facilities	Medical & Health Department

7.	Karmabhoomi to Mathrubhumi Abhiyan	Construction of Water Recharge Structures	Groundwater Department
8.	Swachh Bharat Mission (Rural)	Villages to maintain Open Defecation Free status	Panchayati Raj Department
9.	Swamitva yojana	Distribution of leases to families by conducting surveys	Panchayati Raj Department
10.	Mukhya Mantri Jal Swavlamban Abhiyan 2.0	1.10 lakh works of water harvesting structures will be carried out in more than 4,700 villages.	Panchayati Raj Department
11.	Atal Knowledge Centre	Provision of vocational training and e-library to youth by motivators in Panchayat Samitis with a population of more than 3,000.	Panchayati Raj Department
12.	Chief Minister's Educate Rajasthan Campaign	Implementation of various activities to speed up the implementation of the New Education Policy and to provide better quality education in schools.	Department of School Education
13.	Pradhan Mantri Gram Sadak Yojana	Construction of roads/bridges to provide all weather access to habitations up to 500 in general areas (Census 2001) and 250 in tribal and desert areas.	Department of Public Works
14.	Atal Pragati Path	Cement concrete road construction in rural towns with a population of more than 5,000.	Department of Public Works
15.	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana - Urban	Economically Weaker Income Group and Low Income Group Families to be given subsidized housing	Local Self Government Department
16.	Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban)	Waste and Sewage Management in Urban Areas	Local Self Government Department
17.	Chief Minister's Suicide Scheme	For the upliftment of street vendors as well as other needy and helpless families in urban areas and towns	Local Self Government Department
18.	PM Vishwakarma Yojana	Certificate and ID Card and Toolkit Assistance of Rs. 15,000 to selected artisans of 18 trades, loan up to Rs. 2 lakh for 30 months, 8% interest subvention	Department of Industry
19.	Mission Hariyalo Rajasthan	One tree in the name of mother, 50 crore saplings in 5 years	Forest Department
20.	Jal Jeevan Mission	Repair of drinking water connections/dug roads in rural areas	Department of Public Health Engineering
21.	AMRUT Scheme	Urban drinking water supply	Department of Public Health Engineering
22.	PanchGaurav Scheme	Implementation of the works to be done in the five components	Planning Department

23.	Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana – Rural	Financial assistance to provide pucca houses to homeless families and families living in kutcha and dilapidated houses	Department of Rural Development
24.	Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Garibi Mukta Gaon Yojana	Implementation of various works/activities to bring all BPL families of identified villages above poverty line	Department of Rural Development
25.	NaMo Drone Didi, Solar Didi, Lakhpati Didi, Bank Sakhi, Krishi Sakhi and Pashu Sakhi	Implementation of various activities to increase the number of these women and support them	Department of Rural Development

### Ayushman Bal Sambal Yojana: Age Relaxation

- Under the Mukhyamantri Ayushman Bal Sambal Yojana, patients above 18 years **of age suffering from muscular dystrophy and rare diseases** will also be able to take advantage.
- Earlier this scheme was limited to children below the age of 18 years.
- After the decision of the Rajasthan High Court, now the benefit will be given to citizen patients of all age groups in the scheme.
- Recently, during the hearing on November 28, the bench of Justice Pushpendra Singh Bhati directed that **the condition-1 of Clause 5 of the Chief Minister's Ayushman Bal Sambal Yojana 2024 should be considered applicable to all patients of all ages till further orders.**

#### Mukhyamantri Ayushman Bal Sambal Yojana

- This scheme has been started for children suffering from rare diseases.
- Under this, free treatment up to ₹ 50 lakh is provided for treatment.
- Apart from this, an assistance amount of ₹5,000 per month is also payable.
- The objective of the scheme is to provide appropriate arrangements, treatment, care and support to children below the age of 18 years under the National Policy-2021.

#### Eligibility—

- Children must be under 18 years of age .
- Must be a native of Rajasthan or have resided for at least 3 years.

### 8 districts of Rajasthan included in PM Dhan-Dhanya Agriculture Scheme

- The 'PM Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana' and 'Mission for Aatmanirbharta in pulses' was launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi on 11th October 2025 in New Delhi.
- In Rajasthan, the state level program held at the Agricultural Research Institute, Durgapura, Jaipur.
- Under the 'PM Dhan-Dhan Krishi Yojana', farmers will be linked to modern farming techniques, crop diversification and market facilities.
- The scheme covers 100 districts of the country, including 8 districts of Rajasthan:
  - **Barmer, Jaisalmer, Pali, Nagaur, Jodhpur, Bikaner, Churu and Jalore.**

### "PM Suryaghar 150 units free electricity scheme"

- In Rajasthan, 150 units of free electricity per month will be implemented under the PM Suryaghar Yojana.
- This will benefit 1 crore 4 lakh domestic consumers.
- Under the Chief Minister's Free Power Scheme, 27 lakh registered families, whose consumption is more than 150 units, will install free solar panels of 1.1 KW capacity on their homes.
- In this, 150 units per month will be given free of cost in place of 100 units of free electricity available earlier.

#### Financial Assistance:

- Central Government: ₹33,000 per plant

- State Government: ₹17,000 per plant
- This will create an additional solar capacity of about 3,000 MW.

#### **Consumers consuming less than 150 units**

- **Category I:** Free solar plants will be installed for 11 lakh families who have access to a roof.
- **Category II: For those** who do not have a roof, DISCOMs will set up community solar plants.

#### **Incentive (DBT)**

- To promote this social contribution, an amount of ₹1100 will be transferred by DISCOMs through DBT to the accounts of the first 5 lakh consumers in each of both categories.

#### **Pilot Project of Ayushman Adarsh Gram Yojana**

- Ayushman Adarsh Gram Yojana **will be launched as a pilot project through 210 Ayushman Arogya Mandir in 5 Panchayats in each district** of Rajasthan.
- The objective of this scheme is to improve health services using traditional medicine practices (Ayurveda).
- This project is the first such project in Rajasthan in which medicines and dietary suggestions will be made available for the prevention of diseases based on the nature of the patient (Vata-Pitta-Kapha).
- The Department of Panchayati Raj, Department of AYUSH, Department of Medical Health and Family Welfare, Department of Women and Child Development, Department of Education, Department of Information and Public Relations, and Forest Department will collaborate to make it a success under inter-departmental coordination.
- 18 indicators have been fixed for Gram Panchayats, which will be provided by the state government to the panchayats that complete them .

#### **Vishwakarma Yuva Udyami Protsahan Yojana**

- The Rajasthan government has approved this scheme with the aim of promoting the spirit of self-employment among the youth and opening new avenues of employment generation by promoting entrepreneurship.
- Under the scheme, loans will be made available to youth in the age group of 18 to 45 years at low interest rates through financial institutions.
- This will enable the beneficiaries to set up new enterprises or expand, diversify or modernize the existing enterprise.
- Under this, **interest subvention of up to 8% will be given on loans up to a maximum of Rs 2 crore** .
- Women, SC, ST, Divyang category entrepreneurs, enterprises established in rural areas and card holder weavers and craftsmen will be given an additional interest subvention of 1% on loans above Rs. 1 crore and up to Rs. 2 crore .
- Margin money subsidy of 25% or up to a maximum of Rs. 5 lakh will also be given on the loan provided by the financial institution .

#### **Vishwakarma Yuva Udyami Protsahan Yojana**

- It was approved to make the youth self-reliant and to provide new employment opportunities.
- In this, youth in the age group of 18 to 45 years will get loans and margin money assistance at low interest rates through financial institutions.
- Interest subvention of up to 8% will be available on loans up to a maximum of Rs. 2 crore .
- Women, SC/ST, Divyang, Rural Enterprises, Weavers and Craftsmen will be given 1% additional interest subvention (on loans above 1 crore and up to 2 crore).
- There is a provision for margin money grant of 25% or up to a maximum of Rs. 5 lakh on loans given by institutions .

#### **New guidelines released for Swami Vivekananda Scholarship 2025-26**

- The Higher Education Department of Rajasthan has issued new guidelines.
- It has 150 seats for foreign institutions and 350 seats in the country. (Last year there were 300 and 200 seats, respectively).

**Key Terms:**

- The scholarship recipients will have to give priority to employment in Rajasthan on completion of the course.
- Comparative studies and project reports on the plans of the State will have to be prepared during the study period.
- Technical support will be taken from engineering students.
- Candidates will send their research, project and academic report to the state government by email.
- On receipt of the invitation, you will have to participate in the online interaction and cooperate in the promotion of the scheme.
- There will also be a responsibility to guide needy students in study abroad.

**Amendment to Krishak Uphaar Yojana approved**

- The Rajasthan government has approved a proposal to amend the 'Krishak Uphaar Yojana'.
- **Objective:** To promote sale of agricultural commodities to farmers in a transparent and digital manner
- **Eligibility:** Farmers who will sell their commodities through the e-NAM portal and receive the payment through the e-payment (electronic payment) system.
- **Beneficiary Farmers:** Only farmers making sales through e-NAM portal and receiving payment through e-payment will be eligible for gift coupons.
- Gift coupons will be issued by e-NAM software for every amount of Rs. 10,000 sold and multiples thereof.
- **Prize distribution:** Draws will be held at the market level every 6 months, in which:
  1. 1st Prize (Rs. 50,000)
  2. 2nd Prize (Rs 30,000)
  3. 3rd Prize (Rs. 20,000)

**Doodhyukt Balahar Premix**

- Chief Minister Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma has started the Balahar Premix Packet containing milk by increasing the quantity of skimmed milk from 15 grams to 25 grams for children suffering from malnutrition on August 5, 2025.
- In Rajasthan, about 40 lakh women and children are receiving micronutrient-rich supplements through Anganwadi Centres.
- **Note:** The Mukhyamantri Amrit Aahar Yojana has been implemented to provide hot sweet milk 5 days a week to children in the age group of 3 to 6 years.
- **Note:** The Rajasthan government has increased the honorarium of Anganwadi workers, helpers, and companions by 10% each in the years 2024 and 2025.

**Hariyalo Rajasthan Vriksharopan Maha Abhiyan: Target of planting 10 crore saplings in Rajasthan achieved**

- Rajasthan surpassed the annual target of 10 crore saplings under the 'Hariyalo Rajasthan Vriksharopan Mahaabhiyan'.
- So far, 10.21 crore saplings have been planted in Rajasthan for the year 2025.
- Under 'Mission Hariyalo Rajasthan', a target has been set to plant 50 crore saplings in the coming 5 years.

**Vriksha Mitra Yojana**

- The Rajasthan government has launched Vriksha Mitra Yojana to give further impetus to plantation.
- The person who plants 200 saplings will be given the status of tree friend.
- 2000 Vriksha Mitras are being prepared in Rajasthan and they will also be provided honorarium.

### Pilot project to be launched in Rajasthan to provide medicines at home to elderly

- In Rajasthan, a pilot project will be started to provide free medicines at home to elderly people above 70 years of age .
- After this, it will be implemented across the state in a phased manner.
- **Note:** This was announced in the Rajasthan Budget 2025-26.

### Millet Nutri Bar Distribution Scheme

- The pilot project was launched on July 15 at Vidyadhar Nagar, Jaipur by the Deputy Chief Minister of Rajasthan and Minister of Women and Child Development, Smt. Diya Kumari.
- Jaipur I, Sanganer Rural and Falashia area of Udaipur have been selected for the pilot project.
- **Objective:** To provide nutrition to children aged 3 to 6 years.
- This will benefit about **10,000 children at 544** Anganwadi centres in Jaipur and Udaipur districts .
- In this, each child will be provided with Nutri Bars weighing 20 grams per day, 5 days a week, for a total of 6 months.
- Nutri Bars include bio-fortified millet, wheat, peanuts, jaggery and honey. They are rich in calories, protein, calcium, iron, and zinc.
- This initiative will improve the nutritional status of children and will also increase their stay in Anganwadi centers.
- This innovation is inspired by the Prime Minister's "Shri Anna Yojana" and has the support of organizations like GIZ, PATH and Harvest Plus.
- If the pilot project is successful, it is planned to be implemented across the state with CSR support.

### Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Garibi Mukta Gaon Yojana

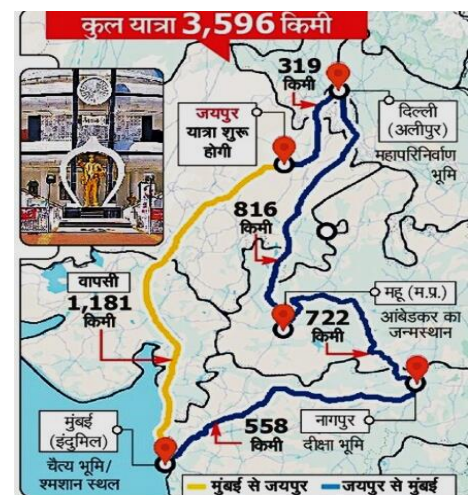
- The Rajasthan government has launched this scheme for poverty alleviation.
- In the first phase, 5002 villages have been selected, where 30,631 BPL families have been identified.
- A provision of ₹300 crore has been made for financial assistance to these families.
- In this, an incentive of ₹ 21,000 will be given to the families who come above the poverty line due to their efforts.
- In this, 'Atmanirbhar Parivar Card' will also be given to the selected families.
- Under this, a 'Poverty Free Village Action Plan' is being prepared for each village.
- In this scheme, the overall development of villages will be ensured by coordinating government schemes.
- Under this, BPL families will be given assistance of up to ₹ 1 lakh for self-employment.
- Women Self-Help Groups will be provided working capital of up to ₹15,000 per family.
- Special awards will be given to the best performing districts in this scheme.

### Free Visit to Sites associated with Dr. Ambedkar

- The Rajasthan government will provide free rail travel to the major places associated with the life of Babasaheb Dr. Bhimrao Ambedkar for the Scheduled Castes on the lines of the Senior Citizen Teerth Yojana.
- **Objective:** To make the Dalit community aware of the biography, struggle and ideology of Dr. Ambedkar.
- This benefit will be available only to the natives of the Scheduled Caste category of Rajasthan.
- The proposed journey will be 3,596 km long.

### 5 Major Destinations Included in the Trip

1. Mhow (Madhya Pradesh) – The birthplace of Dr. Ambedkar.
2. Nagpur (Maharashtra) – Deeksha Bhoomi, where he embraced Buddhism.



3. Delhi and Alipore – Mahaparinirvana Sthal, where he passed away.
4. Mumbai (Chaitya Bhoomi) – Samadhi Sthal, where he was cremated.
5. Indu Mill, Mumbai – The proposed Dr. Ambedkar National Memorial will be developed.

#### **Five-Year Plan for PNG-CNG Pipeline**

- The Rajasthan government will formulate a 5-year action plan for domestic piped natural gas (DPNG) and compressed natural gas (CNG) with an aim to promote green energy.
- The target is to provide DPNG connections to 1.25 lakh households and install 89 new CNG stations in 2025.
- For this, the City Gas Distribution (CGD) policy has been issued in Rajasthan.
- The policy provides for setting up of District Level Committees for permitting of CGD companies, resolving district level problems, and coordination.

#### **Aravalli Green Wall Project to cover 19 districts of Rajasthan**

- The central government has started the Aravalli Green Wall project.
- This green wall will extend from Porbandar in Gujarat to Panipat in Haryana.
- It will have a total length of 1400 km and a width of 5 km.
- The project covers a total of 29 districts of Rajasthan, Gujarat, Haryana and Delhi .
- Of these, 19 districts of Rajasthan will be included.
- **Note:** The highest land erosion in Aravalli has been recorded in Udaipur district.

#### **Green Aravalli Scheme**

- The "Green Aravalli Scheme" was announced in the Budget 2025-26 to accelerate the Aravalli Green Wall project in Rajasthan.
- Under this scheme, targets have been set up to the year 2028-29.
- **Targeted afforestation area in Rajasthan by 2028-29:** 1,48,859 hectares
  - Udaipur - 18,495 Hectare (most)
  - Dausa - 2,450 Hectare (minimum)
- The state government has made a provision of Rs 250 crore in the budget for this project.

#### **Provisions**

- Under this, drone technology will be used for rapid expansion of forests in difficult areas.
- Seeds will be sprayed through drones and the concerned personnel will also be trained for drone operations.
- CCTV cameras will be installed to monitor illegal activities in highly sensitive areas.
- A fire line will be constructed to protect the forests from fire.
- Concrete walls, barbed wire, chain link fencing, bush fencing and solar-powered fencing will also be installed for security.

#### **Launch of Senior Citizens Pilgrimage Scheme 2025-26**

- Chief Minister Shri Bhajan Lal Sharma inaugurated the Senior Citizens Pilgrimage Scheme 2025-26 by cutting the ribbon on June 6, 2025.
- Under this scheme, the first air-conditioned 'Rajasthan Vahini Bharat Gaurav Tourist Train' was flagged off from Durgapura Railway Station (Jaipur).
- Senior citizens will travel to pilgrimage sites of Rameswaram and Madurai by AC train.
- Under the Senior Citizens Pilgrimage Scheme, 50,000 senior citizens will be taken to 13 different pilgrimage sites by AC trains for the first time this year.
- Apart from this, about 6,000 devotees will be taken to Lord Pashupatinath in Nepal by air.

#### **Rajasthan Circular Economy Incentive Scheme 2025**

- The Rajasthan Circular Economy Incentive Scheme 2025 will be introduced for the wide publicity of the circular economy in Rajasthan.

- Under this, a grant of Rs 2 crore will be given for research and development in the field of recycling, reuse.
- An additional rebate of 0.5 per cent will be provided in the loan subsidy being given under various schemes to MSMEs, startups working in the field of circular economy.

### Utensil Bank Scheme

- The state government has launched the 'Bartan Bank Scheme' to reduce plastic usage in rural areas, provide accessible alternatives to traditional events and promote social cohesion.
- In the first phase of the scheme, 1,000 Gram Panchayats **will be provided with sets of steel pots worth Rs 1 lakh** each.
- Under this initiative, **the state's first steel pot bank has been set up in Khairabad Panchayat Samiti of Ramganjmandi assembly constituency of Kota district.**
  - It will be conducted by Khairabad Panchayat Samiti.
- The government had announced this scheme in the state budget 2025-26.
- Panchayats and Self Help Groups will be selected on the principle of 'first come, first served' for setting up of Bartan Bank.
- The selection will be done by a committee constituted under the chairmanship of the Chief Executive Officer, Zilla Parishad.

### New provisions for setting up of utensils in Rajasthan

- **New Provision:** **MLAs will also be able to recommend up to** a maximum of ₹1 lakh to a panchayat in each assembly term from their MLA Local Area Development Fund (MLA-LAD Fund ).
  - This provision has been added by the Rural Development Department at No. 52 in the Guide to MLA Local Area Development Scheme .
- This initiative was announced in the Rajasthan Budget 2025-26 .
- **Objective:** To reduce the use of plastic and disposal in rural areas and promote environmental protection.

#### Key Features

- Under the scheme, pot banks will be set up in 1,000 panchayats of the state .
- An assistance of Rs 1 lakh will be provided to each panchayat by the state government.

Structure of the Utensil Bank	
Description	Number/Provision
Utensil Bank per Panchayat	400 Utensils
In a pot set	6 Utensils
Utensils Rent	₹3 per utensils

### One Time Settlement Scheme- 2025

- This is an initiative taken by the government under the announcement of the Rajasthan Budget 2025-26.
- The scheme is meant to provide relief to the Minorities Finance and Development Cooperative Corporation Limited (RM-FDCC) borrowers of Rajasthan.
- It has been launched in two phases of the scheme.
- The first phase will be in force from May 1, 2025 to September 30, 2025.
- In this phase, 100 percent waiver will be provided in overdue interest and penalty (penal interest) on a one-time payment of overdue principal amount to borrowers as on March 31, 2024, by September 30, 2025.
- The second phase will be in force from October 1, 2025 to December 31, 2025.
- In this phase, there will be a provision for payment waiver till March 31, 2024.
- The implementation of the scheme at the state level will be monitored by the corporation headquarters.
- In case of any dispute in its implementation, the decision of the Managing Director, Rajasthan Minority Finance and Development Cooperative Corporation Ltd., Jaipur, shall be final.

### **Mukhyamantri Ayushman Adarsh Gram Panchayat Yojana**

- This scheme has been launched to realize the concept of Swastha Gram, Samridh Rajasthan.
- **Objective: To** strengthen holistic health services at the village level and to work with people's participation on important health parameters.
- It is a people-participation-based health model that will strengthen rural health governance.

#### **Key Features**

- One Gram Panchayat will be selected from each block which will record 100% achievement on 10 health indicators .
- The selected Gram Panchayat will be given a certificate and an incentive of Rs 11 lakh.
- The Gram Panchayat will be evaluated by the officer appointed by the Collector and experts from the medical department.

#### **10 Health Indicators**

1. TB-free Gram Panchayat
2. 100% Institutional Delivery
3. Prenatal Care – ANC registration at 12 weeks and at least 4 checks
4. 100% Immunization of all children
5. 100% Screening for Hypertension and Diabetes
6. MAA Scheme and PMJAY Card of All Eligible Citizens
7. 100% Tobacco Free Gram Panchayat
8. Regular health check-ups of citizens aged 60+
9. 100% Cataract Screening and Treatment
10. 100% Measles Vaccination

### **New Initiatives of Rajasthan Government**

- These initiatives were launched on the birth anniversary of Bhimrao Ambedkar.
- **Launch:** April 14, 2025, from Rajasthan International Centre, Jaipur.
- **Department:** Department of Social Justice & Empowerment, Rajasthan
  - Ambedkar Panchteerth Yojana launched
  - Allotment of industrial plots to S.C. , S.T. entrepreneurs
  - Safety kits/kits for cleaners. S.C., S. T.,
  - One-time settlement scheme for Safai Karamcharis etc.
  - Approval of Mukhyamantri Ayushman Bal Sambal Yojana
  - Launch of De-addiction Centres
  - Electric wheel chairs to muscular dystrophy sufferers

### **Heatwave insurance will be available in 6 states including Rajasthan**

- The Heatwave Insurance (Temperature Insurance) Scheme has been started to provide relief to working women in the summer season.
- The objective of this scheme is to provide financial assistance in case of not being able to go to work during extreme temperatures.
- The scheme has been jointly launched by 'Climate Resilience for All (CRA)' and 'Self-Employed Women's Association (SEWA)'.
  - In the year 2025, about 2.5 lakh women from Rajasthan, Gujarat, Uttar Pradesh, Assam, Jammu and Kashmir, Maharashtra and Bihar will benefit from this.
- **Beneficiary women:** Those who work in the open, in the summer, such as fruit and vegetable vendors, agricultural labourers, etc.
- The premium for this plan is set at around \$6, of which one-third of the women pay themselves, with the remaining amount raised by the CRA.
- In this, a bank account is mandatory so that the insurance amount can be sent directly to the woman's account.
- Last year (18-25 May 2024), a pilot project ran in Rajasthan, Gujarat, and Maharashtra, involving 50,000 women.
- Of these, 92% of the women got the insurance amount ranging from Rs 400 to Rs 1600.

#### **Parametric Insurance**

- It is a relatively new model in India.

- It offers direct cash assistance without a lengthy process depending on natural disasters or climate change events such as earthquakes, floods, hurricanes or heat.

### **132 new packages of 9 diseases included in the Chief Minister's Ayushman Arogya Yojana**

- In the Chief Minister's Ayushman Arogya (MAA) scheme, the state government has included 132 new packages of 9 diseases along with Ayurvedic services and robotic surgery for the first time.
- It includes 20 packages for free treatment in Ayurvedic.
- In this scheme, 39 packages of robotic surgery have been added at the government level with state-of-the-art services.
- **Note:** The facility of robotic surgery is only available at SMS Hospital in Jaipur.

#### **New packages included in the MAA plan**

- 5 Package: Geriatric Care
- Package 2: Mental Health for Teens
- 14 Package: Oral Cancer (Lips, Tongue, Inside of Mouth)
- 15 Package: For Persons with Disabilities
- 20 Package: Ayurvedic Services
- 39 Package: Robotic Surgery
- 7 Package: Neuro Surgery
- 3 Package: Plastic Surgery & Skin Transplant Surgery
- 27 Package: Cardiac Vascular Surgery

### **Mahatma Jyotiba Phule Mandi Shramik Kalyan Yojana**

- Under this scheme, the amount per marriage has been increased from Rs 50,000 to **Rs 75,000** on the marriage of two daughters of workers.

#### **Details of the Scheme**

- **Beginning:** in 2015 .
- **Objective:** To improve the standard of living of workers employed in agricultural produce markets.
- **Features**
  - **Pregnancy Assistance:** Licensed women workers are provided an amount equal to the unskilled labour rate of 45 days for two pregnancy periods.
    - The father of the newborn is given a support amount equal to 15 days of unskilled labour rate.
  - **Scholarship/Merit Award for Students:** Under this scheme, the son/daughter of a licensed worker is awarded a scholarship if he or she scores 60% or more.
  - **Medical Assistance:** Financial assistance of Rs. 20,000 is provided on admission for treatment in a government-authorized hospital in critical illnesses .

### **New provisions of Chief Minister Ayushman Arogya Yojana implemented**

- In the new phase of the Chief Minister's Ayushman Arogya Yojana, new provisions have been implemented regarding registration in the scheme by the families of the paid category.
- For families getting newly registered and making payments from 1 February 2025, the policy scheme will come into effect only after 90 days, as per the rules of the scheme.
- In this, the premium contribution amount of Rs 850 has been paid by the families who have registered or renewed the new policy on 30 January 2025 and 31 January 2025. The policy date of those families will be considered effective from February 1, 2025 to January 31, 2026.
- The policy from May 1, 2025 to April 30, 2026 will be issued only if those families who are already registered in the scheme whose policy is effective till April 30, 2025, pay for the policy renewal by February 15.

### **Rajasthan Journalist Health Scheme**

- In Rajasthan, it was launched from Bhilwara on March 28.
- **Beneficiary:** All journalists accredited by the State Government will be eligible for RJHS. (Minimum Eligibility Age 45 years and 15 years of experience in journalism)
- After the notification of this scheme, accredited journalists will be able to get a cashless medical facility on the lines of RGHS.

- As per the scheme, eligible journalists and their family members will get medical expenses (IPD) of Rs 10 lakh per annum.
- In this, the OPD facility will be payable according to the medical diary.
- Accredited journalists will also be issued ID cards for the facility available under the scheme.
- Incidental medical expenses incurred during the period up to three days before and fifteen days after hospitalization shall be treated as part of the claim.
- Under the RJHS scheme, maternity medicine, inpatient treatment (IPD) and other medical facilities will be available cashless.

### "One District-One Sports" scheme

- The "One District One Sports" scheme has been implemented by the Rajasthan Sports Council.
- Sports have been allocated to 33 districts of Rajasthan .
- President of Rajasthan Sports Council: Neeraj K. Pawan

Sport	Districts
Kabaddi	Ajmer, Chittorgarh, Nagaur, Jaipur
Women's Wrestling	Alwar, Bharatpur
Volleyball	Barmer
Football	Baran, Dausa, Sawai Madhopur
Basketball	Bhilwara, Jhalawar, Jhunjhunu, Pali, Sikar
Archery	Bikaner, Banswara, Sirohi
Athletics	Bundi, Churu, Jalore, Sriganganagar, Tonk, Pratapgarh
hockey	Dungarpur, Dholpur, Hanumangarh, Rajsamand
gymnastics	Jodhpur, Jaisalmer
wrestling	Kota
Swimming	Udaipur
Tennisball Cricket	Karauli

### District Agro-Rural Transformation Plan (DARTP)

- This scheme is being organized by NITI Aayog, Government of India.
- Its main objective is to bring about the overall development of agriculture and rural economy.
- The scheme aims at income enhancement, employment generation and improvement of rural living standards in farm and non-farm sectors.
- Seven districts of seven states have been selected under this scheme, including Hanumangarh district of Rajasthan.
- The program is divided into three phases:
  - In the first phase (1-3 years), preparatory activities will be implemented.
  - In the second phase (3-5 years), production capacity and infrastructure will be expanded.
  - The third phase (5+ years) will focus on building a stable and prosperous rural economy.

### Agristack Plan

- Agristack is a central government project to provide digital public infrastructure related to agriculture.
- Under this, a unique ID will be provided to each farmer by creating a database of crop surveys, farmer registries and geo-referenced maps in digital form.
- This will enable farmers to access other welfare schemes and services ranging from data generation at the national level to automation in PM Kisan Samman Nidhi, Kisan Credit Card Scheme among others.
- This will bring ease and transparency in the delivery of benefits of the welfare schemes of the Central and State Government to the farmers.
- The Rajasthan government implemented this mission as a pilot project from Sikar district on 13 December 2024.
- It has been implemented at the state level in Rajasthan from February 2025.
- Under this, camps will be organized for farmer registry at the Gram Panchayat level in a phased manner.

### Chief Minister Sportsperson Insurance Scheme 2024

- This scheme is being operated by the Rajasthan State Sports Council.
- Under the scheme, those sportspersons who are a native of Rajasthan below 60 years of age and who have won medals in the Olympics, Paralympics, World Cup, Commonwealth, Asian or South Asian Games will be benefited.
- Under this scheme, a provision of free accident and life insurance of Rs 25 lakh for one year has been made to the eligible sportspersons.

### "Medicine at Your Doorstep" Plan

- Recently, the Health Department of Rajasthan has prepared a draft of this scheme.
- Under this, more than 64 lakh people above 60 years of age in Rajasthan will be provided 1668 medicines at their homes instead of going to the medicine distribution centers .
- The supply and maintenance of medicines from the Dawa Aapke Dwar scheme will be done through e-Aushadhi software.
- Pharmacists and delivery personnel will prepare medicines from the portal or departmental app.
- This scheme is beneficial for those above 60 years of age, who are suffering from different diseases.

### Digital map project launched in 10 cities of Rajasthan

- Under the Digital India Land Record Modernization Program, the map project was launched on 18 February 2025 in various states of the country including Rajasthan.
- The state-level programme was inaugurated by Local Self Government and UDH Minister Jhabar Singh Kharra.
- The Rajasthan government has selected 10 cities of the state for this project .
- These include Bhiwadi, Kishangarh, Beawar, Sawai Madhopur, Jaisalmer, Pushkar, Bagru, Behror, Nawalgarh and Nathdwara.
- In this, land rights records will be digitized by drone survey of the entire land area of the municipality.
- This will enable accurate demarcation of properties in urban areas. The ownership information of the property will also be registered.

### Revised PKC (Ramjal Setu) Project

- This Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) was signed on 5 December 2024 between Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh, and the central government. Recently its MoU was made public.
- Under this, 17 districts of Rajasthan will get 4102.6 million cubic meters (MCM) of water for drinking, irrigation and industry. Out of this, 522.60 MCM of water will be recycled.
- Out of the 3580 MCM water that Rajasthan will get, 3310 MCM will be utilized, and 270 MCM of water will be banked in the Dungri Dam, which can be used during the crisis in the monsoon.
- With this, Madhya Pradesh will get 3120.09 MCM of water.
- Under this, surplus rainwater from the tributary basins of Chambal river (Kunnu, Cool, Parvati, Kalisindh, Mej) will be sent to rivers like Banas, Morel, Banganga, Parvati, Kalisindh, Gambhir.

### Major Projects

- Ramgarh Barrage – On Kul River
- Mahalpur Barrage – On Parvati River
- Navnera Barrage – On the Kalisindh River
- Mej Barrage – on the Mej River
- Dungri Dam – On the Banas River
- Water Transfer System – From Ramgarh to Dungri Dam
- Revival of Isarda Dam and 26 Pre-Constructed Dams

### Saras Myra Scheme

- On the completion of 50 years of Jaipur Dairy, on 5th April 2025, the Saras Myra scheme was launched for the daughters of the committee members.
- **Objective:** Women empowerment in rural areas.
- Under this, each milk producer associated with the dairy will be given financial assistance of up to Rs 21,000 from Saras Dairy for the marriage of a maximum of two daughters.

- On the lines of Jaipur Dairy, the Saras Myra scheme will be implemented in the entire state of Rajasthan.
- **Note:** Jaipur Dairy is the only cooperative dairy in the country, where more than 80% of milk societies are run by women.

### **Dairy Rooftop Solar Plant Scheme and Bio-Flexi Plant Scheme**

- Jaipur District Milk Producers' Cooperative Federation (SARAS Jaipur Dairy) has taken a new initiative for social concerns, energy conservation, production of gas from organic waste.
- Dairy Rooftop Solar Plant Scheme and Bio-Flexi Plant Scheme were launched to promote green energy.
- Under this, solar power plants will be installed in 3400 societies in Jaipur and Dausa districts .
- A subsidy of Rs 5000 will be given to the committees in the Bio-Flexi Plant Scheme launched to make free cooking gas at home from organic waste .
- This plant will be able to produce 1.5 cylinders of gas per month.

### **The Women and Child Development Department will provide Suposhan Nutri Kits to pregnant women in the state**

- The Women and Child Development Department will now provide 25 grams of milk powder to severely malnourished children five days a week. This milk will be mixed with nutrition.
- About 70,000 severely malnourished children from 6 months to 5 years will get milk powder.
- **Note:** At present, 15 grams of milk powder is being given to severely malnourished children by the government.
- Apart from this, **pregnant women will be given a nutritious kit of makhana and dates etc. along with 1 kg of ghee.**
- These provisions will come into effect from July 2025.
- Apart from one kg of ghee, this kit will include half a kilo of dates, makhana, roasted gram and peanuts, fortified rice, milk powder and jaggery etc.
- These kits will be given twice in 5 months to 9 months of pregnancy.
- This will benefit about 2.50 lakh pregnant women.

### **Rajasthan Krishak Samarth Yojana**

- Under this, an additional bonus of ₹ 150 will be given on the support price of wheat at ₹ 2425 in the Rabi Marketing Season 2025-26.
- Thus, the support price of wheat in Rajasthan will be Rs.2575/- per quintal.
- In the state, an online registration facility through home or e-Mitra is available for the sale of wheat. It will be purchased from March 10 to June 30, 2025.
- The sale amount will be deposited online in the bank account.

### **Grameen Seva Shivir**

- In Rajasthan, it was started from 17 September 2025 by Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma from the Community Center of Malviya Nagar in Jaipur.
- Their objective is to provide benefits of various government schemes to the general public and to resolve their cases quickly.
- **Note:** In Rajasthan, the name of 'Gaon Chalo Abhiyan' has now been changed to Gramin Seva Shivir.
- In the first week (17th, 18th, 19th and 20th September), camps were held in 2 Gram Panchayats every day.
- In the weeks that followed, camps were held in 2 Gram Panchayats every day on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.
- The campaign went on to cover all the Gram Panchayats of each Panchayat Samiti.

#### **Main functions:**

- Application and approval of government schemes.
- Health camps.
- Application, sanction and disbursement of leases under SVAMITVA Scheme.
- 10,000 new surveys under Deen Dayal Upadhyay Garibi Mukta Gaon Yojana.
- Survey of BPL households.
- Improvement of electric wires/poles and cleanliness and tree plantation.

### Shehri Seva Shivir

- It will be organized in Rajasthan from September 15 to October 15, 2025.
- Objective: Sanitation in urban areas and speedy disposal of public problems.
- The camp was inaugurated by Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma at Bassi (Jaipur).

#### Main functions:

- Repair of drains, sewer lines, manholes, and ferry covers.
- Beautification of major circles, parks, community centers, and public spaces.
- Strengthening the sanitation system.
- In this, applications related to flagship schemes will be accepted in the camps.
- It will be jointly attended by various departments of the State Government - Local Self Governance, Social Justice and Empowerment, Water Engineering, Power, Public Works, Revenue, Women and Child Development and Medical and Health Departments.

### 'Aapni Bus - Rajasthan Rural Roadways' service launched

- Rajasthan Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma launched the new bus service 'Aapni Bus - Rajasthan Roadways' in the state on 5 October 2025.
- The service was launched during the event held at Amar Jawan Jyoti in the capital Jaipur.
- Here the Chief Minister flagged off 128 new Blue Line buses.
- The objective of the scheme is to provide better and accessible transport facilities in rural areas.
- Passengers in these buses will get the same facilities as Rajasthan Roadways, though the operation will be done by private operators under contract with Roadways.
- Under this, buses have been started on 357 routes on the revenue sharing model.
- These buses will provide better connectivity to 169 Gram Panchayats located on 25 rural routes.
- The buses running in the name of 'Public Transport Service' have now been renamed as 'Aapni Bus - Rajasthan Roadways'.
- The free travel facility being provided by the state government will continue in these buses for eligible passengers as well.



### State Government's unique initiative for traditional farming and cattle protection

- Under this, the Rajasthan government will give an incentive of ₹ 30,000 per year to selected small and marginal farmers who cultivate with bullocks.
- **Objectives:** Promotion of traditional and organic farming, cattle protection, financial assistance to farmers.
- With this incentive, the state government will also provide subsidies on the use of bullocks, improve the fertility of the fields and environmental protection.
- This will reduce the cost of cultivation of farmers, increase the use of clean energy and strengthen organic farming by availability of organic manure.

### Country's first initiative in gharial conservation by Rajasthan

- On November 13, 2019, Rajasthan Minister of State for Forest and Environment Sanjay Sharma launched a new initiative related to crocodile conservation at the National Chambal Gharial Sanctuary, Palighat in Sawai Madhopur district.
- Under this, 10 out of 30 gharial hatchlings of 5 months of age were released to their natural habitat in the Chambal river.
- The remaining hatchlings in the state will be released back into the river at an interval of 5-6 days.
- These small gharials were being conserved by the Forest Department since they hatched under the Rearing Fast Track-Head Starting Programme.

### "Smart City Roof Top Farming" Scheme in Jaipur

- Jaipur: The "Smart City Roof Top Farming Project" has been started in the Jaipur Municipal Corporation area.

- It will be implemented by the International Horticulture Innovation and Training Centre (ISITC), Durgapura, Jaipur.
- The objective of the scheme is to motivate city dwellers to cultivate vegetables on the rooftops of their houses and promote the production of fresh, organic vegetables in urban areas.
- Under this project, Roof Top Farming Units will be set up on the rooftops of the houses of the selected beneficiaries.

### **ITI Bharatpur selected 15 Hub-and-Spoke ITI Clusters from across the country**

- Under the first phase of the 'PM-SETU Scheme', Bharatpur ITI from Rajasthan has been selected among the 15 hub-and-spoke ITI clusters spread across diverse sectors and industrial ecosystems across the country.
- In the first phase, Bharatpur ITI will be developed as a hub institute.
- Apart from this, ITI Dholpur, ITI Karauli, ITI Kaman, and ITI Bayana will be upgraded as Spoke Institutes.

#### **'PM-SETU scheme'**

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the scheme on 4 October 2025.
- **PM-SETU** Full Form: Pradhan Mantri Skilling and Employability Transformation through Upgraded ITIs
- Under this scheme, 1,000 Industrial Training Institutes (ITIs) will be converted into advanced training centres at a cost of ₹60,000 crore .
- It will have 200 ITIs become "Hubs" under a hub-and-spoke model and 800 ITIs will act as "Spokes", expanding training and outreach.

### **Jaipur Greater Nigam Scholarship Scheme**

- Jaipur Greater Nigam has taken the initiative to give scholarships to the meritorious children of Swachhta Warriors.
- This scheme has been started by Mayor Dr. Soumya Gurjar.
- This is the first time such an initiative has been taken in India.
- This year, 50 children are being selected and given scholarships.
- Each eligible student will be given an amount ranging from Rs 50,000 to Rs 1 lakh.
- The selection process will be based on the number of students who have scored 70 per cent or more marks in class 10 and 12.
- A maximum of two children of a cleanliness warrior will be given this benefit.
- This scheme will apply only to the children of permanent sanitation workers currently serving in the Jaipur Greater Municipal Corporation

### **Shiksha Sanjeevani Bima Yojana**

- **Launch:** 26 February 2025 from Udaipur.
- Under this, 1.3 lakh students of government schools of Udaipur division will be given personal accident insurance of Rs 1 lakh.
- For the first time in Rajasthan, a personal accident insurance program has been launched for school students.
- The insurance will be done by Zurich Kotak Insurance, State Bank of India under Corporate Social Responsibility of Wonder Cement.
- Under this scheme, 1 crore school children will be benefited in future.

### **Land Pooling Scheme**

- Jaipur: The state's first land pooling scheme will be launched in Jaipur under the Rajasthan Land Pooling Scheme Act-2016 .
- Under this scheme, a provision has been made to give 45% land to farmers for the first time.
- Under this scheme, town planning will be done in a modern way.
- This scheme will be implemented in Jaipur, after which the scheme will be started in other cities under the Development Authority Land Pooling.

## Policies of Rajasthan

### Rajasthan Vehicle Scrapping Policy-2025

- In line with the announcement of the Rajasthan Budget Year 2025-26, the Rajasthan Vehicle Scrapping Policy-2025 was approved on 30th December 2025.
- The policy aims at safe and scientific disposal of unfit and polluting vehicles by phasing them out.
- Under this, Registered Vehicle Scrapping Facilities (RVSFs) will be promoted in the state.
- The scrapping process will be made completely digital, transparent and traceable and will be integrated with the VAHAN portal.
- Along with this, tax exemptions, circular economy, investment and startup promotion and environmental protection will be encouraged.

subject	Key Provisions
Vehicles eligible for scrapping	1. Government vehicles older than 15 years 2. Fitness/Unregistered Vehicles 3. Crashed or unusable vehicle 4. Auctioned scrap vehicles and vehicles with voluntary scrapping
Certificates	COD (Certificate of Deposit) and CVS (Certificate of Vehicle Scrapping) by Scrapping Center
Tax Exemptions	Up to 50% rebate in motor vehicle tax on purchase of new vehicle based on COD, maximum ₹1 lakh
Chassis Number Protection	6 months with scrapper + 18 months with District Transport Officer (total 2 years)
Circular Economy	Reuse of steel, aluminum, plastic, rubber etc.
Benefits to Industries	Cheaper raw materials for automobile, steel and manufacturing sectors
Investment Incentives	Capital subsidy, tax exemption, interest subvention, stamp duty and electricity duty concessions to the first 20 scrapping units
Startup Support	Recycling and Scrapping Startups Supported under Rajasthan Startup Policy

### Rajasthan AI-ML Policy-2026

- The Rajasthan government approved the Rajasthan AI-ML Policy-2026 on 30 December 2025 .
- The policy aims to make public services fast, transparent, and citizen-centric through the responsive, ethical, and secure use of Artificial Intelligence (AI) and Machine Learning (ML).
- The policy will enhance administrative efficiency, promote innovation-driven economic growth, and help develop Rajasthan as an emerging hub for investment and innovation.
- It lays special emphasis on data protection, cyber security, AI education, capacity building, and industry-startup collaboration.

subject	Key Provisions
Cybersecurity	Clear mechanism for reporting and resolution of cybercrimes related to AI
AI Center of Excellence	Establishment of Artificial Intelligence Centre of Excellence in the state
AI Nodal Officer	Appointment of Nodal Officer for AI Functions in each Department
Digital Infrastructure	Boost to AI Cloud, Secure Data Storage and Testing Platform
AI Education	Promotion of AI Education in Schools, ITIs, Polytechnics and Colleges
Training Programs	AI Training for Youth, Teachers, and Government Personnel
Industry & Startup Support	Top-up incentives to industry, MSMEs, startups and research institutions
Biased Control	Provisions to reduce bias and clarify decision making in AI systems

### **Rajasthan Film Tourism Promotion Policy-2025**

- In Rajasthan, Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma launched the Rajasthan Film Tourism Promotion Policy-2025 on 24 December 2025 in Mandawa town of Jhunjhunu .
- The policy aims to make Rajasthan a major hub for national and international filming.
- The state government has made provisions related to subsidies, incentives and ease of doing business to promote film production.
- It will provide financial assistance as well as simplify administrative procedures.

#### **Provision of subsidy on shooting**

- In Rajasthan, a maximum of 30 percent subsidy will be given on the expenditure incurred on the shooting of feature films, web series, TV serials and documentaries .
- The maximum subsidy will be available on completion of 50% of the shooting days of the feature film in Rajasthan.
- An additional subsidy of 5 per cent will be given within the prescribed limit if the entire film is shot in Rajasthan .

#### **Maximum limit of subsidy**

- Feature film: Rs 3 crore
- Web Series: Rs 2 crore
- TV serial: Rs 1.5 crore
- Documentary: Rs 2 crore
- **Note:** The minimum expenditure for subsidy has been fixed at Rs 2 crore for feature films and Rs 1 crore for web series, TV serials and Rajasthani language films .

#### **Screen-time-based incentives for locations**

- 5 to 15 percent on screen-time: 10 percent incentive
- 16 to 30 percent on screen-time: 20 percent incentive
- More than 30 percent on screen-time: 30 percent subsidy

#### **Full reimbursement of permission fee**

- At shooting locations controlled by the state and central governments, 100% reimbursement of permit charges and fees (for a maximum of five days) will be provided
- International award winning feature films shot in Rajasthan will get an incentive of up to a maximum of Rs 1 crore.
- The incentive amount will be up to a maximum of Rs 50 lakh for films winning National Film Awards .

#### **Scholarships and Training Assistance for Students**

- The scholarships will be given to students from Rajasthan studying or training at FTII Pune, Satyajit Ray Film and Television Institute Kolkata and National School of Drama, New Delhi.
- Every year 10 students will be selected.
- The selected students will be given 100% tuition fee assistance up to a maximum of Rs 50,000.
- Apart from this, a stipend of up to Rs 5,000 per month will also be provided.

### **Heal in Rajasthan Policy 2025**

- The Rajasthan government launched the "Heal in Rajasthan Policy 2025" on 15 December 2025 in the direction of developing the state as a major medical tourism center.
- **Goal:** To develop Rajasthan as a trustworthy, accessible, and affordable Medical Value Travel (MVT) destination.

#### **Highlights:**

- **Advanced Health System:** More than 8,000 hospitals, 40+ medical colleges and high-level private hospitals are functioning in the state.
- **Multi-specialty medical services:** Multi-speciality hospitals will provide treatment facilities at par with international standards.
- **Incorporation of Traditional Medicine:** The focus will be on health and lifestyle improvement by promoting Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani and Siddha systems of medicine.
- **Technological Innovation:** A dedicated cell will be set up that will certify the service providers. Additionally, an MVT portal and mobile app will be developed that will provide treatment, facilities, and technical information to the tourists.
- **Digital services:** Telemedicine, teleconsultation, biotechnology and app-based diagnostic services will be expanded.

- **Language Support:** Multilingual helpline services will be launched for domestic and foreign tourists.
- **Formation of Committees:** An Executive Committee headed by the Chief Secretary and a Technical Committee headed by the Medical Education Secretary **will be constituted for the implementation of the policy** .

### **Non-Resident Rajasthani Policy of Rajasthan-2025**

- This policy-2025 was approved on 3rd December 2025.
- The Non-Resident Rajasthani Policy-2025 aims to strengthen the social, cultural and economic connect of migrant Rajasthanis with the state.
- The policy will promote NRR's contribution in investment, trade, knowledge exchange, research and social sectors.

#### **Key Provisions**

- Under the policy, a better ecosystem will be created in the state to speed up investment.
- NRR Investment Facilitation Cell will be set up to coordinate investment processes.
- The Investment Liaison Officers will monitor investment proposals and ensure departmental coordination.
- Investment coordinators will be appointed in the chapters of Rajasthan Foundation.
- NRR Investment Advisory Councils will be set up in collaboration with overseas experts and industry.
- These councils will prepare policy suggestions and sector-wise investment roadmap.
- Pravasi Rajasthani Divas and Pravasi Rajasthani Samman Awards will be organized to recognize the contribution of the migrant community.
- A diaspora database will be created for information related to the location, skills, occupation and investment potential of migrants.
- Under the policy, innovations such as Global Youth Connect, Celebrate Rajasthan and Diaspora for Development will be introduced.
- A systematic grievance redressal and coordination mechanism will be set up to address the problems of migrant Rajasthanis.

### **Rajasthan Trade Promotion Policy-2025**

- The policy-2025 was approved on 3rd December 2025.
- The Rajasthan Cabinet has approved the Rajasthan Trade Promotion Policy-2025.
- The policy aims to provide a level playing field to small traders such as large trades, e-commerce platforms and logistics networks.
- With the implementation of this policy, the retail and wholesale trade of the state will be more strengthened.
- The policy has been framed keeping in mind the more than 10.5 lakh retail stores present in the state and the fast-growing consumer market.
- The policy will promote investment in the business sector, which will create new opportunities for employment generation.

#### **Key Provisions**

- Small traders will be provided easy access to markets and credit.
- Special incentives will be given to the development of MSME enterprises in retail and wholesale trade.
- Reforms related to ease of doing business have been given prominent place in the policy.
- Under this, the provisions of the Rajasthan Shops and Commercial Establishments Act, 1958 will be considered to be relaxed as needed.
- These reforms will make the operations of business units simpler and more business-friendly.

### **Rajasthan Tourism Policy-2025**

- The policy-2025 was approved on 3rd December 2025.
- The Rajasthan Tourism Policy-2025 lays special emphasis on encouraging private sector investment.

#### **Key Provisions**

- Under the policy, priority has been given to the development of tourism infrastructure.
- Measures will be taken to improve connectivity to major tourist destinations.

- Cleanliness and safety will be strengthened at tourist places.
- Special attention has been given to the expansion of digital facilities.
- Branding and marketing of tourism will be strengthened.
- Skill development in the tourism sector will be encouraged.
- A conducive environment will be created for tourism units.
- The policy provides for the development of religious tourism routes.
- Tourism hubs will be set up around forest and religious areas.
- Shaurya circuits and bird-watching circuits will be developed.
- Projection mapping and light-and-sound shows will be promoted.
- Prepaid taxi booths, e-vehicle tours and Rajasthan Travel Card facilities will be developed.
- Home-stay and paying guest facilities will be encouraged.
- Special Tourism Zones (STZs) will be developed in selected districts.
- A single web portal will be launched for permission of tourism projects.
- Tourism projects will be developed under the PPP model.
- Provision has been made for setting up of skilling centres and scholarships for tourism students.
- Craft museums will be developed to promote cultural heritage and local crafts.
- New tourism portals, mobile apps and digital museums will be created.
- Viability Gap Funding will be provided to enhance air connectivity.
- Major fairs and festivals will be organized on a large scale.
- Astro-tourism, adventure tourism, culinary tourism, large recreational projects and wellness tourism will be promoted.
- A 24×7 call centre, tourist assistance force, panic button system, CCTV and feedback system will be implemented for the safety of tourists.

### Rajasthan Transit-Oriented Development (TOD) Policy

- The Rajasthan government will issue a notification and implement this TOD policy in all the urban bodies of the state.
- **Objective:** To promote orderly and sustainable development in urban areas in view of urban challenges such as increasing traffic jams, pollution, disorderly land use, and economic loss.
- TOD is a modern urban development model, which aims to build compact, mixed-use, and high-density areas around public transportation stations.
- This will promote pedestrian and non-motorized transport and will help in making the city more accessible, eco-friendly and livable.
- It will also provide opportunities for revitalization of old residential areas, development of new housing options, expansion of economic hubs and increase in land value at major nodes.

### Developed Rajasthan @2047 Vision Document

- Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah released the 'Viksit Rajasthan @2047 Vision Document' in Jaipur on 13th October 2025.
- This document presents a detailed roadmap to establish the state as a developed state by the year 2047.
- The vision aims to build a \$4.3 trillion economy, with four main pillars of agriculture, industry, tourism and renewable energy development.
- The vision document **is divided into 4 themes and 13 key sectors** —



चार थीम: जो बनाएंगी राजस्थान को सशक्त, समृद्ध और आत्मनिर्भर

थीम A - जनकल्याण और सामाजिक सशक्तिकरण

थीम B - त्वरित विकास, समृद्धि एवं रोजगार सृजन

थीम C - आधारभूत अवसंरचना और सतत विकास

थीम D - नीति, वित्त और शासन

**1. Public Welfare and Social Empowerment —**

- It covers agriculture, health, education and social welfare.

**2. Rapid growth, prosperity and employment generation —**

- This includes industry, mining and economic growth, as well as tourism and cultural development.

**3. Future Oriented Rajasthan, Infrastructure and Sustainable Development —**

- This includes sectors such as infrastructure development, water security and resilience and environmental sustainability and climate resilience.

**4. Policy, Finance and Governance—**

- This includes rural and urban development, effective governance, public services and financial management and economic policy.

**Implementation**

- Each department will prepare specific plans in line with the goals associated with its sector.
- A financial and performance review system will be put in place to assess progress and impact.
- An evaluation framework will be adopted to ensure accountability and for time-bound improvements.
- Progress parameters have been set based on interim targets for 2030, 2035 and 2040.

Field	Key targets by 2047
Manufacturing Sector	Increase the share in Gross State Value Added (GSVA) to 20%
Health	Increasing life expectancy to 77 years
Child Health	Reduce infant mortality rate to less than 10 per 1,000 live births
Teaching	achieving 100% school enrollment; Upgrading all schools into smart and computer-enabled institutions
Women Empowerment	Women's workforce participation exceeds 60%
Tourism	Increase Rajasthan's share in domestic tourists to 15%

**Rajasthan Global Capability Centre (GCC) Policy-2025 Implemented**

- The GCC Policy-2025 was approved in the cabinet meeting chaired by Chief Minister Bhajan Lal Sharma.
- Objective— To make Rajasthan the largest GCC Excellence Hub in the country.
- **Proposed GCC cities—** Jaipur, Udaipur, Jodhpur.
- The back-end operations of global companies, including technology, finance, HR, data analytics, R&D, operate in the GCC.

**Target (by 2030)**

- Installation of 200+ GCC Units
- Employment to more than 1.5 lakh youth

**Key Incentives of GCC Policy-2025**

- **Capital Investment Subsidy:** 30% of the project cost (excluding land and building costs), up to a maximum of ₹10 crore.
- **Land Cost Incentive:** 50% of the land/lease area cost, maximum ₹1 crore.
- **Payroll Subsidy:** 30% of employees' salary for the first 3 years, maximum ₹1.25 lakh per employee/year.
- **Rental Assistance:** Rental operated units have a provision for the first 3 years: 50% rent, the next 2 years: 25% rent, and a maximum of ₹5 crore per GCC per year.
- **Skill Development Incentives:** 50% of the training cost, maximum ₹2.5 crore per year.
- **Research & Environmental Support:** 50% support on patent/copyright costs .
- Green Incentives to promote Green Technology Innovations.
- Exemption on stamp duty and electricity duty.
- The policy also includes the benefits of the provisions of RIPS-2024.
- All applications under the GCC Policy-2025 will be made on the 'Rajnivesh Single Window Portal'.
- The Project Evaluation Committee (PEC) will study the DPR.
- It will send its recommendation to the Project Approval Committee (PAC) in 60 days.
- The PAC will also make a final decision in 60 days.

**structure**

- PEC President: Executive Director, RICO
- PAC Chairman: Administrative Secretary, Department of Industry and Commerce
- Nodal Department: Department of Industries and Commerce.

**Rajasthan's new land allotment policy**

- The Rajasthan government has implemented a new policy on land allotment in urban areas.
- For the first time, the area and rate of concessional land has been clearly fixed so that there is no arbitrary allotment of land.
- The policy covers public, social, religious, charitable institutions, trusts and private investors.
- Its primary focus will be on educational, health, social and tourism facilities.
- If there is only partial use of the allotted land, the remaining portion will be cancelled.
  - **Note:** Earlier, many cases were stuck due to the lack of such a system.

**Hotel and Resort Investment Provisions:**

- The minimum investment limit in the hotel sector has been reduced from Rs 100 crore to Rs 50 crore.
- The minimum area of land for hotel projects was increased from 2000 sqm to 3000 sqm.
- The resort projects will start with an investment of Rs 50 crore and will get a maximum of 10,000 square meters of land (when the project is actually grounded).

**Concessional Land Allotment:**

- Registered social, religious, charitable institutions, trusts and investors will be able to take land only at a maximum of 40% concessional rate.
- The decision on more concessions will be taken only at the government and chief minister level.
- In this, the scope of arbitrary concessions at the municipal level has been completely eliminated.

**Land Allotment Policy for Urban Areas-2025**

- The Rajasthan Cabinet has approved a new policy of allotment of land for various uses in urban areas.
- This new policy will replace the land allotment policy of 2015.
- **Objective:** To make the land allotment process simple, transparent and uniform for various units.
- This includes educational, medical, industrial, commercial and tourism units for public, social, religious, charitable institutions, trusts, private investors, companies and government departments.

**Key Points:**

- The allotment of land for social use will be at the rate of 40% of the reserve or DLC rate .
- RIICO and the housing board will get the undeveloped land at the agricultural DLC rate.
- Government departments will be provided land free of cost up to the prescribed limit for their activities.
- Allotment of land will also be allowed under special policies like tourism and IT industry with the approval of the state government.
- Land will not be allotted to residential projects, commercial complexes, retail fuel stations, gas projects, gas warehouses and red category industries.

**Land Lease Policy of Airstrips for Aero Sports**

- A new policy has been approved to promote aero sports and adventure tourism in Rajasthan and to utilize underutilized airstrips.

**Provision:**

- The lease fee per square meter per year will be Rs 100 and the concession fee per airstrip will be Rs 6 lakh.
- There will be an annual increase in rates of 5% for the first 5 years and 10% from the 6th to 20th year.
- A maximum of 2000 square meters of land will be leased for a maximum of 20 years.
- **Benefits:** Direct and indirect employment opportunities will increase and contribute to the revenue and GDP of the state.

### **Draft of revised policy of Rajasthan AYUSH policy released**

- The Rajasthan government has released the revised draft of AYUSH Policy-2025.
- The Department of Ayush has included Electropathy in this policy in addition to traditional systems of medicine like Ayurveda, Yoga, Unani, Siddha and Homoeopathy.
- The process of education, training and registration for this medical practice will be started in Rajasthan.
- The revised policy will provide dispensaries at Gram Panchayat level, specialist services at district and block levels, setting up of AYUSH hospitals in deprived areas, and facilities for treatment of non-communicable diseases.
- The facility of sonography and CT scan in AYUSH hospitals and many other improvements are also included in the policy.
- Apart from this, **a Directorate of Ayush Education will be set up in Jaipur.**
- The establishment of an international level Ayurveda Research Centre in **Rajasthan Ayurveda University**, Jodhpur, establishment of State Drug Manufacturing and Marketing Corporation from the Central Ayurveda Research Institute etc. has been mentioned.

#### **Important:**

- In addition to the above medical practices, the Rajasthan Electropathic System of Medicine Act was passed in the year 2018.
- A Gazette notification was issued on 1 May 2025, and the Board had been constituted prior to this.
- **Note:** The AYUSH policy was released in the year 2021 in Rajasthan.

### **Township Policy-2024**

- The "Township Policy-2024" was approved to ensure orderly and integrated development in urban areas of the state.
- Through this policy, better availability of facilities will be ensured by reducing the bottlenecks in the development of schemes.

#### **Key Provisions:**

- In all housing schemes, 7% of the land will be reserved for parks and playgrounds and 8% for the amenity areas.
- The maintenance of development works will be carried out for up to five years or until they are handed over to the Residents' Welfare Association, for which 2.5% of the land parcels will be reserved.
- Special provisions have been made for mixed land use, group housing, flat housing and integrated schemes.
- A minimum of 5% of the area has been reserved for the workers in industrial schemes for residential use.
- The allotment of plots for the economically weaker and low-income group will be done through the local body.
- According to the JDA's Sector Commercial Policy, there will be a provision for land acquisition with mutual consent so that sector roads and commercial leases can be developed.
- Rainwater harvesting and wastewater recycling have also been included in all the schemes.

### **Rajasthan City Gas Distribution (CGD) Policy-2025**

- The state government approved the Rajasthan City Gas Distribution (CGD) Policy, 2025 with an aim to encourage a gas-based economy.
- This policy will remain in effect till March 31, 2029 or until the new policy comes into force.
- This policy will contribute to ensuring access to clean, safe and environment-friendly natural gas in the state and reduce carbon emissions.

#### **Key features:**

- The CNG and PNG networks will be expanded to smaller cities and towns faster.
- The procedures for permission, land allotment and approval to the Gas Distribution Companies will be simplified and time-bound.
- A CGD portal will be developed to facilitate these activities digitally.

### **Amendments to Rajasthan Integrated Clean Energy Policy-2024**

- The state government has approved amendments to the Integrated Clean Energy Policy-2024.

- It aims to facilitate land allotment to large investors who have signed MoUs for projects of 1000MW or more at the Rising Rajasthan Global Investment Summit .

**Amended Provisions**

- If the investors register by depositing the necessary fees in the Rajasthan Renewable Energy Corporation, then the revenue department can recommend the reservation of land for them.
- **Reserved land:**
  - One-third of the area will be allotted within 3 years
  - The next one-third will be allotted within 4–6 years
  - The remaining portion will be allotted within 7–9 years, upon application along with payment of the prescribed fee.

**Amendment in Land Allotment Policy for Warehouses and Logistics Units**

- With an aim to strengthen the warehousing and logistics sector in Rajasthan, the Rajasthan State Industrial Development and Investment Corporation (RIICO) has amended the existing policy of land allotment.
- This amendment has been made in the context of Rajasthan Logistics Policy-2025.
- Plots will be reserved for logistics units in the new industrial areas of the state as per the requirement and **special dedicated areas of logistics** will also be developed.
- As per the new policy of RIICO, logistics is no longer limited to transportation of goods but also includes production, consumption, storage, value addition and movement of goods between respective service points.
- The logistics infrastructure will include ports, railway stations, Multi Modal Logistics Parks (MMLPs), warehouses, and various business complexes.
- In addition, storage facilities such as silos, cold storage, dry ports, in-land container depots, container freight stations, air freight stations, cargo terminals, truck parking and rest areas for truckers, logistics parks, multi-modal and integrated logistics parks will come under the ambit of this scheme.
- According to the new system, these facilities can be installed only on roads 18 meters or wider.

**Rajasthan Civil Aviation Policy**

- The Rajasthan Civil Aviation Department released the Rajasthan Civil Aviation Policy 2024 on 20th March 2025.
- **Objective:** To expand and modernize facilities at airports, airstrips, helipads and heliports.
- In the first phase, facilities will be expanded **at Uttarlai and Udaipur airports in Barmer.**
- The airstrips at Chakchainpura in Sawai Madhopur, Nagaur, Hamirgarh in Bhilwara, Abu Road, and Lalgadh Jatan in Sri Ganganagar will be developed and made suitable for night flights.
- **A Flying Training Organisation will be set up in Jhalawar.**
- City-side development works will be undertaken at the state’s major airports.
  - In the first phase, work will be done at Jaipur Airport. A cargo complex will also be built here.
- New airports will be developed at important centers of business and tourism.
  - In the first phase, a new airport will be built in Kota in collaboration with the Airports Authority of India.

**Rajasthan New Broadcaster Policy 2025**

- This policy was first released in Rajasthan on 5th January 2025 for social media influencers .
- Objective: To involve social media influencers in the promotion and outreach of the state government’s public welfare schemes.
- Policy Enforcement Department: Department of Information and Public Relations.

**Categories of Influencers:**

Category A	Category B
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Influencers with 1 lakh or more subscribers/followers.</li> <li>● Selection of 2 influencers at the divisional level .</li> <li>● Honorarium of Rs 25,000 per month.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Influencers with 7,000 to 1 lakh subscribers/followers.</li> <li>● Selection of 1 influencer at divisional level and 1 influencer at district level .</li> <li>● Honorarium of Rs 15,000 per month.</li> </ul>

**Directions:**

- **Payment Rules:** Those who leave work in the middle of the month will not get paid.
- **Monitoring and Guidance:** The in-charge of the District Information and Public Relations Office will act as a mentor.

**Responsibilities of Influencers:**

- **Social Media Posts:** At least one post on the schemes and decisions of the state government will have to be uploaded daily.
- **Sharing and Re-posting:** Share/re-post posts of the government's social media handles.
- **Platforms:** Facebook, X (Twitter), Instagram, YouTube.
- **Skill Development:** Influencers will be supported by the department in the following skills:
  - Content Creation
  - Video-Audio Editing
  - SEO
  - Social Media Management
  - Branding
- This policy was announced in the revised budget for 2024–25 as a skill-based new outreach policy for the promotion of public welfare schemes

**New Rajasthan Excise & Liquor Control Policy**

- The duration of this policy will be from 1st April 2025 to 31st March 2029.

**Key Provisions:**

- Under the policy, the rules will be reviewed annually so that improvements and changes can be made from time to time.
- Maintaining the number of liquor shops at 7665 at present, these shops will be arranged by dividing them into clusters in different districts.
- All types of permissions, licenses and permits will be processed online, ensuring their automated approval.
- 5% of the annual guarantee amount determined as license fee will be charged.
- Airports and hotels with 10 or more rooms will also be allowed to open bars.
- Provision will be made for seasonal bar licenses in tourism areas such as Jaisalmer, Mount Abu, Kumbhalgarh, and Pushkar.
- Strict control will be maintained over advertisements for regulated/controlled liquor, and the sale of alcohol to minors will be prohibited.
- Fines will be imposed on those who consume liquor in public places.

**Rajasthan Textile and Apparel Policy-2025**

- The policy was approved by the Government of Rajasthan on 5th February 2025.
- The state government wants to establish the state as a global manufacturing hub in the field of textiles and apparel.
- Keeping this in mind, the Rajasthan Textile and Apparel Policy-2025 has been approved.
- It will promote employment generation, skill development, innovation, productivity and exports along with sustainable and overall development of the textile and apparel sector in the state.
- On the other hand, it will also enhance the efficiency and credibility of local textile producers globally.
- This policy will benefit textile manufacturers of the state and create new employment opportunities in the state with a potential investment of about Rs 40,000 crore.

**Rajasthan Data Center Policy- 2025**

- The policy was approved by the Government of Rajasthan on 5th February 2025.
- The policy aims to develop a world-class data center ecosystem in the state and make Rajasthan a prime destination in the data centre sector.
- Under this, the establishment of data centers in the private sector in Rajasthan will be encouraged keeping in view the increasing influence of information technology and technology.
- This policy will streamline the efficiency, safety and reliability of the data centers to be set up in the state.

- The policy provides for incentives to the data centre sector, including Asset Creation Incentive, Sunrise Incentive, Interest Subvention, Banking, Transmission and Wheeling Fee Rebate, Flexible Land Payment Facility, Stamp Duty, Land Conversion and Electricity Duty Exemption and Exemption from External Development Charges.
- With the implementation of this policy, an investment of about Rs 20,000 crore is likely to be made in the state in the next five years.

### Rajasthan Logistics Policy-2025

- The policy was approved by the Government of Rajasthan on 5th February 2025.
- **Objective:** To reduce logistics cost while promoting industrial development and enhancing connectivity in the state.
- The policy will help in employment generation by mapping logistics facilities and attracting private investment in the logistics sector.
- Capital subsidy for warehouses, silos, cold storage, inland container depots, container freight stations, air freight stations, cargo terminals, trucker parks, private multi modal logistics parks and integrated logistics park developers under Rajasthan Logistics Policy-2025, Attractive provisions have been made for various concessions in taxes and duties including interest subvention.
- In the upcoming industrial areas of RIICO, a maximum of 10 acres or 10% of the allotable land will be reserved for logistics facilities.

### Rajasthan Youth Policy-2025

- The policy was approved by the Government of Rajasthan on 5th February 2025.
- This policy will replace the Rajasthan Youth Policy-2013.
- Under this, access to quality education, skills, health, employment, entrepreneurship and basic rights will be ensured to the youth.
- The new Youth Policy will encourage participation of youth in various fields including social, economic, political and cultural spheres.
- The policy will also support emerging talent in fields such as art, sports, culture and literature.

### Amendments to Sewerage and Wastewater Policy-2016

- The Rajasthan government has amended the policy and made it in line with the concept of Swachh Bharat Mission.
- Under this policy:
  - A well-organized sewerage system will be created in all urban bodies.
  - While working on a circular economy, reuse of treated water, manure, gas etc. will be ensured.
  - According to the ham model, there will be a payment arrangement — 40% of the amount will be given on completion of the work and 60% will be given in the operation-sustainment period.

## Campaigns & Events

Subject	Key Points
<b>'Eat Right School' campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implemented under the 'Eat Right India' initiative</li> <li>• Promotion of safe, healthy and nutritious food</li> <li>• Coordination between FSSAI, Directorate of Food Safety, and Education Department</li> <li>• Target to connect 10,000 schools</li> </ul>
<b>Anaemia Free Campaign for Pregnant Women</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 15 December 2025</li> <li>• FCM injection campaign</li> <li>• Thalassaemia and sickle cell screening</li> <li>• Eye check-up and free spectacles distribution to school children</li> </ul>

<p><b>"Nav Utthan-Nai Pehchaan, Badhta Rajasthan-Hamara Rajasthan" Exhibition</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening: 15 December 2025</li> <li>• Venue: Jawahar Kala Kendra, Jaipur</li> <li>• Duration: Till December 18</li> <li>• 2 Years of Achievements, Plans, Models, Photos &amp; Videos Displayed</li> </ul>
<p><b>District Level Programme "Badhta Rajasthan-Hamara Rajasthan"</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 13 December 2025</li> <li>• Opportunity: 2 years of government completed</li> <li>• Press Briefing, Dispatch of Vikas Rath</li> <li>• Road safety awareness campaign</li> </ul>
<p><b>'Child Marriage Free Gram Panchayat' Campaign</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 13 December 2025</li> <li>• District: Baran</li> <li>• 100 days Public Awareness Campaign</li> <li>• Operation of Awareness Rath</li> <li>• High-risk districts according to NFHS-5</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rajeevika - "Mission Samridh Didi" Campaign</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 12 December 2025</li> <li>• One-month state-level campaign</li> <li>• Economic Empowerment of SHG Women</li> <li>• Bank Credit, Women Enterprise and Digital Financial Inclusion</li> </ul>
<p><b>TB Mukht Bharat Abhiyan (ACF-Phase II)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: 25 December 2025 – 15 January 2026</li> <li>• Objective: Identification of hidden TB cases</li> <li>• Door-to-door screening of high-risk groups</li> <li>• Includes jails, mining areas and slums</li> </ul>
<p><b>Hariyalo Rajasthan Tree Plantation Mega Campaign</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commencement: 7 August 2024, Gahota Gaon (Dudu, Jaipur)</li> <li>• 2025 Target: 100 million saplings ( 50.87 lakh so far)</li> <li>• 7 crore+ plantations in 2024</li> <li>• 50 crore saplings target in 5 years</li> <li>• "Matru Van" in every district</li> <li>• Monitoring with Mission Hariyalo Mobile App</li> <li>• Coordination with 'Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam' campaign</li> </ul>
<p><b>Mukhyamantri Shikshit Rajasthan Abhiyan (MSRA)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 29 March 2025 (CM Bhajan Lal Sharma)</li> <li>• For effective implementation of NEP-2020</li> <li>• First State to launch this level of campaign – Rajasthan</li> <li>• Objective: All round development, quality improvement, model state</li> <li>- Phased implementation from session 2025-26</li> <li>• 4 Components: Student, School, Teacher, Academic Outcomes (41 tasks)</li> <li>• Enrolment growth, employment-oriented education, digital monitoring, mega PTM, AI-based ORF, Prakhar 2.0, Nipun Abhiyan</li> </ul>
<p><b>Nayi Chetna 4.0 – 'Initiative for Change'</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening: 25th November 2025, Jaipur</li> <li>• Duration: 25 November–23 December 2025</li> <li>• Focus on women's economic empowerment and prevention of digital violence</li> <li>• Operation: Rajasthan Rural Livelihood Development Council (Rajeevika)</li> <li>• Associated with the 16 Days of Activism Against Gender-Based Violence</li> </ul>

<b>'Nyay Aapke Dwar' Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 10 November 2025 (National Legal Services Day)</li> <li>• Acting Chief Justice: Sanjeev Prakash Sharma</li> <li>• Objective: Easy and quick solutions to public utility problems</li> </ul>
<b>Niramaya Rajasthan Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Level Launch: 7 April 2025, Jaipur</li> <li>• Motto: 'Sarve Santu Niramaya'</li> <li>• Special Public Awareness Programme in the month of October</li> <li>• Theme: "Less Oil — More Health"</li> <li>• Implementation in rural areas through CHO</li> <li>• Yoga, exercise, balanced diet discussion in schools, Ayushman Arogya temples</li> <li>• Health screening at Ayushman Arogya camps</li> </ul>
<b>"Mediation for the Nation" Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: 1 July–30 September 2025</li> <li>• Objective: Disposal of pending cases through mutual consent</li> <li>• Refer cases from HighCourt, District courts and Taluka Courts to Mediation Centres</li> <li>• Conducted by Rajasthan State Legal Services Authority</li> </ul>
<b>Knowledge Enhancement Program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A group of 38 progressive peasants went to Copenhagen (Denmark)</li> <li>• Announcement: Budget 2024-25</li> <li>• Objective: Local agricultural improvement from international experience</li> </ul>
<b>Green India Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 2 September 2025</li> <li>• Objective to take PM Suryaghar Yojana to every household</li> <li>• Exhibition: Jodhpur (16–18 November 2025), Jaipur (21–23 January 2026)</li> <li>• Fact: Rajasthan tops the country in solar power generation</li> </ul>
<b>Dharti Aba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implementation in all the three DISCOMs under RDSS</li> <li>• Objective: Improving infrastructure, health, education and livelihood in tribal areas</li> <li>• Eligibility: Villages with 500+ population and 50%+ tribal population</li> <li>- Villages in Aspirational Districts also included</li> </ul>
<b>"Sashakt Nari, Zimmedari Hamari" campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women's Safety Awareness Week from 20 to 26 August in the Jaipur Police Commissionerate area.</li> <li>• Objective: To educate women/girls about their rights, laws and safety measures and to enhance police-public interaction.</li> <li>• Walk and Talk Programme by Women Police</li> <li>• RajCop Citizen App – Need Help Feature Information</li> </ul>
<b>"Give Up Campaign" (Food Subsidy)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commencement: 1 November 2023</li> <li>- So far, 27 lakh eligible beneficiaries voluntarily forego food subsidy</li> <li>• Objective: To extend the benefits of NFSA to the truly needy</li> <li>• New disadvantaged households added to the list through the campaign</li> </ul>
<b>'Saksham Jaipur Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Special camps to be organized from August 18</li> <li>• Provision of artificial limbs and assistive devices to differently-abled and BPL senior citizens.</li> </ul>
<b>Active Tuberculosis (TB) Detection Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commencement: 25 June 2025, Duration: 21 July 2025</li> <li>• Screening of 74 lakh+ vulnerable population (about 44%)</li> <li>• Target: Screening 1.67 crore people</li> <li>• Objective: Identification and free treatment of hidden cases of TB</li> <li>• Real-time monitoring from Nikshay portal</li> <li>• 3,350 Gram Panchayats TB-free in 2024, ranking third in the country</li> </ul>

<b>'Fit Rajasthan' Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commencement: 7th April 2025 (on the lines of Fit India)</li> <li>• Playgrounds prepared in 9,352 Gram Panchayats</li> <li>• Sports kits (football, basketball, volleyball, nets) to all panchayats.</li> <li>• Formation of Youth Clubs in every Panchayat</li> <li>• Youth Clubs set up in all Panchayats of 13 districts</li> </ul>
<b>'Stop Diarrhoea' campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: 1 July – 15 August 2025</li> <li>• Launch: Health Minister Gajendra Singh Kheenvsar, Jaipur</li> <li>• Objective: Prevention and management of diarrhoea disease</li> <li>• Theme: "Diarrhoea ki Roktham, Safai aur ORS se rakhen apna dhyaan"</li> <li>• ORS &amp; Zinc distribution by Asha Sahyogini</li> <li>• ORS–Zinc Corner in Hospital/Anganwadi</li> </ul>
<b>NREGA Akhar campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Begins: 10 July 2025, Jaipur District Administration</li> <li>• Objective: Basic literacy to NREGA workers</li> <li>• Component: Literacy, Signature Knowledge, Financial &amp; Digital Literacy</li> </ul>
<b>"Nikshay Poshan Kit Distribution Campaign"</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: 27–31 July 2025</li> <li>• Objective: To provide nutritious food to TB patients</li> <li>- Encouraging registration of new associates on Nikshay Mitra portal</li> </ul>
<b>Santripti Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: 1 July – 30 September 2025</li> <li>• Organizer: Ministry of Finance (DFS), Government of India</li> <li>• In collaboration with the State Government and Rajasthan Gramin Bank in Rajasthan.</li> <li>• Objective: Universal access to PMJDY, PMJJBY, PMSBY, APY</li> <li>• Target: Coverage to all Gram Panchayats (GPs) and Urban Bodies (ULBs)</li> </ul>
<b>Dharti Aba Janjati Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (State Level Launch)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched: 16 June 2025, Kotra Block (Udaipur)</li> <li>• Launcher: Tribal Development Minister Babulal Kharadi</li> <li>• Objective: Holistic Development of Tribal Areas</li> <li>• Coverage: 37 districts, 207 development blocks, 6,019 villages</li> <li>• Duration: up to 15 July 2025</li> <li>• Joint camps by 18 departments at Gram Panchayat level</li> <li>• Focus: Infrastructure, Sustainable Agriculture, Water Management, Women-Youth Empowerment, Preservation of Tribal Culture</li> </ul>
<b>Vande Ganga Jal Sanrakshan Jan Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 5 June 2025, Keshoraipatan (Bundi)</li> <li>• Duration: 5–20 June 2025, in all 41 districts</li> <li>• Tagline: ""Respect water, take care of life"</li> <li>• Nodal Agency: Department of Watershed Development and Soil Conservation</li> <li>• Objectives: Restoration of water bodies, reduction of pollution, ground water recharge, water conservation and behaviour change</li> <li>• Works: Reservoir Rejuvenation, Dam/Anicut/Canal Repair, Irrigation Capacity Enhancement, Flood Control</li> </ul>
<b>"Aapno Gaon – Saaf Suthro Gaon" campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 13 June 2025</li> <li>• Start Place: Morak Village, Ramganjmandi (Kota)</li> <li>• Objective: Complete rural sanitation by implementing Swachh Bharat Mission at the grassroots level.</li> </ul>
<b>'Har Khet Ko Pani' campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Central assistance of ₹16.50 crore approved under PMKSY</li> </ul>

<b>(assistance from the Centre)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 84 RRR Programmes (Repair, Renovation &amp; Restoration)</li> <li>• Districts: Kota, Bundi, Tonk</li> <li>• Benefits: 4,404 hectares of irrigated land reused</li> <li>• Financial Partnership: Centre: State = 60 : 40</li> </ul>
<b>'Sukalp' campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operations: Sukrupa Empower India Foundation (in collaboration with Government and Social Organizations)</li> <li>• Objective: Digital literacy of slum children, especially girl child</li> <li>• Awareness on social issues such as child marriage</li> <li>• College/University Education Opportunities for Economically Weaker Students</li> </ul>
<b>'From Self-Empowerment to National Empowerment' Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 16 March 2025, Jaipur</li> <li>• Operations: Brahma Kumaris (Security &amp; Service Wing)</li> <li>• Objective: To mentally empower the security forces</li> </ul>
<b>'Karmabhoomi se Mathrubhumi' campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Construction of recharge shafts in rural areas with the help of Bhamashahs and migrant Rajasthanis</li> <li>• Objectives: Groundwater level improvement, surface water harvesting, domestic and agricultural water availability</li> <li>• Inspired by the 'Catch the Rain' concept</li> <li>• Districts: Sirohi, Pali, Jodhpur, Bhilwara, Jhunjhunu, Jaipur</li> <li>• Financial support through crowd funding and CSR funding</li> </ul>
<b>Ladesar Expedition</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiatives of Jaipur District Administration</li> <li>• Start: 14 January 2025</li> <li>• Objective: Improving the condition of malnourished and severely malnourished children</li> <li>• Monitoring the nutrition of underweight and ultra-low weight children</li> </ul>
<b>Suposhit Maa Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phase 3: 3 January 2025, Kota</li> <li>• Objective: Nutrition and health protection of pregnant women</li> <li>• Beneficiaries: 1500 pregnant women</li> <li>• 125 kg Nutrition Kit (Ghee, Flour, Lentils, Jaggery, Groundnut, Dates, Oil etc.)</li> <li>• Services: Monthly nutrition kits, free medicines, vaccinations, medical consultations</li> <li>• 1 lakh kits to 15,000 pregnant women in the first two phases</li> </ul>
<b>Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiatives of Ministry of Agriculture, Government of India</li> <li>• Duration: 29 May – 12 June 2025</li> <li>• National Launch: Puri (Odisha), Minister Shivraj Singh Chouhan</li> <li>• Rajasthan Launch: Gram Panchayat Ralawata (Ajmer)</li> <li>• Interaction by scientists with farmers from village to village</li> <li>• Participation: 731 KVK, 113 ICAR Institutes</li> <li>• Objective: Information on Kharif technology, natural farming, soil health, ICT and government schemes</li> </ul>
<b>Mental Health Awareness Program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 17 May 2025</li> <li>• Event: In collaboration with Rajasthan Youth Board and UNICEF</li> <li>• Online in three phases (May 17, 24, 31 )</li> <li>• Communicate with 10,000+ children</li> </ul>

<b>Financial Inclusion and Social Security Campaign</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: 1 July – 30 September 2025</li> <li>• As directed by the Department of Financial Services (Government of India)</li> <li>• Objective: Access to banking, insurance and pension services up to the Gram Panchayat level.</li> <li>• At least one special camp (mainly on Saturdays) in each Gram Panchayat</li> </ul>
<b>"Babul ki bitiya Campaign"</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiator: Pratapgarh Collector Dr. Anjali Rajoria</li> <li>• Objective: To give a self-reliant and dignified life to single women by providing administrative assistance</li> <li>• Special survey teams will be formed at the Gram Panchayat level to identify pensioners and eligible but deprived single women.</li> </ul>
<b>Sankalp Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Location: Dungarpur District</li> <li>• Objective: Reduce infant mortality rate and ensure safe delivery services</li> <li>• Operations: National Health Mission (NHM), Rajasthan</li> <li>• Collaboration: ICMR, Bill &amp; Melinda Gates Foundation and other developmental agencies</li> </ul>
<b>Neev – Ladkiyan bhaage sabse aagey' programme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Baran District Administration</li> <li>• Under Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao campaign</li> <li>• Objective: Physical, mental and social development of girls</li> <li>• Operations: Our Lado Foundation</li> <li>• 10 weeks of special training to girls of classes 6, 7, 8</li> </ul>
<b>TB Mukht Gram Panchayat Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Operations: State Tuberculosis Department, Rajasthan</li> <li>• Duration: up to 24 March 2025</li> <li>• Objective: TB eradication, timely detection, treatment and prevention</li> <li>• Key Indicators: Suspected Screening (30+/1000), Notification Rate (&lt;1/1000), Treatment Success (85%), DST (60%), Nikshay Poshan &amp; Nikshay Mitra Labh (100%)</li> </ul>
<b>Mukhyamantri Shikshit Rajasthan Abhiyan (MSRA)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective: To make Rajasthan a model state under NEP 2020</li> <li>• Increase enrollment and improve quality of education in government schools</li> <li>• Includes 185 out of 202 functions of NEP</li> <li>• Implementation by dividing the tasks into 4 major areas</li> </ul>
<b>'Meri Policy Mere Hands' Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 4 February 2025</li> <li>• Under Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana</li> <li>• Duration: February 5 – March 15, 2025</li> <li>• Policy distribution in camps at Gram Panchayat headquarters</li> <li>• Awareness through Kisan Pathshala</li> </ul>

## Bills, Ordinances and Rules related to Rajasthan

Subject	Key Points
<b>Rajasthan Jan Vishwas (Amendment of Provisions) Ordinance-2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gazette Notification: 12 December 2025 (Department of Law)</li> <li>• On the lines of the Jan Vishwas Act-2023 (Centre) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Criminal provisions removed from 11 Acts</li> <li>- Objective: Decriminalize minor violations, fine by removal of imprisonment, reduction in litigation</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<p><b>Rajasthan Forest Act-1953 (Amendment)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First 6 months imprisonment/₹500 fine for grazing cattle in forest land</li> <li>• Now the imprisonment is removed, only the fine</li> <li>• Mandatory compensation for forest damage</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rajasthan State Aid (Industries) Act-1961</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First imprisonment for non-submission of documents/books of accounts</li> <li>• Now only monetary penalties (minor procedural violations)</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rajasthan Water Supply and Drainage Board Act-2018</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First imprisonment for wastage of water, misuse, illegal connection, sewerage obstruction</li> <li>• Now only monetary penalties in all these cases</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rajasthan Shops and Commercial Establishments (Amendment) Ordinance-2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum age of work increased from 12 to 14 years</li> <li>• Adolescents aged 14-18 years are prohibited from working night shifts.</li> <li>• First Night Work Age 12-15 years</li> <li>• Applicable from 18th December 2025 across Rajasthan</li> <li>• Governor Haribhau Bagde's approval</li> </ul> <p><b>Working Duration &amp; Rest Rules</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adolescent working age: 12-15 → 14-18 years</li> <li>• Maximum work: 3 hours/day (as is)</li> <li>• Consistent working range: 5 hours → 6 hours</li> <li>• 30 minutes of rest mandatory</li> <li>• The ordinance was brought in due to lack of assembly session</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rajasthan Honour of Dead Body Act (Rules applicable)</b></p>	<p><b>Act Passed: 20 July 2023</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Governor's Approval: 17 August 2023, Notification: 18 August 2023</li> <li>• Displaying a dead body is a punishable legal offence.</li> <li>• If the funeral is not done within 24 hours, the police will be able to conduct the last rites</li> <li>• Rajasthan is the first state to enact such a law</li> </ul> <p><b>Honour of Dead Bodies Act: Penal provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-possession of the body: Punishment up to 1 year/fine/both</li> <li>• Display by family members: Up to 2 years in jail/fine</li> <li>• Display by other person: 6 months-5 years imprisonment</li> <li>• Genetic data privacy violation: 3-10 years sentence</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rajasthan Shops and Commercial Establishments (Amendment) Ordinance, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strictness on child labour, ban on employment of underage children</li> <li>• Minimum age of trainee 12 to 14 years</li> <li>• Adolescents in the age group of 14-18 years will not be able to work in night shifts</li> <li>• Daily working duration increased from 9 to 10 hours</li> <li>• Overtime limit 144 hours per quarter</li> <li>• Aim to improve working conditions and increase productivity of workers</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Maharana Pratap Sports University Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Draft of 'The Maharana Pratap Sports University Jaipur Bill-2025' approved</li> <li>- The announcement was made in the Budget 2024-25</li> <li>• Objective: Promotion of sports and physical education</li> <li>• Scientific training with modern equipment</li> <li>• Research in sports science, technology and performance analytics</li> <li>• Serves as a Centre of Excellence for Sports</li> </ul>

<p><b>The Rajasthan Prohibition of Religious Conversion Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by voice vote in the Assembly on September 9</li> <li>• Objective: Prevention of religious conversion through deceit, deception and illegal means</li> </ul> <p><b>Conversion of Religion Bill – Major Penal Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simple fraud: 7–14 years imprisonment + fine up to ₹5 lakh</li> <li>• Minor / Female/SC-ST/PwD: 10–20 years + ₹10 lakh minimum</li> <li>• Mass Conversion: 20 years to lifetime + ₹25 lakh minimum</li> <li>• Conversion from foreign/illegal funds: 10–20 years + ₹20 lakh</li> <li>• By Threat/Bluff/Marriage: 20 Years to Lifetime + ₹30 Lakh</li> <li>• Re-offense: 20 years to life + ₹50 lakh</li> </ul> <p><b>Conversion – Other Important Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Used assets can be confiscated</li> <li>• Such marriages can be annulled by the court</li> <li>• Mandatory notification to DM/ADM 90 days before conversion</li> <li>• Non-intimation: 7–10 years + ₹3 lakh</li> <li>• Mandatory 2 months advance notice to the Dharmacharya</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Rajasthan Land Revenue (Amendment and Validation) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simplified process of management and regulation of plots under RIICO - Amendments to the Rajasthan Land Revenue Act, 1956</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The plots given to RIICO by the state government will be considered valid</li> <li>• RIICO will be able to regulate land</li> <li>• Not applicable to leases cancelled on or before September 18, 1979</li> </ul> <p><b>Rajasthan Ground Water (Conservation and Management) Authority Bill, 2024</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by voice vote on September 10</li> <li>• Objectives: Ground water conservation, recharge, proper use and management</li> </ul> <p><b>Ground Water Authority – Structure and Functions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State Level Authorities and District Level Committees</li> <li>• Chairman &amp; Members selected on the basis of technical proficiency</li> <li>• There will be 2 MLA members</li> <li>• Groundwater data, reports and monitoring systems developed</li> </ul> <p><b>Ground Water Bill – Penal Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Action against drilling/excavation without permission.</li> <li>• Imprisonment up to 6 months or a fine of ₹1 lakh or both</li> <li>• First Offence: ₹50 Thousand</li> <li>• Re-offense: 6 months imprisonment or ₹1 lakh</li> <li>• Penalty for repeated violations up to 5 times</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Rajasthan Fisheries (Amendment) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by the Assembly on September 8</li> <li>• Major increase in penalties for fishing offences</li> </ul> <p><b>Fisheries Bill – Penal Amendment</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First offense: ₹500 → ₹25,000</li> <li>• Second offence: ₹1,000 → ₹50,000 + 6 months imprisonment</li> <li>• The same penalty will be applied to every crime in the future.</li> </ul> <p><b>Action on Fishing Offences</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fisheries Director authorized to take action</li> <li>• Penalty in Section 11 increased from ₹100 to ₹25,000</li> </ul>

<p><b>Rajasthan Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS), Jaipur Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget 2024–25 announces upgradation of RUHS to RIMS on the lines of AIIMS</li> <li>• Total cost: ₹750 crore (phased)</li> </ul> <p><b>RIMS Key Features of</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Super specialty medical services available</li> <li>• Functions as an autonomous university</li> <li>• Degree/Diploma awarded under the NMC Act, 2019</li> <li>• Cardiology, Neurology, Gastro, Urology, Plastic Surgery, Endocrinology, Nephrology, CTVS, Transplant Unit etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Administrative Structure of RIMS</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief Secretary of the State Chairman</li> <li>• Formation of Governing Body and Financial Committee</li> <li>• Transparency in financial management</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Factories (Rajasthan Amendment) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendments to the Factories Act, 1948</li> </ul> <p><b>Factories Bill – Working Term Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Maximum attendance per day: 10 hours and 30 minutes</li> <li>• Non-interval work: 6 hours</li> <li>• Quarterly Overtime Limit: 75 → 144 hours</li> </ul> <p><b>Provisions related to women workers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Permission to work in night shifts with written consent</li> <li>• Women's Participation and Empowerment in the Workplace</li> </ul> <p><b>Factories Bill – Other Benefits</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Boost to industrial investment</li> <li>• Job creation</li> <li>• Increase in production and productivity</li> </ul> <p><b>Factories Bill – Additional Amendment Points</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Daily work duration: 9 → 10 hours</li> <li>• Pre-relaxation work: 5 → 6 hours</li> <li>• Total duration (work + rest): 10.5 → 12 hours</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Rajasthan Coaching Centres (Control and Regulation) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<p><b>Coaching Centres Bill – Registration and Penalty</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Minimum Number of Students: 50 → 100</li> <li>• First time penalty: ₹2 lakh → ₹50 thousand</li> <li>• Second time: ₹5 lakh → ₹2 lakh</li> <li>• Cancellation of registration on repeated violations</li> </ul> <p><b>Coaching Centre Bill – Student Welfare</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Psychological Counsellor Mandatory</li> <li>• Stress management sessions</li> <li>• Regular communication with family members</li> <li>• Helpline numbers in each district</li> </ul> <p><b>Coaching Centre – Control System</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Government registration of all institutions is mandatory.</li> <li>• Establishment of Rajasthan Coaching Centre Control and Regulation Authority at State Level</li> </ul>
<p><b>Rajasthan University of Health Sciences</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To upgrade RUHS on the lines of AIIMS Delhi</li> <li>• Establishment of RIMS in Jaipur</li> </ul>

<b>(Amendment) Ordinance, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functions as an autonomous institution</li> </ul>
<b>Rajasthan Democracy Fighters Honour Bill-2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed: 21 March 2025 (voice-over)</li> <li>• Emergency for the Democracy Fighters of 25 June 1975</li> <li>• ₹20,000 Monthly Pension + ₹4,000 Medical Assistance</li> <li>• Free transportation facility</li> <li>• Lifetime Honorarium to Spouse After Death</li> <li>• Eligibility: Rajasthan resident detained under MISA/Bharat Defence Rules/CrPC</li> </ul>

## Rules

Subject	Key Points
<b>Urban Areas Amended Rules, 2025</b>	<p>- 'Urban Areas (Permission and Allotment of Non-Agricultural Uses of Agricultural Land) Rules, 2012' renamed as Amended Rules, 2025</p> <p><b>Urban Areas Rules – Deadline Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The application must reach the concerned officer within 10 days.</li> <li>• Approval of agricultural to non-agricultural use mandatory within 30 days</li> <li>• If no decision is taken within 30 days, Deemed approval will be considered granted.</li> </ul> <p><b>Urban Areas Rules – Regions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jaipur, Jodhpur, Ajmer, Udaipur, Kota, Bharatpur, Bikaner Development Authority</li> <li>• Implemented in 14 UIT cities</li> </ul>
<b>Rajasthan Factories (Amendment) Rules, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval by the State Government</li> <li>• Permission for employment of women in factories of specific nature</li> </ul> <p><b>Factory Rules – Women Workers</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Women other than pregnant and lactating women will be able to work.</li> <li>• Prior restraint on hazardous activities removed.</li> </ul> <p><b>Factory Rules – Safety Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PPE mandatory (face shield, heat shield, mask, gloves, respiratory protective equipment)</li> <li>• Air quality monitoring and safety training mandatory</li> </ul>
<b>Amendments to the Civil Services (Pension) Rules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendment to the Rajasthan Civil Services (Pension) Rules, 1996</li> </ul> <p><b>Pension Rules – Parents</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rule 62(iv) has been removed</li> <li>• Parents of a deceased employee will be entitled to a pension benefit of up to 50%</li> </ul> <p><b>Pension Rules – Children with Disabilities</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rule 67 amended</li> <li>- Family pension to children with mental/physical disabilities even after marriage</li> </ul>
<b>Rajasthan Staff Selection Board – Service Rules</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two new rules approved by the Council of Ministers</li> </ul> <p><b>New service rules</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Rajasthan Staff Selection Board (Gazetted Staff) Service Rules, 2025</li> <li>2. Rajasthan Staff Selection Board (Ministerial and Subordinate Services) Rules, 2025</li> </ol> <p><b>Other related modifications</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service Rules for the first time since the formation of RSMSSB (2014)</li> <li>- Amendments to CET Rules, 2022 approved</li> </ul>

## Projects of Rajasthan

Subject	Description
<b>Pachpadra Refinery Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pachpadra, Balotra (HPCL &amp; Government of Rajasthan)</li> <li>• 9 MMTPA capacity; Inauguration January 2026; finance ratio 74:26; Revised cost Rs 79,459 crore.</li> </ul>
<b>JV company for power projects worth Rs 15,600 crore</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of Joint Venture between RVUNL and SCCL</li> <li>• Stake: RVUNL 26%, SCCL 74%</li> <li>• 9,600 crore to 800 MW coal-based thermal project (at mine site)</li> <li>• 1500 MW solar projects in Rajasthan worth Rs 6,000 crore</li> </ul>
<b>3200 MW Power Project in Rajasthan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval from the Empowered Committee of the Central Government</li> <li>• Coal based power projects</li> <li>• Investment: Approximately ₹40,000 crore</li> <li>• Helpful in the economic, social and technological development of the state.</li> </ul>
<b>6,000 MW Energy Storage Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Installation of Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)</li> <li>• Collection of renewable energy produced during the day for use at night</li> <li>• ₹2,00,800 crore MoUs with Central Undertakings</li> <li>• 4,895 MW Conventional and 38,343 MW Renewable Energy projects</li> </ul>
<b>Rajasthan Mandapam &amp; GCC Tower Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Project on 95 acres of RIICO's land in Jaipur</li> <li>• Components: Convention Centre, IT/GCC Tower, 5-Star &amp; 4-Star Hotels, Residential-Commercial Towers</li> <li>• Total cost: ₹3700 crore, State share: ₹635 crore</li> </ul>
<b>Ferozpur Feeder Reconstruction Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rajasthan-Punjab Joint Project</li> <li>• Objective: To strengthen the Gangnahar system and utilize excess water.</li> </ul> <p>Ferozpur Feeder – Financial Details</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total cost: ₹647.62 crore</li> <li>• Punjab: ₹379.12 crore (58.5%)</li> <li>• Rajasthan: ₹268.50 crore (41.5%)</li> </ul>
<b>Siliserh Drinking Water Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Foundation stone laid on</b> 19 May 2025</li> <li>• Cost: ₹23.27 crore</li> <li>• Drinking water supply from Siliserh to Alwar city will be augmented</li> </ul>
<b>Operation Cyber Shield</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: 2–31 January (across Rajasthan)</li> <li>• Objective: Cyber Security Awareness and Control of Cyber Crime</li> <li>• Information on how to prevent online fraud and identity theft</li> </ul>
<b>Operation Garima</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• By Jaipur Police Commissionerate</li> <li>• Objective: Safety of women in school, college, park, buses</li> <li>• Self-defence training to women and girls</li> </ul>

## Miscellaneous

### Interim report of 7th State Finance Commission submitted to Governor

- The Chairman, 7th State Finance Commission, Dr. Arun Chaturvedi presented the interim report of the State Finance Commission to Governor Shri Haribhau Bagde on 2nd September at Raj Bhavan, Jaipur.

#### 7th State Finance Commission

- **Chairman:** Arun Chaturvedi. (Cabinet Minister's Status)
- **Member Secretary of the Commission:** Naresh Kumar Thakral.
- This commission will determine the financial share to be allocated to Panchayats and urban local bodies from the state government's taxes and other revenues.

#### State Finance Commission

- It is a constitutional institution. (Mentions: in Article 243I and Article 243Y)
- The Governor of the State constitutes a Finance Commission to review the financial position of the Panchayats after every 5 years.
- Rajasthan has so far constituted 7 Finance Commissions.

- The Cabinet approved **the creation of a new department for migrant** Rajasthanis.
- In this, the State Skill Policy was approved to prepare the youth for global competition.
  - According to this policy, the youth will be trained in special skills according to the industrial demand and will be prepared for global competition.
- Model Career Centers will **be set up at the divisional headquarters and information about skill training**, career counseling, internship and employment opportunities will be provided to the youth.
- Under the Rajasthan Voluntary Rural Education Service Rules, 2010, the designation of teachers appointed thereunder will now be Assistant Acharya, Associate Acharya, and Acharya instead of Lecturer.
- The Equal Opportunity Policy for Persons with Disabilities will be approved in all Departments, Offices, **Autonomous Bodies and State Meetings to be** applicable in institutions under the control of the Government. Special deserving persons will be exempted from rotational transfer as far as possible.

Subject	Key Points
<b>Jaipur, Jodhpur and Kota have one municipal corporation each</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of one municipal corporation instead of individual corporations</li> <li>• Total Municipal Bodies in Rajasthan: 309 (earlier 312)</li> <li>• Jaipur: 150 wards, Greater and Heritage Corporation abolished</li> <li>• Jodhpur and Kota: One corporation each with 100 wards</li> </ul>
<b>Azim Premji Scholarship</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective from session 2025-26</li> <li>• 35,000 girls ₹30,000 per annum</li> <li>• Objective: Access to higher education for girls</li> <li>• For girl students from economically weaker sections</li> <li>• Passed class 10 and 12 from government school</li> </ul>
<b>Rajasthan Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upgradation of RUHS to establish RIMS in Jaipur</li> <li>• Institutes on the lines of AIIMS Delhi</li> <li>• Chairman: Chief Secretary, Operations: Director</li> </ul>
<b>Rajasthan International Centre (RIC)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reconstituted Governing Board and Executive Committee</li> <li>• Operations under "RIC Jaipur Society"</li> <li>RIC Governing Board Structure                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairman: Chief Secretary</li> <li>• 6 Government Members</li> <li>• 6 Members nominated by the State Government</li> <li>• RIC Director + 2 Representatives of RIC</li> </ul> </li> </ul>

<b>Pt. Deendayal Upadhyay Antyodaya Sambal Pakhwada</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: June 24 – July 9, 2025</li> <li>• Camps at Gram Panchayat level</li> <li>• Objective: Direct benefit of the schemes</li> </ul>
<b>Renaming of Rajiv Gandhi Shiksha Bhavan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New name: Punyashloka Devi Ahilyabai Holkar Bhawan</li> <li>• Functions: Student Service Centre, Vidya Samiksha, Central Assessment</li> </ul>
<b>Swamitva Scheme – Rajasthan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivery on 18th January 2025</li> <li>• 1.5 lakh cards and leases in Rajasthan</li> <li>• A total of 65 lakh property cards across the country</li> </ul>
<b>Allotment of land for Food Park</b>	<p><b>Food Park Location</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Anupgarh (Sriganganagar): Mini Food Park</li> <li>• Sanchore (Jalore): Agro Food Park</li> </ul>

## Rajasthan's Position in Central Schemes

### Rajasthan ranks first in 11 National Programmes/Schemes

- In the financial year 2024–25, Rajasthan secured the first position among 11 national programs/schemes.
- Apart from this, the state performed strongly at the national level by securing the second position in 5 programs and 3rd in 9 programs.

#### National Programmes/Schemes with First Place

1. **International Day of Yoga:** Rajasthan secured the first position in the country with the participation of 85,31,185 participants across 62,915 locations, according to the 'Yoga Sangam Portal' of the Union Ministry of Ayush.
2. **Organ Donation and Transplantation:** Rajasthan received the National Award and 1st position for the year 2025 as an emerging state in promoting organ donation and transplant services.
3. Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (in the rankings released in September 2025)
4. In Poshan Pakhwada 2025 and activities organized at Anganwadi Centres.
5. **Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana (Kharif 2025):** A total of 2.18 crore policies were issued.
6. Farmer Registry Scheme (Digital Initiatives in Agriculture Sector)
7. Swachhata Hi Seva Campaign-2025 (Swachh Bharat Mission-Grameen)
8. PM-KUSUM Scheme, Component A (Installation of Renewable / Solar Power Capacity)
9. Fit India Freedom Run – 2024
10. Viksit Bharat Sankalp Yatra
11. Ujjwala Yojana: 5.94 lakh new gas connections released.

#### National Programmes/Schemes with 2nd Position

1. **PM Vishwakarma Scheme:** In loan sanction and disbursement and programme implementation.
2. **Poshan Maah 2025:** Rajasthan stood second at the national level in the activities organized.
3. **Micro Irrigation (Drop More Crop):** In the year 2024-25, the state stood second by installing a micro irrigation system in 1.31 lakh hectares.
4. Rajasthan was awarded the National e-Governance Silver Award (2nd Place) for digitizing government processes.
5. **Har Ghar Tiranga Programme – 2025:** Rajasthan stood second nationally in the category of Volunteer Registration and Media Upload.

#### National Programmes/Schemes with Third Position

1. **PM-KUSUM Scheme ( Component B and Component C-FLS):** Rajasthan stood third in both the components.
2. **TB Free Gram Panchayat Campaign (2024):** Announcement of TB Free Panchayats.
3. **ACSM activities during the 100 days campaign:** The state stood third nationally in both these categories.
4. **Tobacco Free Youth Campaign 2.0:** Rajasthan adjudged Best Performing State.

5. **National Programme for Palliative Care:** The state was ranked third for outstanding contribution.
  6. **Ayushman Bharat (PM-JAY):** Rajasthan was the third state nationally in claim settlement and hospital empanelment during 2024–25 as well.
  7. **One District-One Product (ODOP):** The Department of Industries and Commerce bagged the Bronze Award (Third Place) in the Implementation category.
  8. **Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari Abhiyan 1.0: Rajasthan ranked third in 2025** in this campaign of Panchayati Raj Department.
- **Note:** Rajasthan received the Best Performer State award in the Central Government's LEADS Report 2024, making the state a leader in improving logistical efficiency.
  - **Note: Rajasthan was awarded as the Best Performing State for its remarkable work under the "Dharti Aba Janbhagidari Abhiyan".**

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## Chief Minister's announcements on Finance and Appropriation Bill discussion (March 12, 2025)

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- An untied fund of Rs 1 crore will be provided to each district collector under **Summer Contingency for immediate solution to the drinking water related problem arising in any area of Rajasthan.**

### Tourism, Art & Culture:

- The 'Bharat Aur Rajasthan Pehchan Tour Program' will be launched to introduce the residents of the state, especially the youth, to the glorious culture, heritage and religious, **cultural and historical places** of the country.
- In the future, 'Rajasthan Day' will be celebrated on Chaitra Shukla Pratipada in the state.
- A panorama of Sant Sadaram Ji Maharaj will be constructed in Guhra (Jaisalmer) of Rajasthan.

### Youth Development and Welfare:

#### "Chief Minister's Youth Employment Incentive Scheme"

- Under this, a one-time assistance of Rs. 10,000 will be provided to those youth who get jobs in the organized private sector for the first time.
- Eligibility: Monthly salary up to Rs 50,000.
- **'Centre for Advanced Skilling and Career Counselling'** will be set up at the divisional level in Rajasthan.
  - These centres will be set up in Jaipur, **Bharatpur and Udaipur in the coming year.** (Budget: Rs 100 crore)
- In order to provide vocational training to the youth of Rajasthan to get employment, the youth will be given a **stipend of Rs 6,000 per month** in place of unemployment allowance **for joining the Prime Minister's Internship Program or National Apprenticeship Program.**
- The "Mukhyamantri Shiksha Rajasthan **Abhiyan**" (**MSRA**) **will be launched in Rajasthan from the upcoming academic session.**
  - **Objective:** To ensure access to education for all children, to speed up the implementation of the New Education Policy (NEP), to provide better quality education in schools.
- The on-demand examination system will be introduced under '**Rajasthan State Open School**'.
  - **Objective: To provide proper facilities for educating boys and girls coming from disadvantaged sections, labourers and labourer families.**
- Adarsh Ved Vidyalaya will also be set up at Taratara Math, Gomrakh Dham-Barmer on the lines of **Adarsh Ved Awasiya Vidyalaya, Raiwasa-Sikar**.
- A residential school for nomadic pastoralists will be opened in Rajsamand.
- A '**Directorate of Sports**' **will be set up in the state.**
  - **Objective:** To provide all the necessary sports related facilities to the youth of Rajasthan.

### Medical & Health:

- The Thalassemia Center **with state-of-the-art facilities for the treatment of children suffering from Thalassemia** disease will be established under the Rajasthan Institute of Medical Sciences (RIMS).
  - Apart from this, prevention and control programs will be run for the prevention of thalassemia.
- A Stroke Interventional and Rehabilitation Unit **will be set up at SMS Hospital, Jaipur** .

### Social Security:

- '**Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Garibi Mukta Gaon Yojana**' will be launched.
  - **Objective:** To realize the vision of "Poverty Free Rajasthan".
  - Under this, all BPL families of identified villages will be brought above the poverty line in a phased manner.
  - The scheme will be implemented in 5,000 villages in the first phase.
  - Budget: Rs 300 crore.
- The number of scooters will be increased from 2,000 to 2,500 to provide support to young differently-abled.
- Under the Lado incentive scheme, the amount of savings bonds of Rs 1 lakh will be increased to **Rs 1.5 lakh**.
- Lakhpati Didi, Drone Didi, Solar Didi, Bank Sakhi, Krishi Sakhi and Pashu Sakhi, who are doing excellent work in the state, will be honored. For this, **10 women who have done excellent work on each block** will be honored and they will also be given tablets.
- A provision of Rs 450 crore will be made in the Devnarayan Fund for the upliftment and **MBC welfare** of the deprived sections in Rajasthan.

### Agriculture and Animal Husbandry:

- Rajasthan's first '**Centre of Excellence Indigenous Farm**' **will be set up in Pali for the protection and promotion of indigenous animals**.

### Green Growth:

- New conservation reserves will be set up in Mokhla Parewar-Jaisalmer and Buchara Main-Jaipur.
- A biological park will be set up in Bharatpur.
- The National Desert Park-Jaisalmer will have an area of 2,000 hectares under the protection of the state bird Godavan.

### Good Governance:

- The '**Rajasthan Civil Defence Act**' **will be brought to provide a safe environment to the common people in Rajasthan**.
- In order to develop the capacity of **financial management** and **legal research** among the youth and government employees **in the state**, the '**Center of Excellence for Legal Research and Application**' **will be set up under the National Law University, Jodhpur** and the Center for Economic Transformation and Financial **Management under the state government**.
- Rajasthan Digital Mission will be launched **to expand e-governance in the state and to engage experts for this**.
- A '**Ministerial Directorate**' **will be set up under the Department of Personnel to ensure speedy redressal of the problems of the Ministerial personnel and to increase their efficiency**.
- The Recreation Centre will be set up at HCM RIPA, **Jaipur**.
- In Rajasthan, the assistance amount given by the MLA to the non-governmental organization under the MLA LAD scheme will be increased from Rs 10 lakh to **Rs 25 lakh**.
- The State Administrative Unit Reorganization Advisory Committee will be formed for proper investigation and necessary action for the creation, demarcation and change in jurisdiction of important administrative units of Rajasthan such as sub-division, tehsil, sub-tehsil, girdawar circle, **Patwar division etc**.
- An '**Office Complex**' **will be set up at Lalkothi (Jaipur) for the state-level office** . (Budget: Rs 450 crore)

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## Announcements during the discussion of Rajasthan Budget 2025-2026

### Declarations of Smt. Diya Kumari on General Debate

#### (February 27, 2025)

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- An Industrial Park will be set up in Shahpura-Bhilwara and a Wood Park in Lalsot-Dausa.

#### **Tourism, Art & Culture:**

- A documentation scheme titled “**Sonth Maati Adivirohar Documentation Scheme**” will be launched to document tribal artists’ musical instruments, culinary traditions, faith-based dances, sites of historical importance, painting, mural art, wood and stone art, dance, and singing.

#### **Construction of Panorama**

- Tejaji Maharaj, Surpura-Ajmer
- Hadbuji Chain, Bhundel (Khinvsar)-Nagaur
- Shri Gogadev Ji Rathore, Sekhala-Jodhpur
- Khetlaji Temple Dham Sarangwas and Kubaji Maharaj Tirth-Desuri in Sumerpur (Pali) will be developed as tourist destinations.

#### **Green Growth:**

- In the next 2 years, 40 Plant Micro Reserves will be created for the conservation and promotion of Rare, Threatened, Endangered Species in high density and biodiversity forest areas . (Rs 16 crore)

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## 16th Legislative Assembly of Rajasthan

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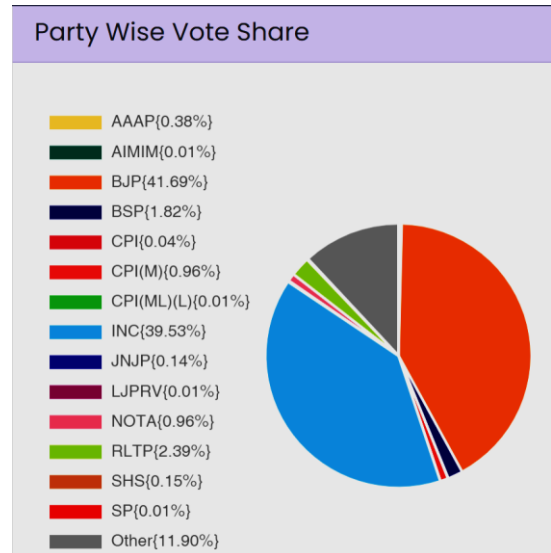
- The Election Commission of India announced the Rajasthan Assembly Elections 2023 on 9th October 2023.
- Note: The Model Code of Conduct comes into force in a State as soon as elections are announced.
- The nomination process in Rajasthan was scheduled from October 30 to November 6, 2023.
- The number of assembly seats in Rajasthan is currently 200.
- Polling for 199 seats in Rajasthan was held in 1 phase on 25th November 2023.
- The election for one seat was postponed due to the demise of Congress candidate Gurmeersingh Kunnar from the Srikaranpur Assembly constituency of Sri Ganganagar district.
- The voter turnout in the Rajasthan Assembly Election 2023 was 75.45%, which was 0.73% higher than the previous Assembly Election 2018.
- A total of 3.92 crore votes were cast from EVMs in the Rajasthan Assembly Elections 2023. This is 30.26 lakh votes more than the 2018 assembly elections .
- In Rajasthan, 1.88 crore women and 2.04 crore men voted, while the number of votes of the transgender community was 348.
- In Rajasthan, 74.62% voting was done through ballots while 0.83% was done through postal ballots.
- In Rajasthan, 74.53% of males and 74.72% of females voted.
- The voting percentage of NOTA in Rajasthan was 0.96%.
- The highest voting percentage in Rajasthan was recorded in Kushalgarh assembly constituency (88.13%).
- The lowest voting percentage in Rajasthan was recorded in Ahor assembly constituency (61.24%).
- The highest voting percentage of women in Rajasthan was recorded in Pokhran assembly constituency (88.23%).
- The lowest voting percentage of women in Rajasthan was recorded in Jodhpur assembly constituency (62.97%).
- In Rajasthan, the highest increase in voter turnout was recorded in Baseri Assembly constituency. (9.6%)
- In Rajasthan, Phalodi Assembly constituency recorded the highest voter turnout. (7.15%)

- The state's highest polling booth in Rajasthan was built in Shergaon, Mount Abu (Sirohi).
- In Rajasthan, the voter turnout in rural areas was 75.68% while the voting in urban areas was 71.23%.
- In Rajasthan, the highest turnout in rural areas was 84.32 per cent in Banswara district while the highest turnout in urban areas was 76.65 per cent in Hanumangarh district.
- The current Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) of Rajasthan is Naveen Mahajan.
- Counting of votes in Rajasthan was conducted on 3rd December 2023.

**Rajasthan Assembly Election 2023 (16th Assembly) Results**

Political Parties	Seats
Bharatiya Janata Party	115
Indian National Congress	69
Bharatiya Tribal Party	4
Bahujan Samaj Party	2
National Democratic Party	1
Rashtriya Lok Dal	1
Independent	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>

Political Parties	Vote Percentage
Bharatiya Janata Party	41.69%
Indian National Congress	39.53%
Bahujan Samaj Party	1.82%
National Democratic Party	2.39%
Independent	11.90%
NOTA	0.96%



**Current Status of Rajasthan Legislative Assembly (as of December 2025)**

Political Parties	Seats
Bharatiya Janata Party	118
Indian National Congress	67
Bharat Adivasi Party	4
Bahujan Samaj Party	2
Rashtriya Lok Dal	1
Independent	8
<b>Total</b>	<b>200</b>

- Highest number of votes won in Rajasthan: Diya Kumari (BJP) (Vidyadhar Nagar, Jaipur) (71,368 votes)
- MLA who won with the lowest margin in Rajasthan: Hansraj Patel (BJP) (Kotputli, Kotputli-Behror district) (321 votes)
- Youngest MLA of Rajasthan: Ravinder Singh Bhati (Independent) (25 years) (Shiv, Barmer)
- Oldest MLA in Rajasthan: Deepchand Khairia (Congress) (83 years) (Kishangarh Bass)
- Hari Mohan Sharma (Congress) (83 years) (Bundi)
- In the Rajasthan Assembly elections, 8 MPs (7 BJP + 1 Rashtriya Loktantrik Party) contested the elections, out of which 5 MPs won.
- In the Rajasthan Legislative Assembly elections 2023, a total of 20 women MLAs were elected (including 9 from the BJP, 9 from the Congress, and 2 Independents). Thus, women legislators constitute 10% of the total Assembly seats.
- Out of the 20 women MLAs in the state, 7 have been elected from Scheduled Caste reserved seats and 2 from Scheduled Tribe reserved seats. Among the Independent women MLAs, Dr. Ritu Banawat and Dr. Piyanka Chaudhary are included.
- In Rajasthan, the senior-most MLA on the basis of election is Kalicharan Saraf (Malviya Nagar, Jaipur) (8th time MLA).

- In the Rajasthan Assembly Elections 2023, 28 MLAs are below 40 years of age. Of these, 13 MLAs are from the Congress , 10 from the Bharatiya Janata Party , 3 from the Bharat Adivasi Party and 2 Independents.
- Out of the 200 seats in the Rajasthan Assembly, 34 seats are reserved for Scheduled Castes (SCs) and 25 seats for Scheduled Tribes (STs) i.e. 59 seats have been reserved out of the total assembly seats of Rajasthan .
- Out of the 25 Lok Sabha seats in Rajasthan, 4 seats are reserved for Scheduled Castes (SC) and 3 seats for Scheduled Tribes (STs) i.e. 7 seats have been reserved out of the total Lok Sabha seats in Rajasthan .
- In the Rajasthan Assembly Elections 2023, 614 voters of the third gender were registered. Of these, 348 voted.
- The highest number of voters in the Rajasthan Assembly Elections 2023 were in the age group of 41-60 years. (1.61 crore) while the minimum number of voters was in the age group of 18-19 years. (22.61 lakh)
- The Bharatiya Janata Party won 163 seats in the 2013 Rajasthan Assembly elections (14th assembly elections). This was the highest number of seats in the history of Rajasthan since Independence.
- For the first time in Rajasthan, VVPAT was used in the Assembly elections 2018 (15th Assembly elections). Its full form is Voter Verified Paper Audit Trail. In order to maintain complete fairness in voting in the State, the mandatory verification system was implemented by the Election Commission of India.
- In the 2013 Rajasthan Assembly Elections (14th Assembly Election), for the first time, the NOTA button was added in the EVM. Its full form is None Of The Above. This is the last button of the EVM. It is pink in color.
- In the 2013 Rajasthan Assembly Elections, the Election Commission distributed voter slips to voters for the first time. It was recognized as a voter ID for voting.
- The current State Election Commissioner of Rajasthan (SEC) is Mr. Rajeshwar Singh.

#### **'Vote from Home' initiative**

- For the first time in Rajasthan, the 'Vote from Home' initiative was launched.
- Under this, provision was made for the facility of voting from home to the specially abled people above 80 years of age and more than 40% disabled category in the state.

#### **c-VIGIL App**

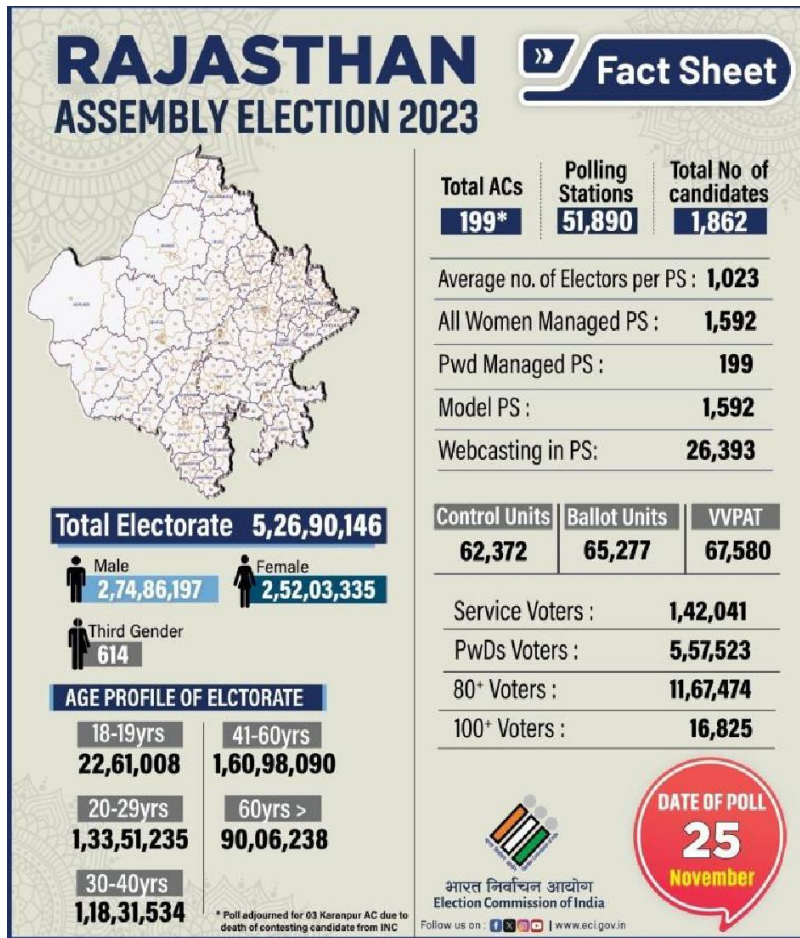
- It was developed by the Election Commission.
- Under this provision, complaints regarding irregularities or malpractice in elections can be filed.

#### **SVEEP Program**

- Full Form: Systematic Voter's Education and Electoral Participation
- Under this, information is provided to the citizens about the election process.
- It aims to increase awareness and participation among voters.

#### **Efforts made by ECI to encourage voters**

- The Election Commission of India has launched a comic book titled Comic Book Chacha Chaudhary and Chuna Dangalai to educate and motivate young voters.
- It is a joint initiative of the Election Commission of India and Pran Comics.
- Famous cricketer Sachin Tendulkar was appointed as a National Icon by the Election Commission of India to motivate people to vote.



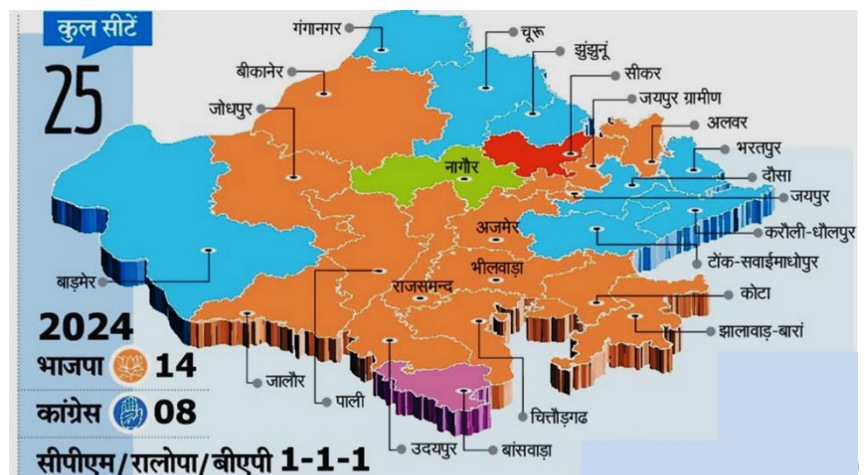
### Rajasthan in 18th Lok Sabha

Political Parties	Seats
Bharatiya Janata Party	14
Indian National Congress	8
Communist Party of India (Marxist)	1
National Democratic Party	1
Bharat Adivasi Party	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>25</b>

- Rajasthan currently has 3 women MPs in the 18th Lok Sabha.
  1. Sanjana Jatav (Bharatpur) (Indian National Congress)
  2. Smt. Manju Sharma (Jaipur) (Bharatiya Janata Party)
  3. Smt. Mahima Kumari Mewar (Rajsamand) (Bharatiya Janata Party)
- Largest win: Mrs. Mahima Kumar Mewar, Rajsamand (BJP) — 392,223 votes

- Smallest win: Mr. Rao Rajendra Singh, Jaipur Rural (BJP) — 1,615 votes
- Youngest MP from Rajasthan: Smt. Sanjana Jatav (Bharatpur) (26 years)
- Oldest MP from Rajasthan: Shri Brijendra Singh Ola (Jhunjhunu) (72 years)

### Vote Percentage



No.No.	Parliamentary Constituencies	MP	Political Parties
1.	Ajmer	Shri Bhagirath Choudhury	Bharatiya Janata Party
2.	Alwar	Shri Bhupender Yadav	Bharatiya Janata Party
3.	Banswara (ST)	Mr. Rajkumar Roth	Bharat Adivasi Party
4.	Barmer	Mr. Ummedaram Beniwal	Indian National Congress
5.	Bharatpur (SC)	Mrs. Sanjana Jatav	Indian National Congress
6.	Bhilwara	Shri Damodar Agarwal	Bharatiya Janata Party
7.	Bikaner (SC)	Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal	Bharatiya Janata Party
8.	Chittorgarh	Mr. Chandra Prakash Joshi	Bharatiya Janata Party
9.	Churu	Shri Rahul Kaswan	Indian National Congress
10.	Dausa (ST)	Shri Murari Lal Meena	Indian National Congress
11.	Sriganganagar (SC)	Mr. Kuldeep Indore	Indian National Congress
12.	Jaipur	Smt. Manju Sharma	Bharatiya Janata Party
13.	Jaipur Rural	Shri Rao Rajendra Singh	Bharatiya Janata Party
14.	Jalore	Mr. Lumbaram	Bharatiya Janata Party
15.	Jhalawar-Baran	Shri Dushyant Singh	Bharatiya Janata Party
16.	Jhunjhunu	Mr. Brijendra Singh Ola	Indian National Congress
17.	Jodhpur	Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat	Bharatiya Janata Party
18.	Karauli-Dholpur (SC)	Shri Bhajan Lal Jatav	Indian National Congress
19.	Kota	Shri Om Birla	Bharatiya Janata Party
20.	Nagaur	Shri Hanuman Beniwal	National Democratic Party
21.	Pali	Shri P.P. Chaudhary	Bharatiya Janata Party
22.	Rajsamand	SHRIMATI MAHIMA KUMARI MEWAR	Bharatiya Janata Party
23.	Sikar	Mr. Amarram	Communist Party of India (Marxist)
24.	Tonk - Sawai Madhopur	Shri Harish Chandra Meena	Indian National Congress
25.	Udaipur (ST)	Shri Manna Lal Rawat	Bharatiya Janata Party

- At present, the number of Lok Sabha seats in Rajasthan is 25.
- The number of Rajya Sabha seats in Rajasthan is 10.
- A total of 35 MPs are elected from Rajasthan.
- In Rajasthan, 4 seats are reserved for the Lok Sabha for the Scheduled Castes (SC) and 3 seats for the Scheduled Tribe (ST) category.

Reserved for Scheduled Castes (SCs)	Reserved for Scheduled Tribe (ST) category
1. Bharatpur 2. Bikaner 3. Sriganganagar 4. Karauli-Dholpur	1. Banswara 2. Dausa 3. Udaipur

- Shri Om Birla (Bharatiya Janata Party), Member of Parliament from Rajasthan, is currently the Speaker of the Lok Sabha.
- Om Birla is the first MP from Rajasthan to become the Speaker of the Lok Sabha for the second consecutive term.
- Note: Shri Balram Jakhar became the Speaker of Lok Sabha while being a Member of Parliament from Ferozepur (Punjab) and Sikar (Rajasthan).
- So far, two people from Rajasthan have become the Speaker of the Lok Sabha.
  1. Balram Jakhar (Sikar) (Longest term as Lok Sabha Speaker)
  2. Om Birla (Kota)

## Rajya Sabha MP from Rajasthan

S.No.	MP	party	period
1.	Shri Neeraj Dangi	Indian National Congress	22.06.2020 - 21.06.2026
2.	Shri Rajendra Gehlot	Bharatiya Janata Party	22.06.2020 - 21.06.2026
3.	Shri Ghanshyam Tiwari	Bharatiya Janata Party	05.07.2022 - 04.07.2028
4.	Shri Randeep Singh Surjewala	Indian National Congress	05.07.2022 - 04.07.2028
5.	Shri Mukul Balakrishna Wasnik	Indian National Congress	05.07.2022 - 04.07.2028
6.	Mr. Pramod Kumar	Indian National Congress	05.07.2022 - 04.07.2028
7.	Mr. Chunnilal Garasia	Bharatiya Janata Party	04.04.2024 - 03.04.2030
8.	Shri Madan Rathore	Bharatiya Janata Party	04.04.2024 - 03.04.2030
9.	Smt. Sonia Gandhi	Indian National Congress	04.04.2024 - 03.04.2030
10.	Shri Ravneet Singh	Bharatiya Janata Party	27.08.2024 - 21.06.2026

- At present, the Bharatiya Janata Party has 5 MPs in the Rajya Sabha and the Indian National Congress has 5 MPs.
- At present, only Sonia Gandhi has been elected to the Rajya Sabha from Rajasthan, thus the number of women MPs out of the total 35 elected MPs from Rajasthan is 4.

### Representation of Rajasthan in the Union Council of Ministers

- At present, there are 4 Ministers in the Central Government from Rajasthan, which includes 2 Cabinet Ministers, 1 Minister of State (Independent Charge) and 1 Minister of State.



**1. Shri Gajendra Singh Shekhawat (MP, Jodhpur)** (Minister for the third consecutive time at the Centre)

Union Ministry of Culture and Tourism (Cabinet Minister)

**2. Shri Bhupender Yadav (MP, Alwar)** (Minister for the second consecutive time at the Centre)

Union Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change (Cabinet Minister)

**3. Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal (MP, Bikaner)** (Minister for 3rd consecutive term at the Centre)

Ministry of Law & Justice (Minister of State (Independent Charge))

Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs (Minister of State)

**4. Shri Bhagirath Chaudhary (MP, Ajmer)** (First time Minister at the Centre)

Ministry of Agriculture & Farmers Welfare (Minister of State)

- Note: Ashwini Vaishnaw (originally from Jeevand Kalan village (Pali) in Rajasthan) is also a second cabinet minister at the Centre, but he is a Rajya Sabha MP from Odisha.
- **Note:** The Union Council of Ministers consists of 4 Ministers from the elected MPs from Rajasthan, while the Union Council of Ministers has 5 Ministers on the basis of the domicile of Rajasthan .

### Lok Sabha Elections in Rajasthan

- On March 16, the Election Commission announced the 2024 general elections, as well as the assembly elections in 4 states.
- The Lok Sabha elections in the country were held in 7 phases from April 19 to June 1, while the counting of votes was done on June 4.
- Apart from this, the Election Commission also announced assembly elections in Sikkim, Odisha, Andhra Pradesh and Arunachal Pradesh.
- There are 543 Lok Sabha seats in the country, of which 84 seats are reserved for Scheduled Castes and 47 seats for Scheduled Tribes.
- Elections to the 25 Lok Sabha seats in Rajasthan were held in two phases on April 19 and April 26 respectively .

- In the first phase, elections were held for 12 Lok Sabha seats in Rajasthan, while in the second phase, elections were held for 13 Lok Sabha seats.
- The overall voter turnout in Rajasthan in the first phase was 57.65%, while the overall voter turnout in the second phase was 65.03%.

Voter turnout in Rajasthan	
Total	61.53%
Male	62.27%
Female	60.72%
Other	53.03%

Voter turnout in Rajasthan		
	Maximum	Minimum
District	Barmer (75.93%)	Karauli-Dholpur (49.59%)
Male	Barmer (76.54%)	Karauli-Dholpur (51.25%)
Female	Banswara (75.75%)	Karauli-Dholpur (47.66%)
Other	Jaipur Rural (87.50%)	Barmer (22.22%)
Category of 18-19 years	Banswara (77.93%)	Karauli-Dholpur (47.44%)
Disabled	Banswara (84.93%)	Bharatpur (44.37%)

- The overall voting percentage of PwD voters in Rajasthan was 68.63%.
- In Rajasthan, the voting percentage of voters above 85 years of age was 57.8% and the voting percentage of those who voted from home in the state was 98.30%.
- The village with the highest voting percentage in Rajasthan was Bhagwanpura village in Bundi district, where 92.46% voting was recorded.
- Bhagwanpura village also ranked first in the Rajasthan Assembly elections 2023 with 97.04% voting.
- **Note: The** overall voter turnout in the 17th Lok Sabha elections held in Rajasthan in the year 2019 was 66.34%.

### Important facts about electoral rolls in Rajasthan

- The number of electors for the Lok Sabha General Election-2024 in Rajasthan has crossed 5.32 crore.
- Over 15.54 lakh first-time voters to vote in the state.
- The Chief Electoral Officer (CEO) in Rajasthan is Mr. Naveen Mahajan.
- There are 616 registered voters of the third gender in Rajasthan .
- The number of disabled and elderly voters has gone up to 5.73 lakh and 12.86 lakh respectively.
- As of the last publication of the electoral rolls in Rajasthan, 8th February 2024, the gender ratio in the electoral rolls has increased from 920 to 923.
- Voters in the 18–19 age group constitute 2.94% of the total registered electorate.
- In the last published lists in the State, Assembly Constituencies Sanganer (Jaipur) and Vidyadhar Nagar (Jaipur) have recorded the highest increase of 2% in the number of electors.
- In Rajasthan, the Jhotwara Assembly constituency of Jaipur has the highest number of registered voters with 4,37,479 voters .
- Kishanpole Assembly constituency of Jaipur in Rajasthan has the lowest voter turnout with 1,94,902 voters .
- The Jhotwara assembly constituency of Jaipur has the highest number of 2,10,464 women voters registered, while the lowest number of women voters are registered in Baseri at 93,096.

## Constitutional Officers

Post	Name
President (Supreme Commander)	Smt. Draupadi Murmu (15th)
Vice-president	Shri C. P. Radhakrishna (15th)
Prime minister	Shri Narendra Modi (15th)
Chief Justice of India	Shri K. Suryakant (53rd)
Attorney general	Shri R. Venkataramani (16th)
Chief Election Commissioner	Shri Gyanesh Kumar Gupta (26th)
Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG)	Shri K. Sanjay Murthy (15th)

## Parliamentary Officials

Post	Name
Chairman, Rajya Sabha	C. P. Radhakrishna
Vice-chairman, Rajya Sabha	Harivansh Narayan Singh
Leader of the House, Rajya Sabha	Dr. Jagat Prakash Nadda
Leader of the Opposition, Rajya Sabha	Mallikarjun Kharge
Secretary general, Rajya Sabha	Pramod Chandra Modi
Speaker, Lok Sabha (18th)	Om Birla
Leader of the House, Lok Sabha	Narendra Modi
Leader of the Opposition, Lok Sabha	Rahul Gandhi
Secretary general, Lok Sabha	Utpal Kumar Singh
Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee	K.C. Venugopal
Chairman of the Estimates Committee	Sanjay Jaiswal
Chairman of the Committee on Public Undertakings	Baijayant Panda

## Heads of Key Constitutional and Statutory Institutions

Lokpal of India (Second)	Ajay Manikrao Khanvilkar
Chief Election Commissioner of India - Gyanesh Kumar (Other Members: Vivek Joshi and Sukhbir Singh Sandhu)	
Chief Information Commissioner of India	Raj Kumar Goel (13th)
Central Vigilance Commissioner	Praveen Kumar Srivastava (19th)
Chairman, National Human Rights Commission	V. Ramasubramanian (9th)
Chairman, 16th Finance Commission	Arvind Panagariya
Chairman, National Commission for Scheduled Tribes	Antar Leo Arya
Chairman, National Commission for Backward Classes	Hansraj Gangaram Ahir
Chairman, National Commission for Scheduled Castes	Kishore Makwana
Chairman, National Commission for Minorities	(Iqbal Singh Lalpura -Retired)
Chairman, Union Public Service Commission	Dr. Ajay Kumar MD
Chairman, National Commission for Women	Vijaya Rahatkar
Chairman, National Commission for Protection of Child Rights	Shri Veleti Premchand
Chairman, Economic Advisory Council	Prof. S. Mahendra Dev
Head, National Security Council (NSC)	Prime Minister of India
National Security Adviser (NSA)	Ajit Doval
Chairman, National Security Advisory Board (NSAB)	Alok Joshi (east R&AW foremost)
Chief Scientific Advisor	Ajay Kumar Sood
Chief Economic Advisor	Dr. V. Ananth Nageswaran
Chairman, 23rd Law Commission	Dinesh Maheshwari
Solicitor General of India	Tushar Mehta
Director, Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)	Praveen Sood

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## Key Officers

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<b>Post</b>	<b>Name</b>
Cabinet Secretary	Dr. T.V. Somanathan
Foreign secretary	Vikram Misri
Home Secretary	Govind Mohan
Secretary of Defence	Rajesh Kumar
Director, Intelligence Bureau (IB)	Tapan Kumar Deka
Director general, Research and Analysis Wing (R&AW)	Parag Jain
National Investigation Agency (NIA)	Rakesh Agarwal
Enforcement Directorate (AND)	Rahul Naveen

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## NITI Aayog

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Chairperson, NITI Aayog	Prime Minister Narendra Modi
Deputy chairman, NITI Aayog	Dr. of Suman Bery
CEO, NITI Aayog	Shri BVR Subrahmanyam

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## Other Key Officers

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Governor, Reserve Bank of India (RBI)-Sanjay Malhotra (26th)
(RBI Deputy Governors: Swaminathan Janakiraman, T. Rabi Shankar, M. Shirish Chandra Murmu and Poonam Gupta)
Chairperson, Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI)-Anil Kumar Lahoti
Chairman & CEO, Railway Board - Satish Kumar
Chairperson, Securities and Exchange Board of India (YOURSELF) -Tuhin Kanta Pandey
Chairperson, Central Board of Direct Taxes (CBDT)-Ravi Agarwal
Chairperson, Central Board of Film Certification -Prasoon Joshi
Chairperson, Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE)-Rahul Singh
Director General, National Testing Agency (NTA) -Pradeep Singh Kharola
Chairperson, Staff Selection Commission (SSC)-S. Gopalakrishnan
Chairperson, Indian Space Research Organization (ISRO)-Dr. V. Narayanan MD
Chairperson, Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)-Sameer V Kamat
The Controller General of Accounts of India (CGA) -T. C. A. Kalyani (29th)
Chief Statistician of India-Dr. G.P. Samanta
director general, Indian Council of Medical Research (ICMR)-Rajiv Bahl
Chairperson, National Medical Commission (NMC) -Arijat Chandrakant Sheth
Chairperson, Competition Commission of India (CCI) -Ravneet Kaur
Chairperson, State Bank of India -Challa Srinivasulu Shetty
Chief Executive Officer, Unique Identification Authority of India-Bhuvnesh Kumar
Chief Executive Officer (CEO), Parliament TV-Amit Khare
Chairperson, National Bank for Agriculture and Rural Development (NABARD)-Shaji K. V.
Chief Hydrographer to the Government of India-Lochan Singh Pathania

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## Important facts about the states of India

<b>North-East</b>			
State/UT	Capital	Chief Minister	Governor/Administrator
Arunachal Pradesh	Itanagar	Pema Khandu	Kaivalya Trivikram Paranayak
Asam	Dispur	Himanta Biswa Sarma	Laxman Prasad Acharya
Manipur	Imphal	President's Rule	Ajay Kumar Bhalla
Meghalaya	Shillong	Conrad Sangma	C. H. Vijayashankar
Mizoram	Aizawl	Lalduhoma	V.K. Singh
Nagaland	Kohima	Neiphiu Rio	Ajay Kumar Bhalla (Additional Charge)
Sikkim	Gangtok	Prem Singh Tamang	Om Prakash Mathur
Tripura	Agartala	Manik Saha	Indrasena Reddy Nallu
<b>North India</b>			
State/UT	Capital	Chief Minister	Governor/Administrator
Himachal Pradesh	Shimla	Sukhwinder Singh Sukhu	Shiv Pratap Shukla
Uttarakhand	Dehradun/ Gairsain	Pushkar Singh Dhami	Lt Gen Gurmeet Singh
Punjab	Chandigarh	Bhagwant Singh Mann	Gulab Chand Kataria
Haryana	Chandigarh	Nayab Singh Saini	Asim Kumar Ghosh
Uttar Pradesh	Lucknow	Yogi Adityanath	Anandiben Patel
Jammu and Kashmir (UT)	Srinagar / Jammu	Omar Abdullah	Manoj Sinha
Chandigarh (UT)	Chandigarh	—	Gulab Chand Kataria
Delhi (NCT) (UT)	New Delhi	Rekha Gupta	Vinay Kumar Saxena
Ladakh (UT)	Leh	—	Kavinder Gupta
<b>East India</b>			
State/UT	Capital	Chief Minister	Governor/Administrator
Bihar	Patna	Nitish Kumar	Arif Mohammad Khan
Jharkhand	Ranchi	Hemant Soren	Santosh Kumar Gangwar
Odisha	Bhubaneswar	Mohan Charan Manjhi	Hari Babu Kambhampati
West Bengal	Kolkata	Mamata Banerjee	C.V. Anand Bose
<b>West India</b>			
State/UT	Capital	Chief Minister	Governor/Administrator
Gujarat	Gandhinagar	Bhupendrabhai Patel	Acharya Devvrat
Maharashtra	Mumbai	Devendra Fadnavis	Acharya Devvrat (Additional Charge)
Goa	Panaji	Pramod Sawant	Ashok Gajapathi Raju
Rajasthan	Jaipur	Bhajan Lal Sharma	Haribhau Bagde
Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu (UT)	Daman	—	Praful Patel
<b>South India</b>			
State/UT	Capital	Chief Minister	Governor/Administrator
Andhra Pradesh	Amravati	N. Chandrababu Naidu	S. Abdul Nazir
Telangana	Hyderabad	Revanth Reddy	Jishnu Dev Varma
Karnataka	Bengaluru	Siddaramaiah	Thawar Chand Gehlot
Kerala	Thiruvananthapuram	Pinarayi Vijayan	Rajendra Vishwanath Arlekar
Tamil Nadu	Chennai	M.K. Stalin	R.N. Ravi
Puducherry (UT)	Puducherry	N. Rangaswamy	K. Kailashnathan
<b>Central India</b>			

State/UT	Capital	Chief Minister	Governor/Administrator
Madhya Pradesh	Bhopal	Mohan Yadav	Mangubhai Chhaganbhai Patel
Chhattisgarh	Raipur	Vishnudev Sai	Ramen Deka
Island Union Territories			
State/UT	Capital	Chief Minister	Governor/Administrator
Andaman and Nicobar Islands (UT)	Sri Vijayapuram	—	Devendra Kumar Joshi
Lakshadweep (UT)	Kavaratti	—	Praful Patel

## Person in News

### Raj Kumar Goel sworn in as 13th Chief Information Commissioner of India

- Former IAS officer Raj Kumar Goel was sworn in as the 13th Chief Information Commissioner of the Central Information Commission (CIC) on 15th December 2025 before President Droupadi Murmu.
- He replaced former Chief Information Commissioner Hiralal Samariya.
- Raj Kumar Goel was a 1990 batch Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer.
- Initially belonging to the Jammu and Kashmir cadre and after 2019 joined the AGMUT cadre (Arunachal Pradesh, Goa, Mizoram and Union Territories).
- **Current Information Commissioners:** Anandi Ramalingam and Vinod Kumar Tiwari.
- Apart from this, 8 new Information Commissioners were also appointed:

No.	Name	Background/ Previous Post
1	<b>Jaya Varma Sinha</b>	Former Railway Board chief
2	Swagat Das	Former IPS officer
3	Sanjeev Kumar Jindal	Former officers of the Central Secretariat Service (CSS)
4	Surendra Singh Meena	Former IAS officer
5	Khushwant Singh Sethi	Former Indian Forest Service (IFS) Officers
6	P.R. Ramesh	Senior Journalist
7	Ashutosh Chaturvedi	Senior Journalist
8	<b>Sudha Rani Rilangi</b>	Former Indian Legal Service Officer

### Justice Surya Kant sworn in as 53rd Chief Justice of India

- President Droupadi Murmu administered the oath of office to Justice Surya Kant as the 53rd Chief Justice of India on November 24.
- He replaced Justice B.R. Gavai.
- His term will last until February 9, 2027 (approximately 14 months).
- **Note:** Justice Gavai is the second Dalit Chief Justice of India after Justice K.G. Balakrishnan (37th CJI of India).

#### Justice Surya Kant

- Born: 10 February 1962, Hisar (Haryana).
- On July 7, 2000, he became the youngest advocate general of Haryana.
- He was appointed as a Judge of the Punjab and Haryana High Court on January 9, 2004.
- He became the Chief Justice of the Himachal Pradesh High Court in October 2018.
- He was appointed as a judge of the Supreme Court on 24 May 2019.

#### Major Judicial Decisions

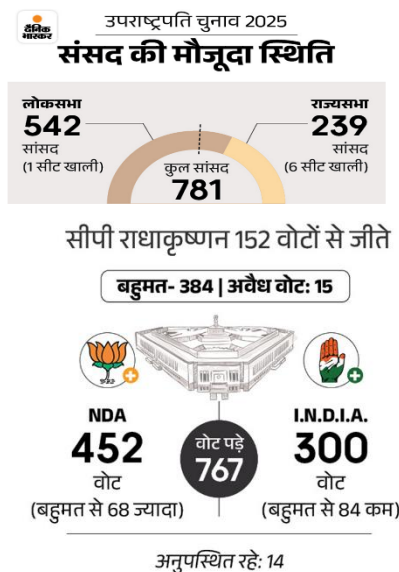
- Decision to abrogate Article 370.
- The bench declares the electoral bond scheme unconstitutional.
- Hearing on Pegasus spyware case and suspension of sedition law.

**C. P. Radhakrishnan sworn in as 15th Vice President of India**

- C. P. Radhakrishnan was elected as the 15th Vice President of India on 9 September 2025.
- He defeated the opposition candidate B. Sudarshan Reddy (senior advocate and former Supreme Court judge).
- The voter turnout in this election was 98.2%.
- C.P. Radhakrishnan is the third Vice President to be elected from Tamil Nadu.
- Before him, Dr. Sarvepalli Radhakrishnan and R. Venkataraman (former President and former Vice President) held this post.
- C.P. Radhakrishnan was part of the National Democratic Alliance.

**C.P. Radhakrishnan**

- His full name is Chandrapuram Ponnuswamy Radhakrishnan.
- He was born on 20 October 1957 in Tiruppur, Tamil Nadu.
- He belongs to the Vella OBC caste of Tamil Nadu.
- He won the Lok Sabha elections from Coimbatore in Tamil Nadu in 1998 and 1999.
- He has been the Governor of Maharashtra and Jharkhand.



**Rajiv Gauba appointed as full-time member of NITI Aayog**

- The Government of India has appointed former Cabinet Secretary Rajiv Gauba as a full-time member of the NITI Aayog.
- His appointment has come into effect with immediate effect.
- He is an IAS officer of the 1982 batch, Jharkhand cadre.
- Served as the Cabinet Secretary to the Government of India from August 2019 to August 2024.
- Prior to this, he has also served as Union Home Secretary and Secretary of the Ministry of Urban Development.
- He also served as the Chief Secretary of the State of Jharkhand.

**Current Structure of NITI Aayog**

Post	Name/position
Head	Prime Minister of India
Deputy chairman	Dr. Suman Berry, MD
Full-time Member	1. Dr. Vijay Kumar Saraswat 2. Prof. Ramesh Chand 3. Dr. Vinod Paul 4. Rajiv Gauba (newly appointed)
Part-time Member	Leading academics, experts and researchers
Chief Executive Officer (CEO)	B. V. R. Subrahmanyam
Special Invitee Members	Policy experts invited by the central government
Governing Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Chief Ministers of all states</li> <li>● Lieutenant Governor of Union Territories</li> <li>● Some Union Ministers</li> </ul>

**Shri Narendra Modi has reached second place in terms of serving continuously as the Prime Minister of the country**

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi surpassed Indira Gandhi's record of 4077 days by being in office continuously for 4078 days.
- He has now become the second person to hold the post of Prime Minister for the longest time after Jawaharlal Nehru (6126 days).



- Narendra Modi is the first non-Congress Prime Minister to win 3 consecutive Lok Sabha elections (2014, 2019, 2024).
- He has led the government for 24 years as the Chief Minister of Gujarat and the Prime Minister of India .
- He is the first Prime Minister since Indira Gandhi (1971) to be re-elected with an absolute majority.
- **Note:** Prime Minister Narendra Modi is currently in the third position in terms of total tenure.

S.No.	Name	Political Party	Date of Commencement of Term	Date of Completion of Term	Total tenure
1	Jawaharlal Nehru	Indian National Congress	15 August 1947	27 May 1964	16 years, 286 days
2	Indira Gandhi	Indian National Congress	24 January 1966	24 March 1977	15 years, 350 days
			14 January 1980	31 October 1984	
3	Narendra Modi	Bharatiya Janata Party	May 26, 2014	modern	11 years, 1 month, 29 days (running)

#### President of India nominates 4 members to Rajya Sabha

- President Droupadi Murmu nominated Ujjwal Nikam, C. Sadanandan Master, Harsh Vardhan Shringla and Dr. Meenakshi Jain to Rajya Sabha.
- The notification of their appointment was issued by the Ministry of Home Affairs on 12th July 2025.
- All of them have been nominated for a period of 6 years from the date of taking oath of membership of Rajya Sabha .
- Under Article 80 of the Indian Constitution, the maximum number of members of the Rajya Sabha can be 250.
- Of these, 12 members are nominated by the President, who have special experience in literature, art, science or social service.
- At present, the Rajya Sabha has a total of 245 members, of which 233 are elected and 12 are nominated .

Name	About	Major Achievements
Ujjwal Nikam	Famous public prosecutor	26/11 case: Ajmal Kasab sentenced
C. Sadanandan Master	Kerala BJP leader and social activist	Lost leg in 1994 CPI(M) attack, active in social service
Harshvardhan Shringla	Former Foreign Secretary, IFS Officer	Foreign Secretary (2020–22), G-20 Coordinator (2023), Role in the 'Howdy Modi' event
Dr. Meenakshi Jain MD	Historian and author	Books on Indian Culture, awarded Padma Shri in 2020

### Appointments of New Governor and Lieutenant Governor

- President Droupadi Murmu appointed Governors in 3 States/Union Territories on 14th July 2025.

Name	Appointment	Preceding	Background/ experience
Pusapati Ashok Gajapathi Raju	20th Governor of Goa	P.S. Sreedharan Pillai	Leader of the Telugu Desam Party, Minister of Civil Aviation from 2014–2018
Ashim Kumar Ghosh	19th Governor of Haryana	Bandaru Dattatreya	Professor of Political Science (Manindra Chandra College, Kolkata); BJP Bengal President in 1999–2002
Kavinder Gupta	Third Lieutenant Governor of Ladakh	Brigadier (Retd) B.D. Mishra	Senior BJP leader (J&K); Deputy Chief Minister in Mehbooba Mufti government

#### Gyanesh Kumar

- President Droupadi Murmu has appointed Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar as the new Chief Election Commissioner (CEC).
- His term will last till January 26, 2029. He is the 26th Chief Election Commissioner of India.
- He replaced Rajiv Kumar.
- CEC Gyanesh Kumar is a former IAS officer. He is a 1988 batch officer of Kerala cadre.
- The President of India, Droupadi Murmu has appointed Dr. Vivek Joshi as the newly appointed Election Commissioner.
- He is a 1989 batch IAS officer of Haryana cadre.
- Gyanesh Kumar is the first CEC to be appointed under the new law.
- Selection Committee:** Prime Minister, Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha, Cabinet Ministers
- Election Commissioner Sukhbir Singh Sandhu will continue in his post.

#### Tuhin Kanta Pandey appointed as new chairman of SEBI

- Recently, India's Finance Secretary Tuhin Kanta Pandey has been appointed as the 11th Chairman of the Securities and Exchange Board of India (SEBI).
- His term will be for three years.
- He will succeed Madhabi Puri Buch, who was the first woman chairperson of SEBI
- Tuhin Kanta Pandey is an IAS officer of the Odisha cadre of the year 1987 batch.

#### SEBI

- Established : 12 April 1988
- Statutory status: 1992
- Headquarters: Mumbai

#### Nitish Kumar will be the Chief Minister of Bihar for the 10th time.

- Nitish Kumar became the Chief Minister of Bihar for a record 10th time on 20 November 2025.
- BJP's Samrat Chaudhary and Vijay Kumar Sinha became deputy chief ministers.
- As many as 26 ministers took oath with the new government, including first-time minister Shreyasi Singh.
- Nitish Kumar has been in power for more than 19 years and has become the longest-serving Chief Minister of Bihar so far.

#### Droupadi Murmu became the second President of India to sail a submarine

- The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu visited the INS Kadamba Naval Base at Karwar in North Karnataka on December 28, 2025.
- The President conducted a sortie from the port of Karwar in the Indian Navy's state-of-the-art submarine INS Vaghshir.
- With this, she became the second President of India to undertake a submarine voyage.
- Earlier, only APJ Abdul Kalam had undertaken a submarine voyage to Visakhapatnam in 2006.
- Droupadi Murmu is the first President of India to fly in the fighter aircraft of the Indian Air Force.

- She flew in a Rafale fighter jet on 29 October 2025.
- **Note:** INS Kadamba is a major Indian naval base located near Karwar, Karnataka.
  - It is currently the third largest naval base in India.

**Nitin Naveen appointed as BJP's national working president**

- The Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) has appointed Bihar's Youth and Sports Minister, Nitin Naveen, as the National Working President.
- He replaced the incumbent National President, J. P. Nadda.
- He has been elected MLA in Bihar five times in a row and has been a minister twice.
- He has been serving as a minister in Bihar since 2021.

**P.V. PV Sindhu becomes BWF Athletes' Commission chairperson**

- India's top badminton player Pusarla Venkat (PV) Sindhu has been elected as the chairperson of the Badminton World Federation (BWF) Athletes' Commission.
- His tenure will be from 2026 to 2029 (3 years).
- He succeeds Gracia Poli (Indonesia), who was president from 2021–2025.
- Apart from this, PV Sindhu will also be a member of the BWF Council.

**First Scientist to receive Prime Minister's Professorship**

- The Prime Minister's Professorship will be conferred on Dr. **Kishore Paknikar**, an eminent scientist for the first time .
- The objective of this professorship is to strengthen the research ecosystem in universities.
- Dr. Kishore Paknikar is a former director of Agarkar Research Institute, Pune.
- He is also a visiting professor at IIT Bombay.

**Sangeeta Barua Pisharoti: First woman president of Press Club of India**

- Senior journalist Sangeeta Barua Pisharoti was elected as the president of the Press Club of India on December 14.
- She has become the first woman president in the history of the Press Club of India (PCI).
- The Press Club of India was established on 20 December 1957.

**Kamya Karthikeyan becomes youngest Indian woman to reach South Pole**

- 18-year-old Kamya Karthikeyan became the first woman from India to reach the South Pole while skiing.
- She is also the second youngest woman in the world to achieve this feat.

Person/ subject	Post/ Achievement	Key facts
Gyanesh Kumar	Chairman of International IDEA (2026)	CEC of India; Formal assignment in Stockholm on 3 December 2025; India Founding Member; Chairing all Council meetings for 2026
President of India Droupadi Murmu	First Indian President to fly in Rafale	October 29, 2025, Ambala; flew in a Rafale twin-seater; The first president to also fly in a Su-30 MKI
Justice Vikram Nath	Executive Chairman of NALSA	Appointment effective from November 24, 2025; Under Section 3(2)(b) of the Legal Services Authorities Act, 1987
Sandip Pradhan	Whole-time Member of SEBI	Tenure 3 years; 4 Full-time Member Posts in SEBI
Sanjay Garg	Director General of BIS	Appointment effective from 1 November 2025
Justice Pratibha M. Singh	Chair of the WIPO Judges' Advisory Board	Term 2025–2027; Judges of the Delhi High Court
Akkai Padmashali	First transgender member of Supreme Court committee	Equal Opportunity Policy Making Committee for Transgender Rights
Lt Gen Virendra Vats	Director General of NCC	Assuming charge on 1st October 2025
Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla	Brand Ambassador of "Viksit Bharat Buildathon"	First Indian astronaut to go to the ISS

Sherry Singh	Mrs. Universe 2025	Competition held in Manila (Philippines)
Kiran Desai	Booker Prize 2025 Shortlist	Book: The Loneliness of Sonia and Sunny; Booker winner in 2006
Dr. Sima Sami Bahus	Executive Director of UN Women (second term)	Appointment by UN Secretary-General; Second term 2026–2029 strategic plan
Dr. Geetha Vani Raysam	Director of NIScPR	Assumes charge on 9th September 2025
Amit Khare	Secretary to the Vice President	Secretary to Vice President C.P. Radhakrishnan; Retired IAS officer
Srinivas Injeti	Chairman of the Governing Board of NSE	1983 batch, retired IAS officer of Odisha cadre; Appointed by National Stock Exchange of India
Gauranglal Das	Ambassador of India to South Korea	1999 batch IFS officers
Gemini Manhas	37th President of BCCI	Elected unopposed at the 94th AGM on 28 September 2025; Replaced Roger Binney
Dr. Deepak Mittal	India's new ambassador to the UAE	IFS (1998 batch); Sanjay Sudhir's place; Former Qatar ambassador (2020–2022); official contact with the Taliban in 2021
Pratyay Amrit	Chief Secretary of Bihar	IAS 1991 Batch (Bihar Cadre); replaced Amrit Lal Meena; The most senior officials of the state
Sushila Karki	Nepal's first woman prime minister	Appointed on 12 September 2025; interim leader after the Gen-Z movement; Nepal's first woman Chief Justice
Amit Kshatriya	NASA's Associate Administrator	Scientists of Indian origin; Leadership of the Artemis Lunar Mission and Mars Missions
Rajit Punhani	CEO of FSSAI	IAS 1991 Batch (Bihar Cadre); FSSAI is a statutory body under the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare
Kaustubh Kulkarni	Co-Head of Citibank APAC Investment Banking	Japan, North Asia, Australia and South Asia region
Anish Dayal Singh	Deputy National Security Adviser (NSA)	Former CRPF and ITBP Director General; Responsibility of internal security
Satish Golcha	Commissioner of Delhi Police	IPS 1992 Batch (AGMUT Cadre); Appointed by the Ministry of Home Affairs
S. Radha Chauhan	Chairperson of the Capacity Building Commission (CBC)	Permanent Chairperson; tenure of three years from 1 August 2025.
Lt Gen Pushpendra Singh	48th Vice Chief of the Army Staff of the Indian Army	Assumed office on 31 July 2025; replaced Lieutenant General N. S. Raja Subramani.
Sonali Mishra	RPF's first woman Director General	Appointed on August 1, 2025; IPS 1993 Batch, Madhya Pradesh Cadre
Dr. A. Rajarajan	Director of VSSC	Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre, Thiruvananthapuram; Replaces Dr. S. Unnikrishnan Nair
Vice Admiral Sanjay Vatsyayan	47th Vice Chief of the Indian Naval Staff	Assumed office on August 1, 2025; Replacement of Vice Admiral Krishna Swaminathan
Khalid Jameel	Head coach of the Indian men's football team	Appointed by the All India Football Federation (AIFF)

Raju Ramesh and Jatinder Pal Singh	First Indian diver to descend to a depth of more than 5000 meters	North Atlantic Ocean; French submersible <i>Nautilus</i> ; scientist Rajam Ramesh of the National Institute of Ocean Technology(NIOT) reached a depth of 4,025 metres.
Rajiv Pratap Rudy	Secretary General of CCI (re-elected)	Defeated Sanjeev Balyan by 102 votes; received 392 votes
P.B. Balaji	CEO of Jaguar Land Rover (JLR)	Tata Motors' luxury unit; succeeded Adrian Mardell on December 31, 2025
Ajay Singh	President of Boxing Federation of India	Elected for a third consecutive term on 21 August 2025; He first became president in 2016
Mathura Shridharan	Solicitor General of Ohio (USA)	12th Solicitor General; Ohio's Highest Appellate Attorney
Krishangi Meshram	Youngest solicitor in England and Wales	Law Graduate at 18; Open University, UK; Remote Jobs at Singapore Law Firm
Nikhil Ravi Shankar	CEO of Air New Zealand	Assumed office on 20 October 2025; Greg Foran's Location
Aastha Poonia	Indian Navy's first woman fighter pilot	sub-lieutenant; Basic Hawk Conversion Course Completed
Prajakta Koli	First Indian included in TIME 100 Creators List 2025	the only Indian; Started a career with the YouTube channel MostlySane
Sanjog Gupta	CEO of ICC	Appointed on 7 July 2025; Geoff Allardyce's place; CEO (Sports & Live Experience) at Jio Star
Priya Nair	HUL 's first female CEO & MD	Effective August 1, 2025; the replacement of Rohit Java; Hindustan Unilever Limited
Ajay Kumar Srivastava	Director of HAL (Engineering & R&D)	Key role in ARDC and TARDC; Hindustan Aeronautics Limited
Sukanya Sonowal	Commonwealth Youth Peace Ambassadors	Head of Communications and PR at CYPN's Executive Committee; Term 2025–2027; Student of IIT Guwahati
Sunil Kadam	SEBI Executive Director (ED)	Expert in Financial Market Regulation, Transparency and Security
Prof. Uma Kanjilal	IGNOU's first female vice-chancellor	Appointments by the President; Tenure: 5 years or up to 70 years of age
R. Doraiswami	MD & CEO of LIC	Term from 15 July 2025 to 28 August 2028
Nitin Gupta	Chairman of NFRA	Ravneet Kaur's location; First full-time chairman after Ajay Bhushan Pandey
Sabih Khan	COO of Apple	Appointed on 8 July 2025; Jeff Williams' replacement
Sanjay Kaul	MD & CEO of GIFT City	IAS 2001 batch (Kerala cadre); Appointment 15 July 2025
Sahil Kini	CEO of RBI Innovation Hub (RBIH)	Appointed on July 7, 2025
Deepak Bagla	Director of Atal Innovation Mission (AIM)	Experience in investment promotion and policy formulation
Prof. Anantha Chandrakasan	MIT's first Indian-American provost	The first Indian-origin academician to reach this position at MIT
Aliawati Longkumer	India's new ambassador to North Korea	2008 batch IFS officer; appointed after 4 years
Dr. Srinivas Mukkamala	AMA's 180th President	First Indian-origin President; AMA Founded 1847

Lt. Commander Yashasvi Solanki	First Woman ADC (Navy) of the President	President to support military cooperation and programs
Lt. General Rajiv Ghai	Deputy Chief of Army Staff (Strategy)	Will also hold the post of DGMO; Kumaon Regiment; Former Chinara Corps Commander
Shailesh C. Mehta	President of FAI (Indian Fertilizer Association)	MD of Deepak Fertilizers & Petrochemicals Corporation Limited
Cristiano Ronaldo	Global Ambassadors of the Esports World Cup 2025	Appointed on June 13, 2025; Tournament 7 July–24 August 2025, Riyadh (Saudi Arabia)
Ashwani Lohani	Director of Prime Minister's Museum and Library (PMML)	Approved on June 4, 2025; Tenure 3 years; IRSME 1980 batch; Former Railway Board and Air India CMD
Shailendra Nath Gupta	Director General of Defence Estates (DGDE)	IDES 1990 batch; takes charge on 1st June 2025
Rajiv Memani	President of CII (2025–26)	Chairman & CEO of EY India
Lt. General Dinesh Singh Rana	18th Commander-in-Chief of the ANC	Assumed office on June 1, 2025; ANC is India's only tri-service command.
Janhvi Dangeti	First Indian to complete NASA air-space program	A resident of West Godavari (Andhra Pradesh); Titan Orbital Port Space Station Mission in 2029
Sivasubramanian Raman	Chairman of PFRDA	Appointed on 20 June 2025; IA&AS 1991 Batch; Tenure: 5 years or up to 65 years
Geeta Samota	First CISF woman officer to climb Mount Everest	May 19, 2025; From Sikar district of Rajasthan
'Ankita'	India's First Regional Language AI News Anchor	Launched in Assam on 15th May 2025; Assamese language; By CM Himanta Biswa Sarma
Dr. Krishnamurthy V. Subramanian	Recalled as Executive Director of IMF	Appointment to IMF 1 November 2022; Return before completion of term
Ram Mohan M.K.	Director of MPEDA	20+ years of experience in Marketing, Quality Control & International Trade
Kami Rita Sherpa	Climbing Mount Everest for the 31st time	27 May 2025; Leading a 22-member Indian Army Expeditionary Team; Southeast Ridge Route
Bhuvan Ribhu	First Indian lawyer to receive World Law Congress Award	World Jurist Association's "Medal of Honor" May 5, 2025; World Law Congress, Dominican Republic
Mirabai Chanu	First Chair of IWLF Athletes' Commission	April 16, 2025; Appointed by the Indian Weightlifting Federation
Dr. Poonam Gupta	Deputy Governor of RBI	3-year term from 1st April 2025; Fourth woman in this position
N. Chandrasekaran	Members of the IMF Advisory Council	Entrepreneurship and Development Council; Council chief Kristalina Georgieva
Sunil Bharti Mittal	Included in the World Bank's Private Sector Investment Lab	23 April 2025; Washington DC; Bharti Enterprises is the second Indian company.
Dr. Mangi Lal Jat	Director General of ICAR	Replaced Himanshu Jain; Distinguished Agricultural Scientist
M.A. Baby	6th Secretary General of CPI-M	Replaced Prakash Karat; former minister of Kerala

Justice Arun Palli	Chief Justice of Jammu and Kashmir and Ladakh HC	Appointed by the President; Currently a judge of the Punjab and Haryana HC.
Jitendra Mishra	President of CIFEJ	Term 2025–2027; Films for Children and Young People
Anju Rathi Rana	India's first woman Union Law Secretary	Indian Legal Service Officer; Formerly Delhi government's public prosecutor
Ajay Bhadoo	CEO of GeM	The appointment is effective from March 3, 2025; Ministry of Commerce & Industry
Shaktikanta Das	Second Principal Secretary to the Prime Minister	Appointed on 22 February 2025; former RBI governor; G-20 Sherpa
Rekha Gupta	Chief Minister of Delhi	Sworn in on February 20; Ninth CM and fourth woman; MLA from Shalimar Bagh
P. D. Singh	CEO of Standard Chartered India	Zareen Daruwala's replacement; British Multinational Bank
Charanjot Singh Nanda	73rd President of ICAI	Term 2025–26; former vice president; The world's largest accounting institute
Bahadur Singh Sagoo	President of the Athletics Federation of India (AFI)	Asian Games gold medalist; the replacement of Adil Sumariwala; Sandeep Mehta elected secretary of AFI
M. Mohan	Director of the Liquid Propulsion System Center (LPSC)	Leadership of ISRO's Major Propulsion Centre
Suresh Goyal	Director General of NCAER	National Council of Applied Economic Research; Term from January 5, 2026
Aparajita Sarangi	Chairperson of Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC)	3 Review of Amendment Bills; Total 31 members (15 BJP, 11 NDA allies, 4 opposition, 1 nominee)
Joint Parliamentary Committee	Amendment Bills related to Constitution and UT	Constitution (130th Amendment), J&K Reorganisation (Amendment), UT Laws (Amendment) Bill
Neeraj Mittal	Secretary, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas	Appointment of Secretary by the Central Government
Amit Agarwal	Secretary of Telecommunications	Appointed by the Central Government
Manoj Joshi	Secretary, Department of Pharmaceuticals	Appointed by the Central Government
Atish Chandra	Officer on Special Duty in the Ministry of Agriculture	Appointed by the Central Government
V. Vidyavathi	Secretary, Department of Empowerment of Persons with Disabilities	Appointed by the Central Government
Srivatsa Krishna	Secretary of Tourism	Appointed by the Central Government
Sunil Paliwal	President of IWAI	Inland Waterways Authority of India
Anju Rathi Rana	Member Secretary of the 23rd Law Commission	Appointed by the Central Government

**Republic Day 2026: Ursula Von Der Leyen and Antonio Costa to be the Chief Guests**

- The 2026 Republic Day Parade will be graced by European Commission President Ursula Von Der Leyen and European Council President António Costa as the chief guests.
- In addition, the India-EU Summit will be held in Delhi on 27th January 2026.
- In the year 2025, the President of Indonesia, Prabowo Subianto, was the Chief Guest of the Republic Day.



**Time magazine's Person of the Year 2025**

- Time magazine named "Architects of AI" Person of the Year on December 11, 2025.
- According to Time, in the year 2025, the potential of artificial intelligence increased exponentially, and its impact became irreversible.
- The 'Architects of AI' ushered in the era of thinking machines.

**'Architects of AI'**

- Time's iconic cover image is inspired by the famous photo "Lunch Atop a Skyscraper."
- It features eight prominent AI leaders.

**Key AI Leaders**

1. Mark Zuckerberg — CEO, Meta
2. Lisa Su — CEO, AMD
3. Elon Musk — CEO, Tesla; Founder, xAI
4. Jensen Huang — CEO, NVIDIA
5. Sam Altman — CEO, OpenAI
6. Demis Hassabis — CEO, Google DeepMind
7. Dario Amodei — CEO, Anthropic
8. Fei-Fei Li — AI scientist and founder of World Labs

**Pakistan appoints first Chief of Defence Forces**

- In Pakistan, Field Marshal Asim Munir has been appointed as the country's first Chief of Defence Forces (CDF).
- The appointment was approved by President Asif Ali Zardari on December 5, 2025.
- The post has been given official status under the 27th Constitutional Amendment of November 2025.
- He will continue to hold the post of Chief of the Army Staff along with this position, and this appointment has been made after the reorganisation.
- This new CDF designation brings the three services – Army, Navy and Air Force – under unified command.
- The CDF will receive the authority of top leadership in strategic structure, inter-service coordination, nuclear command, and national security crises.

Country	Person	Post	Key facts
Chile	José Antonio Cast	President	Republican Party candidates; Janet Jara defeated 58% of the vote.
Czech Republic	Andrzej Babis	Prime Minister	Re-sworn in on 9 December 2025; Coalition Government
Japan	Sane Takaichi	Prime Minister	Japan's first female PM
Seychelles	Patrick Hermini	President	Historic victory for the opposition
Bolivia	Rodrigo Paz Pereira	President	Change of power after Left rule
Argentina	Xavier Millie	President	Success in midterm elections
Ireland	Catherine Connolly	President	10th President of Ireland

Madagascar	Michael Randrianirina	President	Change of power after impeachment
Madagascar	Rupin Fortunat Zafisambo	Prime Minister	Appointed amid protests
France	Sebastien Lecornu	Prime Minister	Former Defence Minister
Guyana	Irrfan Ali	President	Second term
Norway	Jonas Gahr Store	Prime Minister	Second win in a row
Jamaica	Andrew Holness	Prime Minister	Third term
Thailand	Anutin Charnvirakul	Prime Minister	Former Health Minister
Suriname	Jennifer Gerlings-Simons	President	The first female president
Ukraine	Yulia Sviridenko	Prime Minister	Second woman PM
South Korea	Lee Jae-myung	President	Winner in by-election
Poland	Karol Nawrocki	President	Conservative leader
Portugal	Luis Montenegro	Prime Minister	Minority government
Germany	Friedrich Merz	chancellor	Triangular Alliance
Singapore	Lawrence Wong	Prime Minister	PAP's historic victory
Australia	Anthony Albanese	Prime Minister	Second win in a row
Sudan	Kamil Idris	Prime Minister	First appointment since 2022
Romania	Nikuso Dan	President	EU and NATO supporters
Yemen	Salim Saleh bin Brick	Prime Minister	Former Finance Minister
Trinidad and Tobago	Kamla Prasad Bisesar	Prime Minister	First Female PM (Re)
Gabon	Bryce Oligui Nguema	President	Elections after the coup
Ecuador	Daniel Noboa	President	Full Term
Canada	Mark Carney	Prime Minister	24th Prime Minister
Uruguay	Yamandu Orsi	President	5-year term
Austria	Christian Stocker	Chancellor	First Tripartite Government After WWII
Vanuatu	Jotham Measures	Prime Minister	Coalition of five parties
Greece	Constantine Tasoulus	President	Former Speaker of Parliament
United States	Donald Trump	President	47th President
Ghana	John Mahama	President	Third term
Croatia	Zoran Milanović	President	Critics of the EU and NATO
Ireland	Micheál Martin	Prime Minister	Fianna Fáil leader
Belarus	Alexander Lukashenko	President	In power since 1994
Lebanon	Joseph Aoun	President	Former army commander

Organization	Person	Post/ Achievement	Key facts
NASA	Jared Isaacman	NASA's 15th Administrator	First private spacewalk at Polaris Dawn (2024)
United Nations Refugee Organization	Barham Salih	United Nations High Commissioner for Refugees (UNHCR)	former Iraqi president; Tenure: 5 years (from 1st January 2026)
Royal Astronomy of Britain	Prof. Michelle Karen Daugherty	Britain's first female Royal Astronomer	Honorary Advisor to the British Monarchy
Vatican City	Robert Prevost	Pope (Leo XIV)	The first American pope
Church of England	Dame Sarah Mullally	Archbishop	The first female head of the Church of England
United States	Elon Musk	The World's Richest People	Assets of more than \$700 billion
United States	Paul Kapoor	Assistant Secretary of State	In charge of South and Central Asia Affairs
International Monetary Fund (IMF)	Dan Katz	First Deputy Managing Director	Effective October 6, 2025
United Nations General Assembly	Annalena Baerbock	President (80th Session)	The first female president of the Western Europe and other groupings
Britain's Foreign Intelligence Agency (MI6)	Blaise Metreweli	Chief	First female chief
World Anti-Doping Agency (WADA)	Witold Danka	President	Third and final term
International Olympic Committee (IOC)	Kirsty Coventry	President	First Woman and First African President
Canada	Anita Anand	Minister of External Affairs	Canada's first Hindu woman foreign minister
Union of Commonwealth Nations	Shirley Bochwe	Secretary General	First African woman Secretary-General
Asian Cricket Council (ACC)	Mohsin Naqvi	President	Chairman of the Pakistan Cricket Board (PCB)
Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) (USA)	Kash Patel	Director	First Indian-origin director

### Demises

Name	Recognition/ Post	Key facts
<b>Khaleda Zia</b>	First woman Prime Minister of Bangladesh	Two-time prime minister (1991–1996, 2001–2006), wife of BNP chief, Ziaur Rahman
<b>Ram Sutar</b>	Renowned sculptor	Designer of the Statue of Unity, Born: 19 February 1925 (Gondur, Dhule), Padma Shri (1999), Padma Bhushan (2016)
<b>Shivraj Patil</b>	Former Union Home Minister	Born: 12 October 1935, 7-time MP, Home Minister (2004–2008), Speaker of Lok Sabha (1991–1996), Governor of Punjab
<b>Vinod Kumar Shukla</b>	Poet and storyteller	59th Jnanpith Award (2025), Sahitya Akademi Award (1999), Major works: Naukar ki Kameez

<b>Shamanur Sivashankarappa</b>	Senior MLA	Oldest MLA in the country (94 years), 6 times MLA, 1 time MP, MLA from Davangere South (2023)
<b>Swaraj Kaushal</b>	Senior Advocate	Governor of Mizoram (1990–1993), constitutional law expert
<b>Dharmendra</b>	Veteran actor	Original Name: Kewal Krishan Deol, 300+ Films, BJP MP (2004–2009), Padma Bhushan
<b>James Watson</b>	Scientist	Co-discoverer of the bi-helix structure of DNA, Nobel Prize (1962)
<b>Kumari Kamala (Kamala Lakshminarayana n)</b>	Bharatanatyam dancer	"Baby Kamala", Padma Bhushan (1970), Sangeet Natak Akademi Award (1968)
<b>Piyush Pandey</b>	Indian advertising giants	Associated with Ogilvy India, author of "Mile Sur Mera Tumhara", leading iconic advertising campaigns like Fevicol and Hutch/Vodafone
<b>Pandit Chhannulal Mishra</b>	Hindustani classical vocalist	Proficient in Khayal, Thumri, Dadra, Chaiti, Kajri and Bhajan, Padma Bhushan (2010), Padma Vibhushan (2020)
<b>Dr. S. L. Bhyrappa</b>	Kannada novelist	25+ Novels, Major Works: Dynasty, Parva, Datu, Grihabhan, Cover
<b>DD Lapang</b>	Former Chief Minister of Meghalaya	4 times Chief Minister, different terms with different alliances
<b>La Ganesan</b>	Governor of Nagaland	Died while in office, Tamil Nadu BJP President (2006–2009), Rajya Sabha MP, Governor of Manipur and Nagaland
<b>Shibu Soren</b>	Senior leaders of Jharkhand	Founder of Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM), 3-time Chief Minister of Jharkhand
<b>Satya Pal Malik</b>	Former Governor	Governor of Jammu and Kashmir, Goa and Meghalaya, Governor of Jammu and Kashmir at the time of abrogation of Article 370
<b>Dr. Wes Paes</b>	Legendary hockey player and sports medicine expert	1972 Munich Olympics bronze medalist, President of the Indian Rugby Football Union (1996–2002)
<b>Meghnad Desai</b>	Economist & Writer	Member of the House of Lords of the United Kingdom, Padma Bhushan (2008)
<b>Kota Srinivasa Rao</b>	Telugu Actor	About 750 films, Padma Shri (2015), MLA in 1999
<b>V.S. Achuthanandan</b>	Former Chief Minister of Kerala	Senior CPI(M) leader, Chief Minister (2006–2011), Leader of Opposition (2001–2006)
<b>Alan Bergman</b>	Oscar-winning American songwriter	3 Academy Award (Oscar) winners, 3 Emmy Awards, world-renowned songwriters
<b>Vijay Rupani</b>	Former Chief Minister of Gujarat	Rajya Sabha MP (2006–2012), MLA from Rajkot West (2014), Chief Minister (2016–2021), BJP National Vice President
<b>Maruti Chithampalli</b>	Environmentalist & Wildlife Expert	Popularly known as "Aranya Rishi", Padma Shri awardee, renowned environmentalist
<b>Dr. Jayant Narlikar</b>	Astronomer	Alternative Model of Big Bang Theory, Contribution to Science Popularization, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan, Sahitya Akademi Award
<b>Dr. M.R. Srinivasan</b>	Nuclear Scientist	Forerunner of India's civil nuclear energy programme, Apsara Reactor Project, Chairman of Atomic Energy Commission

<b>Dr. Subbanna Ayyappan</b>	Fisheries Scientist	Father of "Blue Revolution", former Director General of ICAR, awarded Padma Shri
<b>Saroj Ghosh</b>	Scientist & Science Communicator	Pioneer of India's Science Museum Movement, Founding Director General of NCSM
<b>Prof. Sunny Thomas</b>	National Shooting Coach	Coach of Olympic medallists like Abhinav Bindra, Gagan Narang, Dronacharya Award (2001)
<b>Baba Sivananda</b>	Yoga Guru	128-year-old Padma Shri yoga guru, famous for yoga practice and long life
<b>Dr. K. Kasturirangan</b>	Former ISRO Chairman	5th Chairman of ISRO, PSLV-GSLV Vikas, Chairman of NEP-2020 Drafting Committee, Padma Shri-Padma Bhushan-Padma Vibhushan
<b>Pope Francis</b>	Pope of the Roman Catholic Church	originally known as Jorge Mario Bergoglio (Argentina), became pope in 2013, the first pope from Latin America and the Southern Hemisphere to be elected
<b>Kumudini Lakhia</b>	Kathak dancers	Vidushi of Jaipur Gharana, prepared many disciples, Padma Shri (1987), Padma Bhushan (2010), Padma Vibhushan (2024)
<b>Daripalli Ramaiah</b>	Environmental activist	Popularly known as "Vanjivi" and "Chettu Ramaiah", planted 1 crore+ saplings, "Green Crusader", Padma Shri (2017)
<b>Shaji N. Karun</b>	Film Director & Cinematographer	Legend of Malayalam cinema, Film Pirvi internationally acclaimed, 7 National Film Awards
<b>Ram Sahay Pandey</b>	Folk Dance Artists	Contribution to the preservation and promotion of Rai Dance, Padma Shri (2022)
<b>Manoj Kumar</b>	Hindi Film Actor	Harikishan Giri Goswami, popularly known as 'Bharat Kumar', Padma Shri, Dadasaheb Phalke Award
<b>Dr. Devendra Pradhan MD</b>	Former Union Minister	Senior BJP leader, minister in Atal government, BJP national vice-president
<b>Ramakant Rath</b>	Odia poet and administrator	Padma Bhushan awardee, former Chief Secretary of Odisha, President of Sahitya Akademi
<b>Mayadhar Raut</b>	Odissi Dancer	"Father of Odissi dance", pioneer of Ashtapadi stage performance, Padma Shri awardee, recipient of the Sangeet Natak Akademi Award.
<b>K.S. Manilal</b>	Botanist	English and Malayalam Translator of "Hortus Malabaricus", Head of Department, University of Calicut
<b>Dr. Rajagopala Chidambaram MD</b>	Nuclear Scientist	Principal Scientist of India's Nuclear Weapons Programme, associated with Pokhran-I and Pokhran-II, Principal Scientific Adviser

## 2. Places in News

Place	Subject	Key Points
<b>Kopra Reservoir (Bilaspur, Chhattisgarh)</b>	Ramsar Site Status	Chhattisgarh's first Ramsar site; Freshwater wetlands; Natural and man-made features
<b>Siliserh Lake (Alwar, Rajasthan)</b>	Ramsar Site Status	Man-made wetlands located in the buffer zone of Sariska Tiger Reserve
<b>Gogabeel Lake (Katihar, Bihar)</b>	Ramsar Sites	India's 94th Ramsar site; Bihar's first community reserve; Oxbow Lake between the Ganges and the Mahananda; Sixth Ramsar site in Bihar
<b>Sinnar, Nashik (Maharashtra)</b>	National Onion Centre	2 acres of land; Cost ₹5 crore; Fair prices to farmers and stable prices to consumers; Lasalgaon Asia's largest onion market
<b>Gulmarg (North Kashmir)</b>	Asia's Longest Ski Drag Lift	Kongduri region; Length 726 m; Cost : ₹3.65 crore; Promotion of winter sports
<b>Afarwat region, Gulmarg</b>	Rotating Conference Hall	Located at an altitude of 4,390 meters
<b>Gorakhpur (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	India's First Forest University	125 acres area; ₹50 crore initial budget; Forestry, Wildlife Conservation and Environmental Studies
<b>Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	Rashtra Prerna Sthal	Inauguration on Atal Bihari Vajpayee's 101st birth anniversary; 65-acre complex; cost ₹230 crore; 65 feet tall bronze statues
<b>NH-45, Madhya Pradesh</b>	Protected Wildlife Corridor	India's first 'table-top red road markings'; 11.96 km; Between Nauradehi Sanctuary and Veerangana Durgavati Tiger Reserve
<b>Dhar (Madhya Pradesh)</b>	PPP Model Medical College	the country's first PPP medical college; Affiliated to the District Hospital
<b>Betul (Madhya Pradesh)</b>	PPP Model Medical College	Second PPP Medical College after Dhar
<b>Panna &amp; Katni (Madhya Pradesh)</b>	PPP Model Medical College	Groundbreaking from January 2026; Four PPP colleges attached to district hospitals
<b>Mumbai</b>	Asia's largest GCC	American bank founded by JP Morgan; high-skill employment; Strengthening of Finance and Technology Sector
<b>Patna (Karbighahiya), Bihar</b>	India's First Power Museum	3-acre campus; Cost ₹200 crore; India's First and World's Fourth Power Museum
<b>Varanasi (Namo Ghat-Lalita Ghat)</b>	Indigenous Hydrogen Fuel Cell Passenger Vessel	India's first Hydrogen Fuel Cell Inland Vessel; Produced by CSL; Operated by IWAI; Zero pollution
<b>Kandla (Gujarat)</b>	Zero-Emission Electric Tug Project	Developed for Deendayal Port; under the GTTP; Target 50 Green Tugs by 2030
<b>Hansi (Haryana)</b>	New District	23rd District of Haryana; Subdivisions: Hansi and Narnaund; Administrative efficiency will increase
<b>Veerangana Durgawati Tiger Reserve (M.P.)</b>	Cheetah Sanctuary	Madhya Pradesh's third cheetah habitat; After Kuno and Gandhi Sagar
<b>AIIMS, New Delhi</b>	First test of supernova stent	India's first home diagnostic stroke stent; Developed for Mechanical Thrombectomy

<b>Guwahati (Assam)</b>	India's first nature-theme airport	Gopinath Bordoloi International Airport; GRIHA compliant; 1.31 crore passenger capacity
<b>Gurugram (Haryana)</b>	Foreign University Campus	Victoria University, Australia has a campus in India; Block Model; Permission under NEP
<b>Bannerghatta Biological Park (Bengaluru, Karnataka)</b>	Import of Capuchin Monkeys	8 black-capped capuchins ( <i>Sapajus apella</i> ) from South Africa; For Genetic Diversity and Scientific Zoo Management
<b>Parvati-Arga Bird Sanctuary (Gonda, Uttar Pradesh)</b>	Environmentally Sensitive Zone (ESZ)	Parvati and Arga are two wetlands; Major winter migration sites of migratory waterfowl
<b>Hyderabad (Telangana)</b>	Aircraft Engine MRO Feature	SAESI, founded by Safran ; ₹1,300 crore investment; Servicing LEAP Engines
<b>Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	AI-Native Data Centers	11 billion dollar project; 1 GW capacity; AI-native campus on 400 acres
<b>Guwahati (Assam)</b>	India's First Floating River Terminal	On the Brahmaputra River; Cost ₹304.95 crore; Central hub of inland water transport
<b>New Raipur, Atal Nagar (Chhattisgarh)</b>	Digital Tribal Freedom Fighters Museum	VFX, digital projection, QR-code based presentation; Dedicated to tribal heroes
<b>Kangchendzonga National Park (Sikkim)</b>	IUCN "Good" rating	The only Indian World Heritage Site to receive this rating; India's first mixed UNESCO site
<b>Gurugram (Haryana)</b>	Tesla's first dedicated center	Showroom, Delivery & Service Hub; Established in Orchid Business Park
<b>Greater Noida (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	Vanadium Redox Flow Battery System	NTPC NETRA has the country's first 3 MWh VRFB system; Long-term energy storage and grid stability; Emerging Alternatives to Lithium-Ion
<b>Canacona, South Goa</b>	77 feet tall Ram statue	Unveiled by Narendra Modi; bronze statue; Inauguration of Ramayana Theme Park; 1 Lakh+ people participated in Gita recitation
<b>Mandale, Mumbai (Maharashtra)</b>	Asia's Largest Metro Depot	for Metro Line 2B; the first elevated depot; Developed by MMRDA; 30.45 hectare area; capacity of 72 trains
<b>Nalanda University (Bihar)</b>	Centre for South East Asian Studies	Declaration at the 22nd ASEAN-India Summit; the strength of the Act East policy; Academic cooperation from ASEAN countries
<b>Ekta Nagar (Gujarat)</b>	Country's first 'Vamana Vriksha Vatika'	13,885 square meters area; 1,147 miniature trees of 65 species; Virtual Interpretation Center
<b>Hyderabad (Telangana)</b>	Centre of Excellence for Financial Audit	Establishment by CAG; Modernization of the audit system; Incorporation of Global Best Practices
<b>Sunapur Beach &amp; Puri Golden Beach (Odisha)</b>	Blue Flag Certification	Recertification for 2025-26; Sunapur for the third time, Puri for the seventh time; Accreditation by FEE (Denmark)
<b>Rishikesh (Uttarakhand)</b>	India's First Glass Suspension Bridge	"Bajrang Setu"; Lakshman Jhula Alternative; Length 132 m; Cost ₹60 crore; Transparent glass walkways
<b>Vemagal, Karnataka</b>	Private helicopter assembly line	Tata Group-Airbus partnership; H125 helicopter; Deliveries from 2027
<b>Vadodara, Gujarat</b>	Military aircraft manufacturing plant (reference)	C295 military aircraft plant; Foreground of Tata-Airbus partnership

<b>Balod (Chhattisgarh)</b>	India's first child marriage free district	Achievements under "Child Marriage Free India" campaign; Zero child marriages in 2 years; 436 Gram Panchayats and 9 Urban Bodies certified
<b>Maharashtra (5 beaches)</b>	Blue Flag Certification	Srivardhan, Nagon (Raigarh); Parnaka (Palghar); Guhagar, Ladghar (Ratnagiri); Global recognition of eco-tourism
<b>Hyderabad (Telangana)</b>	India's First Semiconductor Innovation Museum	Inauguration under the T-CHIP program; Awareness on Semiconductor and Electronics Ecosystem
<b>Kerala</b>	Extremely poverty-free state	Announced on November 1, 2025; MPI-based assessments; Poverty rate 0.7% (NITI Aayog, 2021)
<b>Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	Google's AI and Data Center Hub	Google's largest AI hub outside the U.S .; \$15 billion investment (2026–2030); Partnership with Adani Group and Bharti Airtel
<b>Navi Mumbai (Maharashtra)</b>	Navi Mumbai International Airport (NMIA)	₹19,650 crore cost; in the name of D.B. Patil; lotus-inspired design; 90 million passenger capacity; Water Taxi Connectivity
<b>Kuno National Park (Sheopur, M.P.)</b>	India's first cheetah safari	Starting on October 1, 2025; Project Cheetah (2022); Gypsy drive with minimal human intervention
<b>Chennai (Tamil Nadu)</b>	City Biodiversity Index	The country's first city; Developed by ICLEI South Asia; 23 indicators; 38 points out of 72
<b>Chennai (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Real-Time Flood Forecasting System	First city in India where RTFF & SDSS is implemented; Flood forecasting, risk management and rapid disaster response with real-time hydro-weather data.
<b>Visakhapatnam (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	The first nuclear reactor for medical use	Production of radioisotopes for cancer treatment; constructed by the Bhabha Atomic Research Centre under the PPP (Public-Private Partnership) model.
<b>Deendayal Port (Gujarat)</b>	Green Hydrogen Hub	Designated under the National Green Hydrogen Mission; Integrated structure of production, storage, transportation and utilization
<b>V.O. Chidambaranar Port (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Green Hydrogen Hub	Boost to clean energy in shipping, logistics, fertiliser and refining sectors
<b>Paradip Port (Odisha)</b>	Green Hydrogen Hub	India among 3 Green Hydrogen Ports
<b>Vypin-Fort Kochi (Kerala)</b>	Kerala's first underwater tunnel	2.75 km long road tunnel; Distance reduced from 16 km to 3 km; ₹2,672 crore; India's second underwater project
<b>Namchik-Namphuk, Arunachal Pradesh</b>	First Commercial Coal Mine	the state's first commercial coal mine; ~15 million tonnes of reserves; Boost to North East Development
<b>MiG La Pass, Eastern Ladakh</b>	World's Highest Motorable Road	19,400 feet of altitude; under Project Frozen by BRO; Strengthening strategic connectivity
<b>Kollam (Kerala)</b>	A. Ramachandran Museum	In memory of contemporary artist A. Ramachandran; Located at the Sree Narayana Guru Cultural Complex
<b>Kotra Bhadli, Kutch (Gujarat)</b>	4000-year-old Harappan Sarai	the oldest known caravanser; 2300–1900 BC; Evidence of Organized Business Structure
<b>Tirumalapuram, Tenkasi (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Evidence of Iron Age culture	3000–1000 BC; Local iron smelting technology; Evidence of Megalithic Burial Culture

<b>Padur (Karnataka)</b>	Private Strategic Petroleum Reserves	Megha Engineering approved to become India's first private SPR; capacity 2.5 MMT; \$1.25 billion investment; Strengthening Energy Security
<b>India (UNESCO tentative list)</b>	7 New Potential World Heritage Properties	A total of 69 properties on the tentative list; Natural, mixed and geological categories; A total of 44 World Heritage Sites in India
<b>Bidadi, Bengaluru (Karnataka)</b>	India's First AI Township (GBIT City)	9,000 acres; 2,000 acres for the AI industry; work-live-play model; Zero-carbon, zero-waste
<b>Naranpura, Ahmedabad (Gujarat)</b>	India's Largest Sports Complex	'Veer Savarkar Sports Complex'; 1.19 lakh square meters; solar power plants; 900 vehicle parking
<b>Golaghat District (Assam)</b>	First Bamboo-based Ethanol Plant	World's First Bamboo Ethanol Plant; Energy self-sufficiency; ABEL-NRL-Fortum-Chempolis joint venture
<b>Vanakbara (Diu), Karaikal (Puducherry), Jakhau (Gujarat)</b>	World-class Blue Port	3 Pilot Blue Ports with FAO assistance; Investment of ₹369.8 crore
<b>VOC Port, Tuticorin (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Green Hydrogen Pilot Project	India's First Green Hydrogen Port; Capacity 10 NM <sup>3</sup> /hour; Green Methanol Bunkering
<b>Abu Dhabi (UAE)</b>	First Foreign Atal Innovation Centre	AIC at IIT Delhi-Abu Dhabi campus; under AIM; India-UAE Innovation Cooperation
<b>Tekanpur, Madhya Pradesh</b>	Drone Warfare School	Established by BSF; UAV Operations, Anti-Drone Warfare, AI-ML Based Training
<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	Fully Literate State	99.3% literacy rate; the fourth fully literate state under the GLAS programme; First place in the country
<b>Tirupati (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	Space City	₹400 crore investment; Private space startup Skyroot Partners with Aerospace
<b>Madakasira (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	Defence manufacturing hubs	₹3,000 crore investment; Aerospace, Defence Electronics & Weapons Manufacturing
<b>Noida (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	India's First Tempered Glass Unit	Optimus Electronics-Corning Inc. collaboration; domestic and international supplies; Electronics manufacturing touches ₹11.5 lakh crore
<b>NH-48, Choryasi Toll Plaza (Gujarat)</b>	First Multi-Lane Free Flow Tolling (MLFF)	barrier-free toll system; IHMCL-ICICI Bank Partnership; Seamless Journey
<b>IIT Madras (Tamil Nadu)</b>	United Nations AI Centre of Excellence	Designated as UN AI COE; Announced by MeitY; AI Research & Skill Development
<b>Tirumala (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	First AI-based command center	TTD's AI-powered ICC; 6,000+ AI cameras; Philosophy, Safety & Traffic Management
<b>Delhi (MAIDS)</b>	Country's first Central Tissue Bank	Established at Maulana Azad Institute of Dental Sciences; Bone/Tissue Graft Availability
<b>Sohna (Haryana)</b>	Lithium-ion battery plant	Japan's TDK Corporation plant 200 million battery packs/year; EMC Plan
<b>Punjab</b>	AI-based cancer and eye screening	the country's first state; ACT Grants collaboration; portable AI devices in 8 districts
<b>Rajgir (Nalanda, Bihar)</b>	Royal Bhutan Buddhist Temple	Symbol of Indo-Bhutan Buddhist heritage; The first Buddhist music venue
<b>Vadnagar (Gujarat)</b>	Archaeological Experiential Museum	Experience ancient heritage through AR, VR, and 3D projection
<b>Bommasandra, Bengaluru (Karnataka)</b>	India's second largest cricket stadium	80,000 spectator capacity; ₹1,650 crore cost; Multi-game features

<b>Mahasamund (Chhattisgarh)</b>	Ni-Cu-PGE mineral deposits	Bhalukona-Zamandih block; Search by DGML; Strategic Importance
<b>Kandivali, Mumbai (Maharashtra)</b>	Women-run street food hub	"Molly" Hub; Management by SHG women; FoSTaC Training
<b>Kerala</b>	The first fully digitally literate state	99.98% Digital Literacy; 2 lakh volunteers; Training of 21.87 lakh people
<b>Kerala</b>	Country's first woman tourist-friendly state	"She Tourism Project" from September 2025; Safety and Convenience of Women Solo Travellers; The pilot was implemented statewide in collaboration with UN Women.
<b>Navi Mumbai (Maharashtra)</b>	Property ID card for the first time in the country	Cards to 3.5 lakh property owners; Online tax payment with QR code; Asset Management Transparent
<b>Ahmedabad (Gujarat)</b>	Asia's largest rail operations command centre	under the Dedicated Freight Corridor; 1506 km network; 350 to 500 freight trains monitored
<b>New Delhi</b>	OpenAI 's first India office	Opening by the end of 2025; Support to India AI Mission; The second largest ChatGPT market after the US
<b>Parshurampuri (formerly Jalalabad), Shahjahanpur (U.P.)</b>	Change of name of city	Approval of the Union Ministry of Home Affairs; Birthplace of Lord Parshuram
<b>Kandla, Gujarat</b>	First 'Make in India' Green Hydrogen Plant	Established at Deendayal Port; 1 MW capacity (expansion up to 10 MW); Indigenous electrolyzer
<b>IIT Madras (Tamil Nadu)</b>	'Agnishodh' Research Cell	Support for the Army's Indigenisation Approach; 3D Printing, Drones, Quantum and Cyber Training
<b>Hyderabad (Telangana)</b>	India's first women's FIFA talent academy	AIFF-FIFA collaboration; Gachibowli Stadium; Part of FIFA TDS
<b>Varanasi (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	Solar panels between railway tracks	The first removable system in the country; 15 kW output; For Signaling & Lighting
<b>Mechuka, Shi-Yomi District (Arunachal Pradesh)</b>	ISRO Space Laboratory	Promote scientific literacy and innovation in schools; Smile Foundation Collaboration
<b>Tawang District (Arunachal Pradesh)</b>	First indigenous 50 kW geothermal plant	Establishment in Mago-Thingbu-Damteng; Energy production at 68°C; Ministry of Science Funding
<b>India (UNESCO)</b>	Maratha Military Landscape World Heritage	44th Indian World Heritage Site; Group of 12 Forts (11 Maharashtra, 1 Tamil Nadu)
<b>Yakten Village, Pakyong District (Sikkim)</b>	India's first digital nomadic village	the "work and stay" model; a quiet environment for digital professionals; Dual internet lines, Wi-Fi, power backup; Joint efforts of Pakyong administration and 'Sarvahiti' NGO
<b>Amaravati (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	India's First AI+ Campus	AI+ campus of BITS Pilani; ₹1,000 crore investment; 70 acres area; entry from 2027; Courses like Data Science, Robotics, CPS
<b>Sonapur, Guwahati (Assam)</b>	India's First Aqua Tech Park	To increase fish production and farmers' income; biofloc, aquaponics, ornamental fisheries; NABARD, ICAR-CIFA Collaboration

<b>Aravalli Region (Haryana)</b>	Asia's Largest Jungle Safari	~10,000 acres; Based on the Vantara model; Promote wildlife conservation, eco-tourism and local employment
<b>New Delhi</b>	India's First National Biobank	Phenom India 'National Biobank'; Established at CSIR-IGIB; UK Biobank model; genomic data from 10,000 people
<b>Shivamogga District (Karnataka)</b>	India's second longest cable-stayed bridge	Singandur Bridge; Length 2.44 km; on the Sharavati backwaters; Connects Sagar-Singandur
<b>Mandovi River, Goa</b>	India's first RoRo ferry service	the first Inland Ro-Ro ferry; 'Gangotri' and 'Dwarka'; BOOT Model; Travel time reduced from 30 minutes to ~12-13 minutes
<b>Gurugram (Haryana)</b>	Indian Campus of Foreign University	the University of Southampton's first overseas campus; Under the UGC rules; In line with NEP 2020 and India-UK Roadmap 2030
<b>Meerut (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	The first equine disease-free compartment	EDFC at the RVC Centre; Recognition from WOA; Promotion of International Equestrian and Trade
<b>Mumbai (Maharashtra)</b>	First Indian Institute of Creative Technology (IICT)	Opening at the NFDC campus; permanent campus at Goregaon Film City; ₹400 crore investment; Based on IIT-IIM model
<b>Arthunkal Police Station, Alappuzha (Kerala)</b>	India's First ISO Certified Police Station	IS/ISO 9001:2015 QMS certification; Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS) for Quality of Service in Policing and Public Safety
<b>Mumbai (Maharashtra)</b>	Renaming of Carnac Bridge	the renovated Carnac ROB now 'Vermilion Bridge'; Inspired by Operation Vermilion; Initiative to remove colonial symbols
<b>Puducherry (UT)</b>	TB Screening-Family Adoption Program	India's first UT to link TB screening to family adoption programme
<b>Sudama Nagar, Indore (M.P.)</b>	QR Based Digital House Address	India's first QR-based digital address system; Integrated with National DigiPIN
<b>Fazilka (Punjab)</b>	India's first wooden gurudwara	"Sri Nanak Niwas"; cedar wood imported from Finland; Design: Iqbal Singh (Ludhiana)
<b>Vellakoil, Tiruppur (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Neolithic and Iron Age Remains	Grooves grinding on granite; quartz microstone tools; Discovery by the Yakkai Heritage Trust
<b>Bitra Island (Lakshadweep)</b>	New military base	strategic islands in the Arabian Sea; ~1 lakh square meters of land acquisition; Third major defence centre
<b>Koramangala, Bengaluru (Karnataka)</b>	India's first UPI-powered bank branch	UPI Branch and UPI ATM by Slice; Digital-Physical Banking Integration
<b>Lungphun Ropui, Mizoram</b>	Monuments of National Importance	Declared by the Archaeological Survey of India (ASI); Second megalithic site
<b>Mahayogi Gorakhnath University, Gorakhpur (U.P.)</b>	Panchakarma Center	inaugurated by President Droupadi Murmu; Promotion of Ayurveda-Allopathy
<b>Anamalai Tiger Reserve, Coimbatore (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Hornbill Conservation Centre of Excellence	₹1 crore financing; Conservation of 4 Hornbill Species of Western Ghats
<b>Nagpur (MIHAN SEZ), Maharashtra</b>	Falcon 2000 Executive Jet Construction	Falcon 2000 LXS built by Dassault Aviation; DRAL (Dassault + Reliance Aerostructure JV); First

		aircraft until 2028; India is the 5th country to manufacture Falcon jets.
<b>Hyderabad (Telangana)</b>	Google's Asia-Pacific Security Center	Google's first APAC Security Engineering Center; Fourth centre in the world (after Munich, Malaga, Dublin)
<b>Chennai (Tamil Nadu)</b>	India's First Agri-Drone Indigenization Centre	Garuda Aerospace Facilities; 1 lakh drones target by 2026; 300 CoE; DGCA Approved TTT Program
<b>Manesar (Haryana)</b>	India's Largest Automobile Cargo Terminal	Gati Shakti multi-modal terminal; at the Maruti Suzuki plant; Annual Capacity 4.5 lakh vehicles
<b>Bhopal (M.P.)</b>	NIHSAD: Category A Rinderpest Facility	FAO-WOAH accreditation of NIHSAD; There are only 6 labs in the world; BSL-3 Facility
<b>Sindhudurg (Maharashtra)</b>	India's first underwater museum	Artificial coral reef sinking INS Guldar; Promotion of Marine Biodiversity and Tourism
<b>Lucknow (U.P.)</b>	UNESCO Creative City (Gastronomy) Nomination	UNESCO nominated for UCCN 2025; Global recognition of Awadhi culinary tradition and street food
<b>Holambi Kalan, Delhi</b>	India's First e-Waste Eco Park	11.4 acres; Green Economy and E-Waste Recycling Model
<b>Dhanushkodi, Ramanathapuram (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Greater Flamingo Sanctuary	524.7 hectares; Gulf of Mannar Biosphere Reserve; Located on the Central Asian Flyway
<b>Bengaluru (Karnataka)</b>	First metropolis with free-roaming leopards	85 leopards; Camera Trap Study; Research by Sanjay Gubbi and HNF
<b>Vizhinjam International Seaport (Kerala)</b>	The world's largest container ship arrivals	The arrival of 'MSC Irina'; Length 399.9 m.; India's First Dedicated Transshipment Port
<b>Vizhinjam, Kerala</b>	Inauguration of ICG Jetty	the 76.7 m jetty of the Indian Coast Guard; Coastal Security and Enhancement of SAR Capability
<b>Hyderabad (Telangana)</b>	Rare Earth Magnet Production in the Private Sector	by Midwest Advanced Materials; from December 2025; Starting Capacity: 500 Tons/Year
<b>Melur, Madurai (Tamil Nadu)</b>	800-year-old Shiva temple discovered	Shiva temples of the Uttara Pandya period; Tamil inscriptions of 1217-1218 A.D.; Maravarman Sundara Pandya yesterday; Name of the Temple Thennavaneswaram
<b>New Raipur (Chhattisgarh)</b>	India's First AI Special Economic Zone (AI SEZ)	₹1,000 crore project; Development by RackBank Datacenter; 6 acres; Focused on AI Research, Innovation, and Deployment
<b>Raisi District (Jammu &amp; Kashmir)</b>	Inauguration of Chenab Railway Arch Bridge	the world's highest railway arch bridge; Altitude: 359 m; Length 1315 m; 260 km/h wind and earthquake tolerant
<b>Anji River Valley, Katra-Banihal</b>	Anji Khad Bridge	India's first cable-stayed railway bridge; Length 725 m; Main dispersion 290 m
<b>Jammu and Kashmir</b>	Udhampur- Srinagar-Baramulla Rail Link (USBRL)	272 km of electrified railway; 36 tunnels and 934 bridges; T-50 Tunnel (12.77 km)
<b>Kumram Bheem Asifabad (Telangana)</b>	Kumram Bheem Conservation Reserve	the Kawal-Tadoba Tiger Corridor; Notified under the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972

<b>Kutch (Gujarat)</b>	India's First Off-Grid Green Hydrogen Plant	5 MW pilot project; by Adani New Industries Limited; Solar energy based
<b>Agra (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	International Potato Centre – South Asian Centre	10 hectares of land; Development of High Yielding and Processable Potato Varieties
<b>Dehradun (Uttarakhand)</b>	Rashtrapati Tapovan & Niketan	Inaugurated by President Droupadi Murmu; Zero-carbon public parks
<b>Katarniaghat, Bahraich (U.P.)</b>	Crocodile Conservation Program	Crocodiles were released into the Gerua River; Gavialis gangeticus critically endangered in IUCN
<b>Kozhikode (Kerala)</b>	WHO Age-Friendly Cities Network	Joining WHO's GNAFCC; Inclusive Urban Development for Older Persons
<b>Amaravati (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	India's First Transmedia City – 'Creator Land'	Cinema, Gaming, AI, Virtual Production Hub; Potential Investment up to ₹10,000 crore
<b>Vizhinjam, Thiruvananthapuram (Kerala)</b>	India's First Dedicated Transshipment and Semi-Automated Port	Opening: 2 May 2025; PPP (DBFOT) model; Government of Kerala + Adani Vizhinjam Port; India's first AI-based Vessel Traffic Management System (developed by IIT Madras)
<b>Karnataka (Wemagal region)</b>	India's First Private Helicopter Assembly Line	Tata Advanced Systems Limited + Airbus; H125 helicopter; the world's fourth H125 FL; Initial capacity 10 helicopters/year
<b>Lucknow (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	BrahMos Aerospace's largest production and testing facility	Inauguration: 11 May 2025; Rs 300 crore; 80 hectares; 80–100 missiles/year; BrahMos NG Construction
<b>Delhi</b>	Quantum Technology Research Centre (QTRC)	Opening: 27 May 2025; by DRDO; QKD and Platforms for Secure Communication
<b>Diu (Daman and Diu)</b>	The country's first fully solar-energy self-sufficient district	Total solar capacity 11.88 MW; 9 MW ground-mounted + 2.88 MW rooftop
<b>Dahod (Gujarat)</b>	India's First 9000 HP Electric Locomotive Plant	Inauguration: 26 May 2025; 9000 HP freight locomotive; 4600 tons haulage capacity; Construction by Siemens Indian Unit
<b>Gujarat</b>	100% Rail Electrification	India's 24th State/UT; 98.83% network as of February 2025; 16 km/day electrification speed
<b>Uttar Pradesh (Dudhwa-Katarniaghat)</b>	India's First Vistadome Jungle Safari Train	Opening: 26 May 2025; train-based jungle safari; 360° View
<b>Jewar, Gautam Buddha Nagar (U.P.)</b>	India's Sixth Semiconductor Plant	Foxconn + HCL JV; 36 million units/month; Display Driver Chips
<b>Noida (U.P.) &amp; Bengaluru (Karnataka)</b>	Country's First 3nm Chip Design Center	Renesas Electronics India; 3nm Technology; 7nm and 5nm Centres already active
<b>Lakkundi, Gadag (Karnataka)</b>	UNESCO Tentative List Proposal	Ancient Temples and Monuments; Preliminary List for Future World Heritage Nominations
<b>Jaigir Village, Palamu (Jharkhand)</b>	Rehabilitation from Tiger Reserve Core Area	Palamu Tiger Reserve's first relocated village; Included in the first phase of Project Tiger (1973) in reserve
<b>Khavda, Kutch (Gujarat)</b>	World's Largest Renewable Energy Park	Development by Adani Green Energy Limited; 538 sq km area; 30 GW capacity (26 GW solar + 4 GW wind); ~5 times larger than Paris; Hybrid (day-solar, night-wind)

<b>Dirang, West Kameng (Arunachal Pradesh)</b>	North-East's First Geothermal Production Well	Drills by CESHs; Collaboration between Ministry of Earth Sciences and State Government; Potential of geothermal energy in high altitude areas
<b>Nagpur (Maharashtra)</b>	Bhoomi Pujan of 'Swasti Niwas' and NFSU Campus	Bhoomi Pujan by Amit Shah; 'Swasti Niwas' for cancer patients; 11th campus of National Forensic Sciences University and first in Maharashtra
<b>Aizawl (Mizoram)</b>	4th NE Capital to be connected to the railway network	Bairabi-Sairang rail project; 51.38 km; Cost : ₹5,021.45 crore; First Dispur, Itanagar-Naharlagun connected
<b>Delhi</b>	The first assembly powered entirely by solar energy	Energy from 200 kW rooftop solar; Cornerstone 12th May 2025
<b>Bethale, Anantapur (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	India's Largest RE Complex (ReNew)	ReNew Power; Investment ₹22,000 crore; Single-site RE campus; Opening 16 May 2025
<b>Amravati (Maharashtra)</b>	South-East Asia's largest pilot training institute	FTO installation; 34 training aircraft; 180 pilots/year; Long-term capacity 30,000 pilots
<b>Rameswaram-Mandapam (Tamil Nadu)</b>	India's First Vertical Lift Railway Sea Bridge	the new Pamban rail bridge; Length 2.08 km; Construction by RVNL
<b>Similipal (Odisha)</b>	National Park status	India's 107th National Park; Area 845.70 sq km; Sanctuary since 1973, CTH since 2007
<b>Amaravati (Andhra Pradesh)</b>	India's First Quantum Computing Village	50 acres; quantum research and innovation; Shared Quantum Resources
<b>Mumbai (Maharashtra)</b>	India's Largest International Cruise Terminal	Ballard Pier; Cruise India Mission; 4.15 lakh sq. ft. area
<b>Dubai (UAE)</b>	IIM Ahmedabad's First International Campus	IIM Ahmedabad; 1-year MBA from September 2025; India-UAE MoU
<b>Paradip (Odisha)</b>	India's largest petrochemical plant	Indian Oil Corporation Limited; Investment ₹61,077 crore; IOCL 's largest single-location investment
<b>Singapore</b>	World's Best Airports 2025	Changi Airport No. 1 for the 13th time; Awards in Madrid; 2nd-Hamad (Doha), 3rd-Haneda (Tokyo)
<b>Nathatop, Udhampur (Jammu and Kashmir)</b>	Himalayan Climate Research Center	Opening 8 April 2025; elevation 2,250 m; Focus on Himalayan Climate Studies
<b>India (UNESCO)</b>	6 new properties on UNESCO tentative list	7 March 2025; New Properties: Kanger Valley NP (Chhattisgarh), Mudumal Megalithic Menhir (Telangana), Ashokan Inscription Site, Chausath Yogini Temple, Gupta Temple, Palace-Fort of Bundela; Tentative List of India = 62 sites; World Heritage List = 43 sites
<b>Shivpuri, Madhya Pradesh</b>	Madhav National Park – 58th Tiger Reserve	Announced: 9 March 2025; India 's 58th, MP's 9th; Area 355 sq km
<b>Prayagraj, Uttar Pradesh</b>	The country's first permanent artagram	Decision: 11 March 2025; Under the North Central Zone Cultural Centre; Completed in 1 year

<b>Indore, Madhya Pradesh</b>	India's first PPP green waste processing plant	Swachh Bharat Mission (Urban); IMC + Astronomical Industries Pvt. Ltd.; Green Waste Processing
<b>Baddi- Barotiwala-Nalagarh, Himachal Pradesh</b>	First Green Hydrogen + 2G Ethanol Plant	Integrated facility of API + Green Hydrogen + 2G ethanol; MoU: 5 March 2025
<b>Ballia, Uttar Pradesh</b>	Chittu Pandey Memorial	'The Lion of Ballia'; Leaders of the 1942 Quit India Movement
<b>Gurugram, Haryana</b>	India's First World Peace Centre	Inauguration: Ram Nath Kovind; Leadership: Acharya Lokesh Muni; Ahimsa Vishwa Bharati
<b>Kerala</b>	Senior Citizens Commission	India's first state; Act 2025; Statutory Bodies
<b>Debrigarh, Odisha</b>	First Indian Bison Festival	27 March 2025; Gaur Conservation; Census: 669 bison
<b>Rameswaram, Tamil Nadu</b>	India's First Vertical Lift Rail Bridge	the new Pamban rail bridge; Opening: 6 April 2025; Travel time < 5 minutes
<b>Haryana</b>	India's First Hydrogen Train	Jind-Sonipat route; Hydrogen Fuel-Cell; Zero-carbon target 2030
<b>Palakkad, Kerala</b>	110+ Megalithic Burial Sites	ASI Search; Malampuzha dam area; 45 hectares
<b>Surat (Kosamba), Gujarat</b>	First AI-Powered Solar Manufacturing Line	Goldi Solar; Inauguration: Pralhad Joshi; Capacity 14 GW
<b>Varanasi</b>	Multi-Modal Logistics Parks (MMLP)	MoU between NHLML + IWAI; 150 acres; 650 metres of access road from NH-7; Enhanced Logistics Efficiency
<b>Bhiwandi</b>	The first temple of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj	Inauguration: CM Devendra Fadnavis; Architect: Vijaykumar Patil; 6.5 Feet Statue: Arun Yogiraj
<b>Tripura (Sepahijala)</b>	ALIMCO 's First AAPC	Purba Lakshmbil; Laying: 1 March 2025; Accessories Manufacturing for the NE Region
<b>Manakudy Mangrove</b>	The first breeding centre for the blue-cheeked bee-eater	Location: Andiwilay Plain; scientific name Merops persicus; IUCN: LC
<b>Okhla Vihar Metro Station</b>	First vertical bifacial solar power plant	Solar energy from both sides; Without additional land use
<b>Padmaja Naidu Himalayan Zoological Park</b>	The first biobank at the zoo	"Frozen Zoo"; Next: Delhi National Zoo, Nandankanan
<b>India Meteorological Department, New Delhi</b>	First Open-Air Art Wall Museum	38 murals; meteorological history; Delhi Street Art Support
<b>Indore &amp; Udaipur</b>	Ramsar Wetland City Recognition	India's First 2 Cities; Global List 74 cities
<b>Sonamarg Tunnel</b>	Z-Morh Tunnel Inauguration	Opening: 13 January 2025; Length ~12km; Cost ₹2700+ crore
<b>Pangong Lake</b>	Statue of Shivaji Maharaj	Elevation 14,300 feet; near the LAC; Maratha Light Infantry
<b>Bhubaneswar</b>	18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas 2025	January 8-10; Theme: Contribution of Diaspora to Viksit Bharat; Chief Guest: President of Trinidad and Tobago
<b>Soreng</b>	First Organic Fisheries Cluster	under PMMSY; Organic Fisheries & Aquaculture

<b>Dibrugarh</b>	Second Capital of Assam (2027)	Assembly premises proposed; Tezpur, Silchar
<b>Vadnagar</b>	Archaeological Experiential Museum	Opening: January 16; AR/VR based experience
<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	Forest Ecosystem + Green GDP	For the first time in the country; Economic Assessment of Environmental Services
<b>Musi River Historical Buildings of Hyderabad (Telangana) and Bhuj Historical Water Systems (Gujarat)</b>	World Monuments Watch 2025 List	Included in 25 sites affected by water crisis and climate change; The list is released by the WMF every two years.
<b>Yala Glacier (Nepal)</b>	Global Glacier Casualty List	Feared to disappear by 2040; shrunk by 680 m in 1974–2021; Declared "Critically Endangered"
<b>Kanyakumari (Tamil Nadu)</b>	India's first glass bridge over the sea	Connects Thiruvalluvar Statue and Vivekananda Rock Memorial; Cost ₹37 crore; 77 meters long
<b>IIT Madras (Tamil Nadu)</b>	Asia's largest Shallow Wave Basin research facility	Developed under NTCPWC; For Research & Industrial Needs
<b>Bengaluru – BMCRI (Karnataka)</b>	South India's First Infectious Disease Research and Diagnosis Laboratory	Research on bacterial, fungal and parasitic diseases
<b>Pune (Maharashtra)</b>	Nadi Tarangini Ayurvedic Equipment	India's first Ayurvedic pulse diagnostic device approved by CDSCO
<b>Kilokari, South Delhi</b>	India's First Battery Energy Storage System (BESS)	Commissioned in March 2025; 20 MW/s 40 MW-hour capacity; Reliance-Delhi Government Joint Venture
<b>Prayagraj (Uttar Pradesh)</b>	Maha Kumbh Mela	From 13 January to 26 February (Mahashivratri); Organised at Triveni Sangam; The world's largest spiritual gathering
<b>Maharashtra</b>	Dedicated AI Policy	A 16-member committee for AI policy 2025; India's first state to develop dedicated AI policy

### Awards & Honors

#### National Awards

#### Important personalities

#### 59th Jnanpith Awards

- Renowned Hindi litterateur Vinod Kumar Shukla was given the 59th Jnanpith Award for the year 2024.
- He is the 12th Hindi language writer to receive this award.
- This was the first time that a litterateur from Chhattisgarh received this honor.
- She has also received the Sahitya Akademi Award in 1999 for the novel 'Deewar Mein Ek Khirki Rahi Thi'.
- The 58th Jnanpith Award 2023 was given to Jagadguru Rambhadracharyaji for Sanskrit and Gulzar for Urdu.

#### Jnanpith Award

- The Jnanpith Award is given by the Bharatiya Jnanpith Trust.
- The award carries a cash prize of Rs 11 lakh, a citation and a statue of Vagdevi (Goddess Saraswati).
- This award is given only to an Indian citizen.
- The award is given for outstanding writing in Indian language and English.

### Sahitya Akademi Children's Literature Award 2025

- The Bal Sahitya Puraskar ceremony organized by Sahitya Akademi on 14th November 2025 in New Delhi.
- The award awarded ₹50,000 and a bronze plaque to the winners.

Language	Composition	Author
Hindi	Ek Bate Barah (Non-Fiction/Memoir)	Sushil Shukla
English	South: South Indian Myths and Legends (Stories)	Nitin Kushalappa MP
of Rajasthan	Pankheruv ni Pain (Play)	Bhogilal Patidar

### Sahitya Akademi Youth and Children's Literature Awards 2025

- Sahitya Akademi announced the winners of the Yuva Puraskar and Bal Sahitya Puraskar for the year 2025 on 18th June 2025.
- President of Sahitya Akademi: Shri Madhav Kaushik

#### Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar 2025

- In this, the names of 23 writers were announced for the Sahitya Akademi Yuva Puraskar .
- **Note:** No award was given in Dogri language this year.

#### Sahitya Akademi Youth Award 2025 (Main)

Language	Name of the book (Genre)	Author's Name
English	Siddhartha: The Boy Who Became the Buddha (novel)	Advait Kottari
Hindi	Phir Ugna (Poem)	Parvati Tirkey
Rajasthani	Antaras Rai Angane (Poem)	Poonam Chand Godara
Sanskrit	Paribhashikshabdaswarasyam (Vedantaparibhashasandarbhe) (Critique)	Dheeraj Kumar Pandey
Urdu	Mazharul Haq: Tariq-e-Azadi-e-Hind: Hind Ka Faramosh Karda Quaid (Novel)	Neha Rubab

- The selection of books for the Youth Award is done on the basis of the recommendation of the respective Language Selection Committees.
- The award is given to books published by young authors up to the age of 35 years or below on 1st January in the award year.
- The award carries a copper plaque and an amount of Rs. 50,000/-.

#### Sahitya Akademi Children's Literature Award 2025

- The names of 24 winners for the Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar were announced.
- The awards pertain to books that have been published for the first time in the last five years of the year immediately preceding the award year (i.e. between 1st January 2019 to 31st December 2023).

#### Sahitya Akademi Children's Literature Award 2025 (Main)

Language	Title & Genre	Author
Hindi	Ek bate barah (Story)	Sushil Shukla
English	South, South Indian Myths and Fables Retold (story)	Nitin Kushalappa MP
Rajasthani	Pankheroov ni peeda (Drama)	Bhogilal Patidar
Sanskrit	Balvishvam (Poem)	Preeti Pujara
Urdu	Qaumi Sitare (Article)	Rajnafar Iqbal

- The selection of books for children's literature is done on the basis of the recommendations of the respective Language Selection Committees.
- The award carries a copper plaque and an amount of Rs. 50,000/-.

### Hardik Singh nominated for Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award

- Indian men's hockey team vice-captain Hardik Singh has been nominated for the Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award at the National Sports Awards 2025.
- The nominations were finalized by the Award Selection Panel on 24th December 2025.
- The Khel Ratna is India's highest sporting honour, which consists of a medal, citation and a cash prize of Rs 25 lakh.
- So far, six hockey players in the country have received this honor, including Dhanraj Pillai, Sardar Singh, Rani Rampal, PR Sreejesh, Manpreet Singh and Harmanpreet Singh.

### Achievements of Hardik Singh

- Since 2018, he has been a key midfield player for the Indian hockey team at the senior international level.
- He was part of the Indian team that won bronze medals at the Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024 Olympics.
- Contributed to the Asian Cup 2025, Asian Champions Trophy 2023, Asian Games gold medals .
- Awarded Arjuna Award in the year 2021.
- Hockey India Player of the Year in the year 2022 and 2023.
- Awarded the FIH Player of the Year in the year 2023.

### Other National Sports Awards

- A total of 24 sportspersons have been recommended for the Arjuna Award in 2025.
- For the first time, **Yogasana athlete Aarti Pal** has been nominated for the Arjuna Award.
- Aarti Pal is the reigning national and Asian yogasana champion.

### Sportspersons nominated for Arjuna Award

No.	Name of the Player	Sport
1	Tejaswin Shankar	Athletics
2	Priyanka	Athletics
3	Narendra	Boxing
4	Vidit Gujarati	chess
5	Divya Deshmukh	chess
6	Dhanush Srikanth	Deaf Shooting
7	Pranati Nayak	gymnastics
8	Rajkumar Pal	hockey game
9	Surjit	Kabaddi
10	<b>Nirmala Bhati</b>	Kho-kho
11	<b>Rudransh Khandelwal</b>	Para-Shooting
12	Unity is terrible.	Para-Athletics
13	<b>Padmanabh Singh</b>	Polo
14	Arvind Singh	Rowing
15	Akhil Sheoran	shooting
16	Mehuli Ghosh	shooting
17	Sutirtha Mukherji	Table Tennis
18	Sonam Malik	wrestling
19	Aarti Pal	yogasana
20	Treesa Jolly	Badminton
21	Gayatri Gopichand	Badminton
22	Lalremsiami	hockey
23	Mohamed Afsal	Athletics
24	Puja	Kabaddi

## Major National Sports Awards

S. No.	Name of the Award	Start year	Given for
1	Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award	1991–92	India's highest sports honour (formerly named: Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award)
2	Arjuna Award	1961	Sportspersons for outstanding sports performance
3	Dronacharya Award	1985	For outstanding training and contribution to sports coaches
4	Dhyan Chand Award	2002	For lifetime achievement and contribution to sports
5	Maulana Abul Kalam Azad (MAKA) Trophy	1956–57	University that excels in inter-university tournaments

### Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2025

- The Pradhan Mantri Rashtriya Bal Puraskar 2025 was conferred by the President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu on 26th December 2025 on the occasion of Veer Bal Diwas.
- Under this, 20 children (2 posthumously) from 18 States and Union Territories were awarded for their outstanding performance and indomitable courage in various fields.

### Sansad Ratna Award 2025

- Total Selection: 17 MPs + 2 Parliamentary Standing Committees
- Objectives: Outstanding contribution to Parliament, active participation, asking questions, participating in debates and respect for legislative suggestions.

### Member of Parliament (for outstanding work in the Tradition)

Name	Party
Bhartruhari Mahtab	BJP
Supriya Sule	NCP (Sharad Pawar faction)
N.K. Premachandran	RSP
Srirang Appa Barane	Shiv Sena

- All these MPs have been continuously active in the 16th and 17th Lok Sabha.

### Sansad Ratna Awardee Member of Parliament (13 MPs)

Name of MP	Party
Smita Wagh	BJP
Arvind Sawant	Shiv Sena (Uddhav faction)
Naresh Ganpat Mhaske	Shiv Sena
Varsha Gaikwad	Congress
Medha Kulkarni	BJP
Pravin Patel	BJP
Ravi Kishan	BJP
Nishikant Dubey	BJP
Bidyut Baran Mahato	BJP
Madan Rathod	BJP
P.P. Chowdhury	BJP
C.N. Annadurai	DMK
Dilip Saikia	BJP

### Honored Parliamentary Committees

Committee	Chairperson
Standing Committee on Finance	Bhartruhari Mahtab
Standing Committee on Agriculture	Charanjit Singh Channi

### National Science Awards 2025

- The President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu presented the National Science Awards 2025 in New Delhi .
- The award is the country's highest honour for exceptional contribution in the field of science, technology and innovation.
- The second edition was held in the year 2025.

#### Categories of the Award

- The National Science Awards were presented in four categories:
  1. Vigyan Ratna
  2. Vigyan Shri
  3. Young Scientist – Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar
  4. Vigyan Team

#### Vigyan Ratna Award

- The Vigyan Ratna Award was posthumously awarded to Prof. Jayant Vishnu Narlikar was awarded the award.
- He was a distinguished Indian astrophysicist and cosmologist.
- He developed the Hoyle-Narlikar theory linking gravity and material formation.
- This theory presented a scientific framework of the steady-state universe in the 1960s.
- Apart from this, eight scientists were honored with the Vigyan Shri award.
- Fourteen young scientists were awarded the Vigyan Yuva – Shanti Swarup Bhatnagar Award.
- The Science Team Award was given to CSIR's Aroma Mission team.

### Shilp Guru and National Handicrafts Awards (2023–2024)

- President Droupadi Murmu presented the awards on 9th December 2025 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- A total of 48 awards were presented for the year 2023–24, which included 12 Shilp Guru Awards, 36 National Handicrafts Awards, and 2 Special Design and Innovation Awards. (Winners include 20 women)

#### Shilp Guru Award

Year	Winner (State)	Craft/ Art
2024	<b>Kamlesh Sharma (Rajasthan)</b>	<b>Wood Craft</b>
2024	Subhash Arora (Haryana)	Dhokra Metal Craft
2024	Shaheen Anjum (Delhi)	Wood Craft (Jewelry Box)
2024	Mohd. Dilshad (Uttar Pradesh)	Sheesham Wood Carving
2024	Tarith Paul (West Bengal)	Clay Modeling
2024	Shobharani Poddar (West Bengal)	Jute Craft
2023	Ajit Kumar Das (West Bengal)	Hand-painted textiles
2023	Sudhir Kumar Maharana (Odisha)	Portrait painting
2023	D. Sivamma (Andhra Pradesh)	Leather puppetry
2023	Dolon Kundu Mandal (West Bengal)	Terracotta Art
2023	Khatri Ghulam Hussain Umar (Gujarat)	Bandana Clothing
2023	Madhuri Mishra (Uttar Pradesh)	Batik Printing

- The Shilp Guru Awards are given since 2002 and are the highest national honour in the handicrafts sector.

#### National Handicrafts Awards

Year	Name	State	Field/ art
2024	T. Baskaran	Tamil Nadu	Stone Crafts

2024	Roopban Chitrakar	West Bengal	Painting
2024	Baldev Baghmare	Madhya Pradesh	Tribal Artisans
2023	Hirabai Jhareka Baghel	Chhattisgarh	Metal Crafts
2023	Imtiaz Ahmed	Uttar Pradesh	Handmade carpet
2023	<b>Roshan Chhipa</b>	<b>Rajasthan</b>	<b>Artistic Textiles</b>

## Other major awards

Person/Institution	Honors/Achievements	Key Details
<b>Raveena Tandon</b>	PETA India 'Person of the Year 2025'	Long-term work for animal rights, support for humanitarian education, wildlife conservation and public awareness campaigns
<b>Jay Shah</b>	"Indian of the Year 2025" (Outstanding Achievement)	Reforms in Women's Cricket (WPL), Equal Match Fees, Efforts to Include Cricket in the Olympics
<b>Prof. Banwari Lal Gaur</b>	National Dhanvantari Ayurveda Awards 2025	Contribution of 60+ Years, 31 Books, 300+ Research Works, Sanskrit Scholarship
<b>Vaidya Neelkandan Moose E.T.</b>	National Dhanvantari Ayurveda Awards 2025	Vaidyaratnam Group Leadership, 200-Year-Old Tradition, Global Spread of Kerala Ayurveda
<b>Vaidya Bhawana Parashar</b>	National Dhanvantari Ayurveda Awards 2025	Ayurgenomics, Coordination of Nature-Tridosha and Genomics, AI/ML Based Protocols
<b>Mohanlal</b>	Dadasaheb Phalke Award	400+ Films, 2 National Film Awards (Best Actor), Honors at the 71st National Film Awards ceremony
<b>Prof. Shyam Sundar Rai</b>	National Geoscience Award – Lifetime Achievement	Long-term outstanding contribution to geology
<b>Sushobhan Niyogi</b>	National Young Geoscientist Award	Notable Research and Contributions in Youth
<b>Dr. Manmohan Singh MD</b>	(Posthumous) P. V. Narasimha Rao Memorial Award – Economics	One of the architects of the 1991 economic reforms; The award was received by his wife Gursharan Kaur
<b>Anand V. Patil</b>	Prof. V.K. Gokak Award	Contributions to Kannada Children's Literature; Recipient of Central Sahitya Akademi Bal Sahitya Puraskar
<b>National Teachers (45)</b>	National Award to Teachers 2025	5 September 2025 (Teacher's Day); 24 male, 21 female; Neelam Yadav (GGSS Tapukra) selected from Rajasthan
<b>Indian Armed Forces CAPF</b>	Gallantry Awards 2025	127 Gallantry Awards and 40 Distinguished Service Awards to be announced on 14th August 2025
<b>CRPF</b>	Gallantry Award (Special Contribution)	23 awards (including 3 Shaurya Chakras) in J&K and anti-Maoist operations.
<b>Nitin Gadkari</b>	43rd Lokmanya Tilak National Award	Lokmanya Tilak Smarak Trust; Contribution to Nation Building; ₹1 lakh and mementos
<b>Dr. V. Narayanan MD</b>	G.P. Birla Memorial Award 2025	ISRO Leadership, Cryogenic Propulsion; Gaganyaan, Chandrayaan-3, Aditya-L1
<b>Dharmendra Pradhan</b>	Kalinga Ratna Awards 2024	Educational reform and policy leadership; By Sarala Sahitya Sansad

<b>Sharan Kumar Limbale</b>	Chintha Ravindran Award 2025	Literature and Social Thought; ₹50,000, Memento, Citation
<b>Dr. Sonal Mansingh MD</b>	Srimanta Sankardev Award (2023)	Government of Assam; Contribution to Odissi and Bharatanatyam; ₹5 lakh
<b>Nagashankar Temple</b>	Honour for Turtle Conservation	May 23, 2025 (World Turtle Day); Ideal temple declared
<b>10 Indian women</b>	Maritime Field Honors	May 18, 2025; International Maritime Women's Day; Target: 12% female representation by 2030
<b>Kumar Mangalam Birla</b>	Lata Deenanath Mangeshkar Award 2025	24 April 2024, Mumbai; by Master Deenanath Mangeshkar Memorial Foundation; Extraordinary contribution to nation, society and art
<b>Rajesh Unni</b>	National Marine Varuna Awards 2025	India's highest individual honour in the maritime sector; by DGS; Synergy Marine Group Founder
<b>Vaidya Tara Chand Sharma</b>	National Dhanvantari Ayurveda Awards 2025	Famous Nadi Vaidya and Writer; Honoured by Ministry of Ayush
<b>Vaidya Maya Ram Uniyal</b>	National Dhanvantari Ayurveda Awards 2025	Specialization in Dravyaguna Vigyan and contribution to Ayurveda
<b>Vaidya Sameer Govind Jamadagni</b>	National Dhanvantari Ayurveda Awards 2025	Founder of the World Grammar National Conference and Vishwa Ayurveda Prabodhini

#### Padma Awards 2025

- A total of 139 names have been announced for the Padma Awards for the year 2025 .
- The list comprises 7 Padma Vibhushan, 19 Padma Bhushan and 113 Padma Shri Awards.
- Of the awardees, 23 are women and the list includes foreigners in the category/category. NRI/NRI PIO/PIO. There are also 10 individuals and 13 posthumous awardees from OCI.
- The Padma Awards are one of the highest civilian awards of India. It is conferred in three categories, namely, Padma Vibhushan, Padma Bhushan and Padma Shri.

#### Padma Vibhushan (7)

S.No.	Name	Field	State/Country
1.	Sri Duvvur Nageswara Reddy	Medicine	Telangana
2.	Shri Justice (Retd.) Shri Jagdish Singh Khehar	Public Affairs	Chandigarh
3.	Smt. Kumudini Rajinikanth Lakhia	Art	Gujarat
4.	Sri Lakshminarayana Subramaniam	Art	Karnataka
5.	Shri M. T. Vasudevan Nair (Posthumously)	Literature and Education	Kerala
6.	Mr. Osamu Suzuki (Posthumously)	Trade and Industry	Japan
7.	Smt. Sharda Sinha (Posthumously)	Art	Bihar

#### Padma Bhushan (19)

S.No.	name	field	State/Country
1.	Shri A. Surya Prakash	Literature and Education-Journalism	Karnataka
2.	Shri Anant Nag	Art	Karnataka
3.	SHRI VIVEK DEBROY (posthumously)	Literature and Education	NCT Delhi
4.	Shri Jatin Goswami	Art	Assam
5.	Mr. Jose Chacko Periappuram	Medicine	Kerala
6.	Shri Kailash Nath Dixit	Other-archaeology	NCT Delhi

7.	SHRI MANOHAR JOSHI (posthumously)	Public Affairs	Maharashtra
8.	Shri Nalli Kuppaswami Chetty	Trade and Industry	Tamil Nadu
9.	Shri Nandamuri Balakrishna	Art	Andhra Pradesh
10.	Shri P.R. Sreejesh	Sports	Kerala
11.	Shri Pankaj Patel	Trade and Industry	Gujarat
12.	Shri Pankaj Udhas (Posthumously)	Art	Maharashtra
13.	Shri Ram Bahadur Rai	Literature and Education- Journalism	Uttar Pradesh
14.	Sadhvi Ritambhara	Social Work	Uttar Pradesh
15.	Shri S. Ajith Kumar	Art	Tamil Nadu
16.	Mr. Shekhar Kapur	Art	Maharashtra
17.	Ms. Shobhana Chandrakumar	Art	Tamil Nadu
18.	Shri Sushil Kumar Modi (Posthumously)	Public Affairs	Bihar
19.	Shri Vinod Dham	Science and Engineering	United States

### National Sports Awards 2024

- President Droupadi Murmu presented the awards to the winners of the National Sports Awards 2024 on 17 January 2025.
- The awards were announced recently by the Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports.

#### Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award

- Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award was earlier known as Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award.
- It is the country's highest sporting honour.
- The award was instituted in 1991-92.
- The winner of this award is given ₹25 lakh as prize money.
- This year, 4 sportspersons were conferred with Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Awards. These players are-

No.	Name of the Player	Competition
1.	Shri Gukesh D	Chess
2.	Shri Harmanpreet Singh	Hockey
3.	Shri Praveen Kumar	Para Athletics
4.	Ms. Manu Bhaker	Shooting

#### Arjuna Award

- The Arjuna Award is given to the players who have performed consistently for four years.
- The award was instituted in 1961.
- The Arjuna Awardee receives a miniature statuette, a certificate and a cash prize of Rs. 15 lakh.
- This year, 32 sportspersons were given the Arjuna Awards. These players are-

No.	Name of the Player	Sport
1.	Ms. Jyothi Yarraji	Athletics
2.	Ms. Annu Rani	Athletics
3.	Ms. Neetu	Boxing
4.	Ms. Sweetie	Boxing
5.	Ms. Vantika Agarwal	Chess
6.	Ms. Salima Tete	Hockey
7.	Mr. Abhishek	Hockey
8.	Mr. Sanjay	Hockey
9.	Shri Jarmanpreet Singh	Hockey

10.	Shri Sukhjit Singh	Hockey
11.	Shri Rakesh Kumar	Para-Archery
12.	Ms. Preeti Pal	Para Athletics
13.	Ms. Jeevanji Deepti	Para Athletics
14.	Shri Ajit Singh	Para Athletics
15.	Mr. Sachin Sarjerao Khilari	Para Athletics
16.	Mr. Dharambir	Para Athletics
17.	Shri Pranav Soorma	Para Athletics
18.	Mr. H. Hokato Sema	Para Athletics
19.	Simran Ji	Para Athletics
20.	Mr. Navdeep	Para Athletics
21.	Shri Nitesh Kumar	Para-Badminton
22.	Ms. Tulsimathi Murugesan	Para-Badminton
23.	Ms. Nitya Shree Sumati Sivan	Para-Badminton
24.	Ms. Manisha Ramdas	Para-Badminton
25.	Shri Kapil Parmar	Para-Judo
26.	Ms. Mona Agarwal	Para-Shooting
27.	Ms. Rubina Francis	Para-Shooting
28.	Mr. Swapnil Suresh Kusale	Shooting
29.	Mr. Sarabjot Singh	Shooting
30.	Shri Abhay Singh	Squash
31.	Shri Sajan Prakash	Swimming
32.	Mr. Aman	Wrestling

#### **Dronacharya Award**

- The Dronacharya Award is given to the coach who has won medals in international events.
- The award was instituted in 1985.
- Under the Dronacharya (Lifetime) Award, a cash prize of ₹15 lakh is given, and regular Dronacharya Award winners are awarded ₹10 lakh.

#### **Dronacharya Award 2024**

- This year, 5 coaches were given Dronacharya Awards (Regular and Lifetime). These coaches are:

#### **Dronacharya Award: Regular Category**

No.	Name of the Coach	Sport
1.	Shri Subhash Rana	Para-Shooting
2.	Ms. Deepali Deshpande	Shooting
3.	Mr. Sandeep Sangwan	Hockey

#### **Dronacharya Award: Lifetime Category**

No.	Name of the Coach	Sport
4.	Shri S. Muraleedharan	Badminton
5.	Mr. Armando Agnello Colaco	Football

#### **Dhyan Chand Award for Lifetime Achievement in Sports**

- Dhyan Chand Award is given to sportspersons who have made special contributions in the field of sports.
- The awardee also receives a miniature statuette, a certificate and a cash prize of Rs. 10 lakhs.
- This year, 2 players will be given this award. These are:

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No.	Name of the Player	Sport
1.	Mr. Sucha Singh	Athletics
2.	Shri Murlikant Rajaram Petkar	Para- swimming

- Chandigarh University awarded Maulana Abul Kalam Azad M.A.K.A. Trophy for best performance at Khelo India University Games.

**India's Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award to Christine Carla Kangaloo**

- She is the President of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago.
- It is a recognition of his exceptional achievements in public life and his efforts to enhance India's prestige internationally.
- Kangaloo was the Chief Guest during the 18th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention.
- Apart from this, Dr. Syed Anwar Khurshid was awarded the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman, the highest honor for overseas Indians, by the Government of India.

**EY Entrepreneur of the Year 2024 India Awards**

- Recently, Nitin Kamath, CEO of Zerodha Limited, was awarded the EY Entrepreneur of the Year 2024 India Award.

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### National Energy Conservation Awards 2025

- President Droupadi Murmu presented the National Energy Conservation Awards 2025 at a ceremony held in New Delhi on 14th December 2025.
- The event was held on the occasion of National Energy Conservation Day (December 14).
- It was organized by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE) under the Union Ministry of Power.
- These awards aim to raise awareness about energy efficiency and energy conservation.

### Best Performing States in Energy Efficiency

Group	First Ranked State/ State Union Territories
Group 1	Karnataka
Group 2	Andhra Pradesh
Group 3	Kerala
Group 4	Assam
Group 5	Chandigarh

### Urban Mobility India (UMI) 2025 announces awards in 8 categories

- At the three-day Urban Mobility India (UMI) Conference and Exhibition 2025 held in Gurugram, the Union Minister presented awards in eight categories.
- The logo and official website of the Pradhan Mantri e-Bus Seva Yojana were launched during the event.
- The 19th UMI Conference will take place on 23–25 October 2026 in Bhubaneswar, Odisha.
- These awards were given with the aim of encouraging excellence and best practices in urban transport.

### Transport Sector – Award List

Category	Winner/ / Commendation	Institution/ city
Best Public Transportation System	Winner	Chennai
	Commendation	Hubli–Dharwad BRTS
Best Non-Motorized Transportation System	Winner	Udaipur
	Special Mention	Thrissur State Mission Management
The most innovative financing mechanism	Winner	Pimpri Chinchwad
Best Green Transportation Initiatives	Winner	Hyderabad (TGREDCO)
	Commendation	Kochi Metro Rail
Metro with the best multimodal integration	Winner	Chennai Metro
Metro with the best passenger services and satisfaction	Winner	Delhi Metro
	Commendation	Chennai Metro

### Lucknow – UNESCO Creative City of Gastronomy 2025 declared

- Lucknow was declared the 'Creative City of Gastronomy' for the year 2025 at the 43rd session of the UNESCO General Conference held in Uzbekistan.
- Lucknow became the second city in India to receive this honor, while Hyderabad had earlier received this recognition.
- With this achievement, the total number of cities in India in the UNESCO Creative Cities Network (UCCN) has increased to 9.

**Indian cities included in UCCN**

Year	City	Category
2015	Jaipur	Crafts and Folk Arts
2015	Varanasi	Music
2017	Chennai	Music
2019	Mumbai	Film
2019	Hyderabad	Cooking
2021	Srinagar	Crafts and Folk Arts
2023	Kozhikode	Literature
2023	Gwalior	Music

**National Water Awards 2024**

- The 6th National Water Awards 2024 were announced on 11th November 2025 by the Union Minister of Jal Shakti, C.R. Patil in New Delhi.
- A total of 46 winners were selected in 10 categories to recognize outstanding contribution in water conservation and management .

**1. Best State:** Maharashtra received the Best State award, while Gujarat and Haryana ranked second and third, respectively.

**2. Best District (Zone-wise First Prize)**

Zone	Best District
Eastern Zone	Rajnandgaon (Chhattisgarh)
Western Zone	Khargone (Madhya Pradesh)
Southern Zone	Tirunelveli (Tamil Nadu)
Northern Zone	Mirzapur (Uttar Pradesh)
North-East Zone	Sipahijala (Tripura)

**3. Best ULBs:** Navi Mumbai, Maharashtra

**Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari (JSJB) Awards**

- The Union Ministry of Jal Shakti announced the JSJB 2025 awards for outstanding performers under the Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari (JSJB) initiative.
- The awards were conferred by the President of India on 18th November 2025 along with the National Water Awards 2025 at Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi.
- The awards felicitated the best State/UT, Outstanding Districts, Municipal Corporations, ULBs, Ministries, NGOs, Industry Associations and philanthropists.
- A total of 100 awards were given this year, with the top performing districts getting Rs 2 crore, the second category districts Rs 1 crore, and the third category being given Rs 25 lakh.

**Best Performing States/UTs**

Category	Rank	State/ Union Territories
Best Performing State/UT	1	Telangana
Best Performing State/UT	2	Chhattisgarh
Best Performing State/UT	3	Rajasthan

- Raipur, Hyderabad, and Gorakhpur have been selected in the municipal category, while Guna (MP) will get the award in the urban local body category.
- The Ministry of Railways, Department of Water Resources and Ganga Rejuvenation, and Defence Estates have been selected as the best partner Ministries/Departments.
- In the NGO category, Jaltara Save Groundwater, Girganga Parivar, and Art of Living are the winners.

**Swachh Vayu Survekshan Awards 2025**

- Union Environment Minister Bhupender Yadav felicitated the top performing cities under the National Clean Air Programme (NCAP).
- Indore and Udaipur were especially appreciated for getting wetland city recognition under the Ramsar Convention.

**Clean Air Champions (NCAP Top Performing Cities)**

**Category 1 (Population > 10 million):**

- Indore – Score: 200/200; Prize: ₹1.5 crore
- Jabalpur – Score: 199/200; Award ₹1 crore
- Agra & Surat – Score: 196/200; Prize: ₹25 lakh each

**Category 2 (Population 3–10 lakh):**

- Amravati – Score: 200/200; Award ₹75 lakh
- Jhansi and Moradabad – Score: 198.5/200; Prize: ₹25 lakh each
- Alwar – Score: 197.6/200; Prize: ₹25 lakh

**Category 3 (Population < 3 lakh):**

- Devas – Score: 193/200; Prize: ₹37.5 lakh
- Parwanoo – Score: 191.5/200; Prize: ₹25 lakh
- Angul – Score: 191/200; Prize: ₹12.5 lakh

**Wetland City Recognition (Ramsar Convention)**

- Indore – For Excellent Urban Wetland Management
- Udaipur – For lake protection and eco-tourism
- India now has 91 Ramsar sites (25 in 2014). Their total area is 13.6 lakh hectares.
- India has the highest number of Ramsar sites in Asia and the third largest in the world.

**National e-Governance Awards 2025**

- National Awards 2025 were conferred on Gram Panchayats during the 28th National e-Governance Conference held in Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh .
- The award was given to Gram Panchayats under the new category for digital service delivery at grassroots level.
- Each award was accompanied by a trophy, certificate and financial incentive — gold (Rs 10 lakh) and silver (Rs 5 lakh).

**Winning Gram Panchayats:**

Award	Gram Panchayat	District	State	Sarpanch	Notable Achievement
Gold	The name of the fourth constellation	Dhule	Maharashtra	Dr. Anandrao Pawara	The first Gram Panchayat in Maharashtra to adopt a completely paperless e-office system.
Silver	West Majlishpur	West Tripura	Tripura	Mrs. Anita Deb Das	Introduced digital monitoring of births, deaths, marriages and estate services.
Jury	Palsana	Surat	Gujarat	Shri Pravinbhai Parshottambhai Aahir	Tax payments, grievance redressal and welfare services linked to Digital Gujarat and Gram Suvidha.
Jury	Suacati	Kendujhar	Odisha	Mrs. Kautuka Naik	Ensured 24/7 digital services and women-led service delivery.

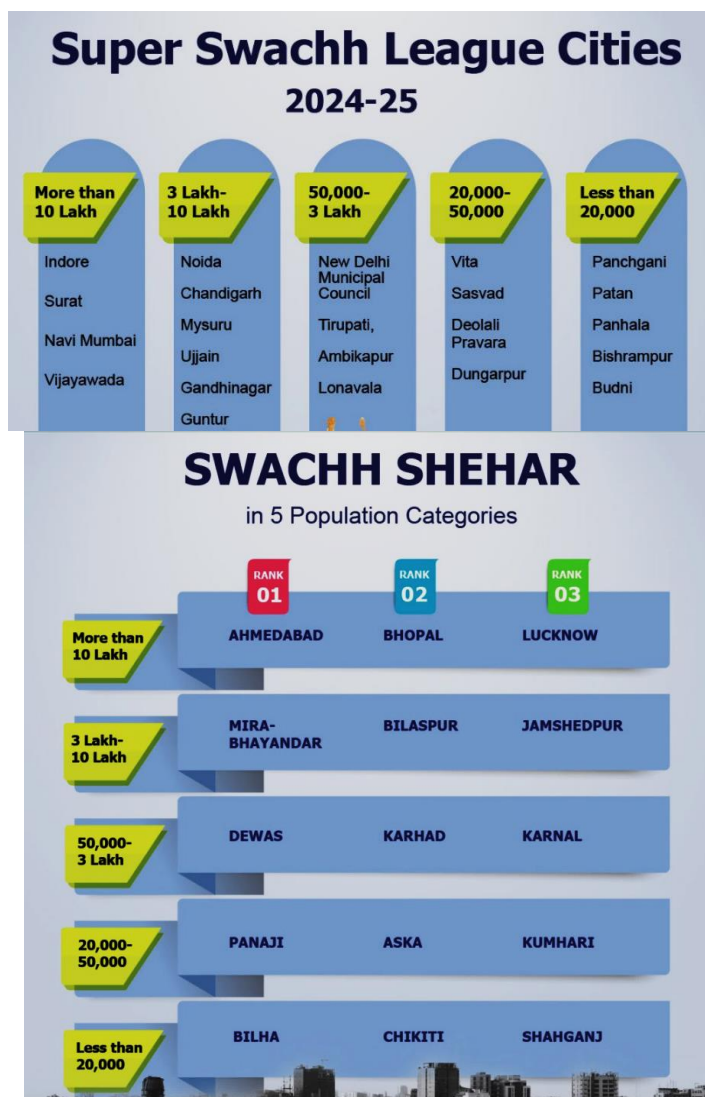
**Swachh Survekshan 2024–25 Awards**

- The President of India, Smt. Droupadi Murmu distributed the awards at Vigyan Bhawan in New Delhi on 17th July 2025.
- The Swachh Survekshan 2024-25 awards, organized by the Union Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA), were presented.
- Among the Swachh Survekshan Awards, 43 National Awards were announced, including special recognition to Mahakumbh.
- In this, 23 Super Swachh League cities were awarded.

**Main winning cities**

Category	Winner
Premier Super Clean League	Indore, Surat, Navi Mumbai
New Top Clean Cities in India	Ahmedabad, Bhopal, Lucknow
Best Ganga City	Prayagraj
Best Cantonment Board	Secunderabad
Safai Mitra Safe City	Visakhapatnam, Jabalpur, Gorakhpur

- Prayagraj Mela officials and the Municipal Corporation were honored with a special award (for excellent waste management) for Mahakumbh 2024.
- Under this, 78 cities were given awards in 4 categories by the President .



- Under this, the "Prospect of Future Outstanding Performance" awards were given to cities from 34 States/UTs.

- In this, all cities, big and small, have been given equal opportunities on the basis of the principle of 'One City, One Award'.

**Bhadradri Kothagudem (Telangana) awarded the open-source GIS award**

- Bhadradri Kothagudem district of **Telangana** was awarded the Open-Source GIS Cohort Award for effective use of GIS technology for public welfare.
- The award was received for the innovative use of GIS in the prediction of Godavari river floods and the solution of related public problems.

**New category introduced in National e-Governance Awards 2025**

- Under the National e-Governance Awards (NaeG) 2025, a special category has been introduced to recognize digital innovation in Gram Panchayats.
- **Objective:** To make service delivery at the grassroots level transparent, effective and citizen-friendly.
- Name of the new category: "Grassroots level initiatives to broaden service delivery in Gram Panchayats or equivalent traditional bodies"
- Gold Award: Rohini Gram Panchayat, Dhule, Maharashtra.

**National Panchayat Awards 2025**

- Prime Minister Narendra Modi distributed the awards on National Panchayat Day in Madhubani district of Bihar on 24th April 2025.
- 1st Prize Amount: ₹1 crore, 2nd: ₹75 lakh, Third: ₹50 lakh.

**3 main categories and winners of National Panchayat Award:**

**Climate Action Special Panchayat Award:** First Place: Dava S Gram Panchayat, Gondia, Maharashtra

**Atmanirbhar Panchayat Special Award:** 1st Place: Mal Gram Panchayat, Ranga Reddy, Telangana

**Panchayat Capacity Building BEst Institute Award:** First Place: Kerala Institute of Local Administration, Kerala

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Institution	Honors/Achievements	Key Details
<b>Centre for Development of Telematics (C-DOT)</b>	IEEE Standards Association Corporate Award 2025	India's first and world's 5th organization; Contribution to Wireless Broadband, Rural 5G, Telecommunication Education and Standards-Based Innovation
<b>Bank of Baroda</b>	Best Bank in India – The Banker Awards 2025 (Asia-Pacific)	By Financial Times Group's The Banker; digital banking model, innovation, and financial inclusion
<b>State Bank of India (SBI)</b>	World's Best Consumer Bank 2025 and Best Bank in India 2025	Global Finance (USA); Digital Innovation, Customer Service & Financial Inclusion
<b>India Post Payments Bank (IPPB)</b>	Digital Payment Awards 2024–25	Ministry of Finance (DFS); Outstanding contribution to digital transactions and financial inclusion
<b>Indian Renewable Energy Development Agency (IREDA)</b>	'Excellent' rating (FY 2023–24)	DPE MoU Evaluation; Top CPSEs in Power & NBFC Sector; 4th year in a row excellent
<b>Reserve Bank of India (RBI)</b>	Digital Transformation Award 2025	Central Banking (London); for 'Sarathi' and 'Pravah' Digital Initiatives
<b>Muthoot Microfin</b>	SKOCH Awards 2025 – Two gold	Digital Financial Inclusion; Best Insurance Plan in BFSI
<b>Vantara</b>	National Prani Mitra Award 2025	Animal welfare; Rescue and treatment of elephants; Jamnagar (Gujarat)

<b>Indian National Centre for Ocean Information Services (INCOIS)</b>	Subhash Chandra Bose Aapda Prabandhan Puraskar 2025	Institutional Category; Outstanding work in disaster management; ₹51 Lakh & Certificates
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## Various Film Awards

### 71st National Film Awards 2023

- The 71st National Film Awards for the films of the year 2023 were announced on 1st August 2025 at a ceremony held in New Delhi.

#### Major Winner (Feature Film Category)

- Best Feature Film: 12th Fail (Director: Vidhu Vinod Chopra)
- Best Entertaining Film: Rocky and Rani ki Prem Kahani (Director: Karan Johar)
- Social Film: Sam Bahadur (Director: Meghna Gulzar)
- Best Children's Film: Naal 2 (Marathi)
- Best Film in AVGC Category: Hanu-Maan (Telugu)
- Best Director: Sudipto Sen (The Kerala Story)
- Best Actor in a Leading Role (Shared): Shah Rukh Khan (Jawan), Vikram Massey (12th Fail)
- Best Actress: Rani Mukerji (Mrs Chatterjee vs Norway)
- Supporting Actor (Shared): Vijayaraghavan (Pookkalam - Malayalam), Muthupettai Somu Bhaskar (Parling - Tamil)
- Supporting Actress (Share): Urvashi (Ullozhukku Malayalam), Janaki Bodiwala (Gujarati)
- Best Child Artist (Shared): Sukrithi Veni Bandreddy (Gandhi & Chettu - Telugu), Kabir Khandare (Gypsy - Marathi), Trisha Thosar, Srinivas Pokale, Bhargava Jagtap (Naal 2)

#### Music Category

- Playback Singer: P.V.N.S. Rohit (Baby)
- Playback Singer: Shilpa Rao (Jawan-Chhaliya)

#### Non-Feature Film & Writing Category

- Best Non-Feature Film: Flowering Man (Director: Soumyajit Ghosh)
- Best Film Critic: Utpal Dutta (Assamese)

#### Dadasaheb Phalke Award

- This award was started in 1969.
- The award was added as a new category of National Awards in honour of Dadasaheb Phalke, the father of Hindi cinema.
- Devika Rani was the first film personality to receive this award.
- In the year 2024, this honor will be given to actor Mithun Chakraborty.

### Neeraj Ghaywan's Homebound wins 2 awards at Melbourne Film Festival

- Neeraj Ghaywan's latest drama film **Homebound** won 2 awards at the Indian Film Festival of Melbourne (IFFM) 2025.
  - 1. Homebound:** Best Film Award
  - 2. Neeraj Ghaywan:** Best Director Award
- The film's story focuses on displacement, belonging, and the search for identity and depicts the emotional struggle of returning home after a long time.
- The film stars Ishaan Khatter, Vishal Jetwa and Janhvi Kapoor.
- IFFM is a prestigious international platform of Indian cinema.

### Film 'Shape of Momo' selected at Cannes Film Festival

- Indian film 'Shape of Momo' is among the five Asian films selected for HAF Goes to Cannes, an initiative of the 2025 Cannes Film Festival.
- Director: Tribeni Rai (Ranipool, Sikkim)
- The film is representing India internationally

### 10th Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2025 (DPIFF 2025)

- The 10th Dadasaheb Phalke International Film Festival Awards 2025 (DPIFF 2025) was held in Mumbai.
- Kartik Aaryan won the Best Actor award and Kriti Sanon won the Best Actress award.
- The DPIFF was established in 2012 in honour of Dadasaheb Phalke (Dhundiraj Govind Phalke), the father of India's film industry.

#### DPIFF 2025 Winner List

- Best Film – Stree 2
- Best Actor – Kartik Aaryan
- Best Actor in a Leading Role (Female) – Kriti Sanon
- Best Director – Kabir Khan
- Best Producer of the Year – Dinesh Vijan
- Critics Best Film – Laapataa Ladies

### IFFI 2025 – India's First AI Film Festival and Cinema AI Hackathon

- India's first AI Film Festival was launched by Waves Film Bazaar and IFFI in association with LTIMindtree during the 56th IFFI in Goa.
- 14 filmmakers from across the globe submitted their entries, out of which 27 films were selected for the Competition section and 4 films were selected for the Non-Competition section.
- The Craft Master Award (Best AI Short Film) **went to France's "Nagori"**.
- The Craft Vanguard Award (Experimental AI Fiction) **went to Germany's "The Cinema That Never Was."**
- The Craft Spectra Award (Best AI Animation/Visual Design) **was won by the American film "Kyra"**.

### Filmfare Awards 2025

- The 70th Filmfare Awards 2025 was held at AKA Arena, Kankaria Lake in Ahmedabad.
- Kiran Rao's film 'Laapataa Ladies', which won 13 awards.

#### Main Winners

- Best Story: Article 370 (Aditya Dhar, Monal Thakkar)
- Lifetime Achievement Award: Zeenat Aman and Shyam Benegal (Posthumous)

### 25th IIFA Awards 2025

- The 25th International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) ceremony was held in Jaipur during March 8 to 9, 2025.
- The major awardees of the ceremony were as follows:

Award	Winner
Best Film	Laapataa Ladies
Best Director	Kiran Rao (Laapataa Ladies)
Best Actress	Nitanshi Goyal (Laapataa Ladies)
Best Actor	Kartik Aaryan (Bhool Bhulaiyaa 3)
Best Supporting Actor	Ravi Kishan (Laapataa Ladies)



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राजकुमार राव  
फिल्म- स्त्री 2

Best Supporting Actress Janaki Bodiwala (Shaitaan)

- The International Indian Film Academy Awards (IIFA) is a prestigious annual awards ceremony held for Indian cinema since the year 2000.

**Indian short film, Anuja nominated for 2025 Oscars**

- The film has been nominated for Best Short Film (Live Action).
- The film was directed by Adam J. Graves and Suchitra Mattai.

**Miscellaneous**

Winner	Honors/Achievements	Key Details
<b>Archery Premier League (APL)</b>	India Sports Awards 2025	'Emerging Professional Sports Event of the Year'; FICCI 's 15th Global Sports Conference (New Delhi); The world's first professional archery league
<b>My Bharat – National Service Scheme (NSS)</b>	"My Bharat – NSS" Award (2022–23)	October 6, 2025, Rashtrapati Bhavan; Voluntary service and contribution to nation building; Founded: 1993–94
<b>Bhagwan Birsa Munda Award</b>	New award for sickle cell research	Promotion of R&D on sickle cell treatment; financial support of up to ₹10 crore per research proposal; proposal to establish a National Tribal Health Institute at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS), Delhi.
<b>Nutrition Tracker App (MoWCD)</b>	Prime Minister's Award for Excellence in Public Administration 2024	Innovation (Centre) category; 17th Civil Services Day, 21 April 2025; Technology and Data Driven Good Governance
<b>Meghalaya</b>	UIDAI 's Two Awards	Outstanding performance in children's biometric updates and adult Aadhaar authentication; 8 April 2025
<b>Tableau of Uttar Pradesh</b>	Best Tableau – Republic Day 2025	Theme: Mahakumbh 2025 – Swarnim Bharat: Heritage and Development; Kartavya Path, New Delhi
<b>Tableau of Tripura</b>	2nd place – Republic Day 2025	Theme: Eternal Faith: Worship of 14 Gods in Tripura – Kharchi Puja

**International Awardees of India**

Person/Institution	Honors/Achievements	Key Details
<b>Supriya Sahu</b>	UNEP – Champions of the Earth Award 2025	'Inspiration and Action' category; Contribution to sustainable cooling, ecosystem restoration and climate adaptation; UNEA-7, Nairobi
<b>Youth group from the Pacific Islands</b>	Champions of the Earth 2025	For the ICJ's Historic Advisory Opinion on Climate Justice
<b>Mariam Issoufou (Sahel)</b>	Champions of the Earth 2025	Climate-tolerant architectural design

<b>Imazon (Brazil)</b>	Champions of the Earth 2025	AI-based deforestation monitoring
<b>Manfredi Caltagirone</b>	Champions of the Earth 2025 (Posthumously)	Research on Methane Emissions Reduction
<b>Anant Ambani</b>	Global Humanitarian Award for Animal Welfare	Youngest and first Asian winner; Vantara Initiative, Animal Protection & Biodiversity
<b>Homebound</b>	Oscars 2026 (98th Academy Awards) – Top 15 Shortlist	Best International Feature; Director: Neeraj Ghaywan; Cast: Ishaan Khatter, Vishal Jethwa
<b>Neil Mohan</b>	TIME – CEO of the Year 2025	Innovation-driven and empathetic leadership; YouTube CEO
<b>Ravi DC</b>	Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters (France)	Contribution to India-France Literary and Cultural Exchange
<b>Shubham Awasthi</b>	40 Under 40 Lawyer Award 2025	Public Interest Litigation, Constitutional Law and Social Justice
<b>Photonics Odyssey</b>	NASA Space Apps Challenge 2025 – Most Inspirational Award	Phased-array satellite internet concept; Global Winner
<b>Meera Syal</b>	Damehood (UK) – New Year Honours 2025	Literature, Drama and Social Work; Goodness Gracious Me
<b>Air India</b>	Best Domestic Airline 2025	Travel + Leisure India & South Asia; Second year in a row
<b>Thota Tharani</b>	Chevalier de l'Ordre des Arts et des Lettres (Knight of the Order of Arts and Letters) (France)	French High Civic Honors; Contribution to art and cinema
<b>Sri Sri Ravi Shankar</b>	World Peace and Security Leadership Award 2025	By the Boston Global Forum (BGF) and the AI World Society; Contributions to peacekeeping, reconciliation and humanitarian service; Award started in 2015
<b>Dr. Sonali Ghosh MD</b>	IUCN WCPA–Kenton Miller Award	The first Indian winner; Kaziranga National Park; Biodiversity Conservation, Community Engagement and Sustainable Tourism
<b>Sanjeev Kapoor</b>	Top Agri-Food Pioneer Honors	World Food Prize Foundation; Promote nutritious and sustainable diets; Ceremony Des Moines (USA)
<b>India (Government)</b>	ISSA Awards 2025	Outstanding achievement in Social Security; coverage 19% (2015) to 64.3% (2025); WSSF, Kuala Lumpur
<b>Sunil Amrit</b>	British Academy Book Prize 2025	Book: The Burning Earth; £25,000; Global Perspective on Environmental History
<b>Educate Girls</b>	Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025	Girls' education; the first Indian organization; Ceremony Manila (Philippines)
<b>Shahina Ali</b>	Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025	Environmental Protection
<b>Flaviano Antonio L. Villanueva</b>	Ramon Magsaysay Award 2025	Environmental Protection
<b>Jinali Modi</b>	UNEP Young Champions of the Earth Award 2025	Banofi Leather from Banana Stems; By UNEP and Planet A
<b>Joseph Nguthiru (Kenya)</b>	UNEP Young Champions of the Earth 2025	Biodegradable packaging from hyacinth (HyaPak)

<b>Noemi Floria (USA)</b>	UNEP Young Champions of the Earth 2025	System for Converting Greywater into Drinking Water (Cycleau)
<b>Anuparna Roy</b>	Venice Film Festival – Best Director (Orizzonti)	82nd Venice Film Festival; Songs of Forgotten Trees
<b>Vikas Kumar</b>	Ig Nobel Prize 2025	Shoe odor control with UV shoe-rack
<b>Sarthak Mittal</b>	Ig Nobel Prize 2025	Shoe-rack design with UV lamps; India's 22nd Ig Nobel
<b>Bibi Fatima Women's Self-Help Group</b>	UNDP Equator Prize 2025	Biodiversity conservation; Women-led sustainable agriculture; Prize money \$10,000
<b>Tribeni Rai</b>	BIFF 2025 – Vision Section	Film - Shape of Momo; Asian Independent Cinema
<b>Gitanjali Shri</b>	PEN Translate Award 2025	Book - Once Elephants Live Here; Translation: Daisy Rockwell
<b>Deepika</b>	FIH Poligras Magic Skill Award 2024-25	First Indian woman scorer; scored a solo goal against the Netherlands.
<b>Varsha Deshpande</b>	United Nations Population Awards 2025	Fight against gender inequality and sex-selective abortion; Honors in New York
<b>Deepika Padukone</b>	Hollywood Walk of Fame Star (Class of 2026)	The first Indian actress; Announcement 3 July 2025; Other selected: Miley Cyrus, Timothée Chalamet, Emily Blunt etc.
<b>Meri Panchayat</b>	WSIS 2025 Champion Award	Ministry of Panchayati Raj; WSIS+20 Forum, Geneva (7-11 July 2025); Category: Cultural and linguistic diversity
<b>Desi Oon</b>	Anney Animation Festival 2025 – Jury Prize	The first Indian animation film; Best Commissioned Film; Director: Suresh Ariat
<b>Kumar Mangalam Birla</b>	Global Leadership Award	USISPF; 8th Leadership Summit, Washington DC; India-U.S. Economic Relations
<b>Javed Akhtar</b>	Dostoevsky Star Award	By Russian House; Literary Contributions and Global Cultural Dialogue
<b>Banu Mushtaq</b>	International Booker Prize 2025	Kannada short story collection - Heart Lamp; The first Kannada book; Translation: Deepa Bhashti
<b>Raja Kumari</b>	American Music Awards (AMA) 2025	'Favourite Soundtrack'; Arcane: League of Legends – Season 2
<b>Biju Patnaik</b>	Honored by Russia (posthumously)	Contributions to the Battle of Stalingrad (WW-II); Russian Embassy, New Delhi
<b>Brigadier General Amitabh Jha</b>	Dag Hammarskjöld Medal (posthumously)	Honoured by the United Nations on International Peacekeepers' Day; at the UN Headquarters in New York.
<b>Constable Sanjay Singh</b>	Dag Hammarskjöld Medal (posthumously)	UN honour for sacrifice in peacekeeping operations
<b>Payal Kapadia</b>	Officer of the Order of Arts and Letters (France)	Contributions to cinema; The film 'All We Imagine As Light' won the Cannes Grand Prix.
<b>Wing Commander D. Panda</b>	McGregor Memorial Medal (2023)	Contribution to Military Reconnaissance and Adventure Operations (IAF)
<b>Rahul Kumar Pandey</b>	McGregor Memorial Medal (2023)	Indian Navy; Military exploration
<b>Ram Ratan Jat</b>	McGregor Memorial Medal (2024)	Indian Navy; Technical & Adventure Service
<b>Sergeant Jhumar Ram Poonia</b>	McGregor Memorial Medal (2024)	Indian Air Force

<b>Colonel Ranveer Singh Jamwal</b>	Special Honour (McGregor)	Director, National Institute of Mountaineering and Adventure Sports
<b>Aamir Khan</b>	Master Humor Award	Macau International Comedy Festival 2025; Popular name in China "Uncle Me"
<b>Sudarsan Patnaik</b>	Fred Darrington Sand Master Award	Sandworld 2025, England; First Indian winner
<b>Dr. Jayashree Venkatesan</b>	Ramsar Award (Wetland Wise Use)	The first Indian woman; Wetland Conservation
<b>Gayatri Chakraborty Spivak</b>	Holberg Prize 2025	Postcolonial Studies, Feminism; \$5.4 Million USD
<b>Chiranjeevi</b>	Lifetime Achievement Award (UK House of Commons)	By Bridge India; Cultural Leadership & Service
<b>Purnima Devi Burman</b>	TIME Women of the Year	Greater Adjutant Stork (Hargila) Protection
<b>Manu Bhaker</b>	BBC Indian Sportswoman of the Year 2024	Olympians; Women's Sports Achievements
<b>Natarajan Chandrasekaran</b>	Honorary Knighthood (UK)	Contribution to India-UK trade relations
<b>Sunil Bharti Mittal</b>	Honorary Knighthood (KBE)	To strengthen UK-India trade relations
<b>NTPC Ltd.</b>	Forward Faster Sustainability Award 2025	'Water Resilience' category; by the UN Global Compact Network India; for contributions to water conservation and sustainable water management.
<b>Tarun Das</b>	Singapore's Honorary Civilian Award	By Singapore President Thurgood Shanmugaratnam; Honorary Citizen Award; Second Indian (First: Ratan Tata)
<b>Krishna Ella</b>	INSA India Fellowship 2025	Indian National Science Academy; Contribution to Vaccine Technology, New Discoveries and Technological Innovation

## International Awards

### Nobel Prize 2025

Field	Winner	Country	Major Contributions/ Discovery	Special Facts
Literature	László Krasznahorkai	Hungary	Philosophical Works, The Power of Art	Second Hungarian winner
Economics	Joel Mokyr, Philippe Aghion, Peter Howitt	USA, France	Innovation-Based Growth Theory	"Creative Destruction" Model
Peace	Maria Corina Machado	Venezuela	Democracy and Protecting Civil Rights	"Iron Lady of Venezuela"
Chemistry	Susumu Kitagawa, Richard Robson, Omar Yaghi	Japan, Australia, USA	Exploring the MOF	Revolutionary contribution to gas and water purification

Physics	John Clarke, Michel Devoret, John Martinis	USA	Quantum Tunneling and Energy Quantization	Useful in Quantum Computing
Physiology/ Medicine	Mary E. Bronco, Fred Ramsdell, Shimon Sakaguchi	USA, Japan	Exploring Peripheral Immune Tolerance	Contributing to the Understanding of Autoimmune Diseases

Winner	Award/Achievements	Key Details
<b>Dalai Lama</b>	Gold Mercury Award 2025	Peace, non-violence, knowledge and culture and environmental protection; Awarded by: Gold Mercury International
<b>Masaki Kashiwara</b>	Abel Prize 2025	Algebraic analysis and representation theory; first Japanese winner
<b>Liu Jiakun</b>	Pritzker Prize 2025	the Nobel of Architecture; Contribution to Public and Urban Architecture
<b>Günter Blobel</b>	Stockholm Water Prize 2025	Contribution to Flood Risk and Water Resources Management
<b>Lionel Messi</b>	Presidential Medal of Freedom	the first male footballer; America's highest civilian honor
<b>Dr. Alexander Smith</b>	Shastra Ramanujan Award 2025	Outstanding Contribution to Mathematics for Young Mathematicians below the age of 32 years
<b>Armand Duplantis</b>	World Athlete of the Year 2025 (Men)	4 world records in the pole vault; Unbeaten in 16 competitions
<b>Sydney McLaughlin-Levrone</b>	World Athlete of the Year 2025 (Female)	World Record and World Champion in 400m and 400m Hurdles
<b>Ousmane Dembele</b>	FIFA Best Men's Player 2025	FIFA Best Football Awards; Event: Doha, Qatar
<b>Aitana Bonmati</b>	FIFA Best Women's Player 2025	Barcelona; Outstanding performance in women's football
<b>A'ja Wilson</b>	TIME Best Athlete 2025	Unprecedented achievements in WNBA history; Best Players of the Paris Olympics 2024
<b>Leonardo DiCaprio</b>	TIME Best Entertainers 2025	The film - One Battle After Another; Direction: Paul Thomas Anderson
<b>Donald Trump</b>	First FIFA Peace Prize	FIFA World Cup 2026 draw ceremony; contribution to global peace
<b>Singapore Changi Airport</b>	World's Best Airports 2025	Travel + Leisure India Awards (14th edition)
<b>Prof. Ademola Adenle</b>	M.S. Swaminathan Award for Food and Peace	MSSRF and TWAS; \$25,000 and a medal
<b>Michelle Bachelet</b>	Indira Gandhi Peace Prize (2024)	Contribution to human rights, gender equality and global justice
<b>David Szele</b>	Booker Prize 2025	Novel - Flesh; £50,000 prize money; Nominations for 'All That Man Is' in 2016
<b>Fatima Bosch</b>	Miss Universe 2025	74th Competition, Thailand; Runner-up: Praveen Singh (Thailand, Indian origin)
<b>re.green (Brazil)</b>	Earthshot Prize 2025	Large-scale reforestation in the Atlantic Forest and Amazon
<b>Omoyemi Akerele (Nigeria)</b>	Earthshot Prize 2025	Sustainable Fashion through Lagos Fashion Week

<b>Carlos Fernando Galán (Colombia)</b>	Earthshot Prize 2025	Clean air policies in Bogotá; 24% Pollution Reduction
<b>Rebecca Hubbard (High Seas Treaty)</b>	Earthshot Prize 2025	Global Ocean Conservation and Governance Reform
<b>Runa Khan (Bangladesh)</b>	Earthshot Prize 2025	Health and Education for Climate-Vulnerable Communities
<b>Tom Cruise</b>	Honorary Oscar (Governors Awards 2025)	40+ years of contribution; First Oscar Award
<b>Andrzej Poczobut</b>	Sakharov Prize 2025	Human Rights and Media Freedom
<b>Mzia Amaglobeli</b>	Sakharov Prize 2025	Fearless journalism against government censorship
<b>PISFCC and Julian Aguon (Vanuatu)</b>	Right Livelihood Award 2025	Legal and student movement for climate justice
<b>Emergency Response Rooms (Sudan)</b>	Right Livelihood Award 2025	Humanitarian relief during the Civil War
<b>Justice for Myanmar (JFM)</b>	Right Livelihood Award 2025	Exposure of corruption in the military junta
<b>Audrey Tang</b>	Right Livelihood Award 2025	Proponent of Digital Democracy
<b>Children's Booker Prize</b>	New literary award	8–12 years of age; First Prize 2027; Funded by the AKO Foundation
<b>Ousmane Dembele</b>	Men's Ballon d'Or 2025	69th Ballon d'Or; Paris
<b>Aitana Bonmati</b>	Women's Ballon d'Or 2025	Barcelona's star player
<b>Paris Saint-Germain</b>	Best Men's Club of the Year	Ballon d'Or 2025
<b>Arsenal</b>	Best Women's Club of the Year	Ballon d'Or 2025
<b>Keir Starmer</b>	Living Bridge Awards 2025	India-UK relations and role in the FTA; by India Business Group (IBG); Seema Malhotra receives the award
<b>Yunus Ahmed</b>	Camel International Award 2025	DotSpace Coworking Leadership; the Arabian World Records; Honors in Dubai
<b>Mohamed Salah</b>	PFA Players' Player of the Year 2025	Winner for the third time; First player to win 4 major individual awards in a single season
<b>Morgan Rogers</b>	PFA Young Male Player	Aston Villa
<b>Mariona Caldentí</b>	PFA Female Player	Arsenal
<b>Olivia Smith</b>	PFA Women's Youth Player	Liverpool
<b>Leila Abulela</b>	PEN Pinter Prize 2024	Writings on Faith, Migration and Women; Event: British Library, London
<b>Alexander Payne</b>	Locarno 2025 Honorary Leopard Award (Pardo d'onore)	Long-term contribution to international cinema
<b>Serena Williams</b>	Princess of Asturias Awards 2025	Sports achievements and social contributions; Spain's premier civilian honor
<b>Dr. Mariangela Hungria</b>	World Food Awards 2025	Biological nitrogen fixation; sustainable agriculture; \$500,000

## Pulitzer Prize 2025

- Announcement: By the Pulitzer Prize Board.
- Key Areas: Excellence in Journalism and the Arts.
- The Pulitzer Prize is considered the most prestigious international award in journalism.

### Winners in Journalism Categories

Category	Winner
Public Service	Kavitha Surana, Lizzie Presser, Cassandra Jaramillo, and Stacey Kranitz (report on maternal deaths linked to abortion bans)
Breaking News Reporting	The Washington Post staff (coverage of the Trump assassination attempt)
Investigative Reporting	Reuters – “Fentanyl Express”
Explanatory Reporting	Azam Ahmed, Christina Goldbaum, Matthew Aikins (New York Times)
Local Reporting	Alyssa Zhu, Nick Thiem, Jessica Gallagher (Baltimore Banner and NYT)
National Reporting	Wall Street Journal – Elon Musk Investigation
International Reporting	Declan Walsh and the NYT Staff – Sudan Conflict
Breaking News Photography	Doug Mills (NYT) – Picture of an assassination attempt on Trump

### Breakthrough Awards 2025

- Its 11th edition was held on 5th April 2025 in Santa Monica, California.
- This award is given for extraordinary contributions to science, which is often called the "Oscar of Science".
- It honours scientists who have done remarkable work in the field of physics, life sciences and mathematics.
- The award was started in 2013 by tech entrepreneurs Mark Zuckerberg and Priscilla Chan, among other founders.

### 2025 Breakthrough Awards

Category	Winner	Contribution/ Research Area
<b>Life Sciences</b>		
Research on Weight Loss Drugs	Daniel J. Drucker, Joel Habener, Jens Jules Holst, Lotte Biere Knudsen, Svetlana Mozsov	Discovery and analysis of GLP-1 hormones; Helpful in the development of drugs such as Ozempic and Wegovy.
Research on Multiple Sclerosis (MS)	Alberto Ascherio, Stephen L. Hauser	Highlighted the role of B-cells in MS and linked it to the Epstein-Barr virus.
Gene-editing techniques	David R. Liu	Developed base editing and prime editing techniques.
<b>Fundamental Physics</b>	13,508 scientists from 4 projects of CERN (ALICE, ATLAS, CMS, LHCb)	Research on the Higgs boson, strong nuclear force, and fundamental particles.
<b>Mathematics</b>	Dennis Gaitsgory	Geometric Langlands conjecture was proved; Added diverse areas of mathematics.

<b>New Horizons Awards</b>	8 Emerging researchers	6 awards of \$100,000 to emerging talents in mathematics and physics.
<b>Maryam Mirzakhani New Frontiers Award</b>	3 Women PhD Mathematicians	3 prizes of \$50,000 to women mathematicians who have recently completed their PhD.

### 2025 Laureus World Sports Awards

- On 21 April 2025, the winners of the 2025 Laureus World Sports Awards were honored in a grand ceremony held in Madrid, Spain.
- The award is one of the most prestigious sporting honours globally.

Award Category	Winner	Country	Sport
Male Player of the Year Award	<b>Armand Duplantis</b>	Spain	Pole Vault
Women's Player of the Year Award	<b>Simone Biles</b>	USA	Artistic Gymnastics
Lifetime Achievement Award	<b>Kelly Slater</b>	USA	Surfing
Sporting Icon Award	<b>Rafael Nadal</b>	Spain	Tennis
Award for the Best Team of the Year	<b>Real Madrid</b>	Spain	Football Club

### 97th Oscar Awards 2025

- Held on March 2, 2025, at the Dolby Theatre, Los Angeles.
- 'Anora' won the maximum five Oscars, while 'The Brutalist' won three. 'Wicked', 'Emilia Perez', and 'Yemen: Part Time' received awards in two categories each.
- Paul Tazewell (formerly Black Designer) won the Oscar for Best Costume Design.

#### Acting Categories

- Best Actress: Mikey Madison, "Anora"
- Best Actor: Andrew Brody, "The Brutalist"
- Best Actor in a Supporting Role: Kieran Culkin, "A Real Pain"
- Best Actor in a Supporting Role: Zoe Saldana (Emilia Perez)

#### Film and direction

- Best Film: Anora
- Best Director: Sean Baker, "Anora"
- Best Cinematography: The Brutalist
- Best Editing: Anora

#### Oscar Awards (Academy Awards)

- The most prestigious film award in the world, which is awarded by the "Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences" (AMPAS).

### New category of Stunt Designs to be added to Oscars 2028

- The Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences has announced a historic change to the Oscar Awards.
- The 100th Oscars ceremony to be held in 2028 will introduce a new category called "Best Stunt Design".

## 4. Sports

### World Cup/World Cup Championship

#### India's Famous Players

#### International Competitions

#### Upcoming Events

#### National Competitions

#### Miscellaneous

### World Cup/World Cup Championship

Competition	Key facts
<b>Indian Squash Team – World Champions</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>India won the Squash World Cup for the first time.</li> <li>Team Members: Joshna Chinappa, Anahat Singh, Abhay Singh, Velavan Senthil Kumar.</li> <li>Final: Beat Hong Kong 3–0 in Chennai (Tamil Nadu).</li> <li>India: The first Asian team to become world champions.</li> <li>India: The fourth country to win the title (after Australia, England, Egypt).</li> <li>In 2023, India won the bronze medal.</li> </ul>
<b>World Rapid Chess Championship (Doha)</b>	<p>Men's Category: Arjun Erigaisi – Bronze (9.5 points); The second Indian man to win a medal (previously Viswanathan Anand).</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gold: Magnus Carlsen (sixth title, 10.5 points).</li> </ul> <p>Women's Category: Gold – Alexandra Goryanchkina; Bronze – Koneru Humpy.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Humpy's 5th medal in World Rapid (2 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze).</li> </ul>
<b>ISSF World Cup Final 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Events: 4–9 December 2025, Lusail Shooting Complex, Doha (Qatar).</li> <li>India: 6 medals (2 gold, 3 silver, 1 bronze) – 2nd place.</li> </ul> <p><b>India's Medal Winners</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Gold: Simranpreet Kaur (Women's 25m Pistol), Suruchi Singh (Women's 10m Air Pistol).</li> <li>Silver: Sainikam (Women's 10m Air Pistol), Aishwary Pratap Singh Tomar (Men's 50m Rifle 3 Positions), Anish Bhanwala (Men's 25m Rapid Fire Pistol).</li> <li>Bronze: Samrat Rana (Men's 10m Air Pistol).</li> </ul> <p><b>Ranking:</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>China: 9 medals (4 gold).</li> <li>India: 6 medals (2 gold).</li> <li>USA: 6 medals (2 gold).</li> </ol>
<b>India – ICC Women's Cricket World Cup 2025 Winners</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>India defeated South Africa by 52 runs in the final.</li> <li>Final: 2 November 2025, D.Y. Patil Stadium, Navi Mumbai.</li> <li>Captain: Harmanpreet Kaur – The first Asian women's team to win the WC in any format.</li> <li>Player of the Match (Final): Shafali Verma (87 runs + 2 wickets).</li> <li>Player of the Tournament: Deepti Sharma (215 runs, 22 wickets)</li> </ul>
<b>FIDE World Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Winner: Zavokhir Sindarov (Uzbekistan).</li> <li>Final: defeated Wei Yi 1.5–0.5 in a tiebreak.</li> <li>Events: October 31–27, 2025, in Goa.</li> <li>Sindarov: The youngest FIDE World Cup champion.</li> <li>The trophy of the FIDE World Cup 2025 was named "Viswanathan Anand Cup".</li> </ul>
<b>World Para Athletics Championships 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Events: 27 September–5 October 2025, Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium, New Delhi.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First ever event in India.</li> <li>• Mascot: "Viraj" (young elephant with blade prosthesis).</li> </ul> <p><b>India's Performance</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total medals: 22 (6 gold, 9 silver, 7 bronze) – 10th place.</li> <li>• Best performance ever.</li> <li>• Sumit Antil: Third World Championships Gold (most by any Indian para-athlete).</li> </ul>
<b>FIDE Grand Swiss 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 4–15 September 2025, Samarkand (Uzbekistan).</li> <li>• Men's winner: Anish Giri – GM defeated Hans Niemann.</li> <li>• Women's winner: Vaishali Rameshbabu – champion for the second time in a row.</li> <li>• Anish Giri and Vaishali Rameshbabu – both qualified for the 2026 Candidates Tournament.</li> <li>• Vaishali: First player to win the Women's Grand Swiss twice in a row.</li> <li>• The third woman from India (after Koneru Humpy, Divya Deshmukh) to reach the candidates.</li> </ul>
<b>World Boxing Championships 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: Liverpool (UK).</li> <li>• India: 4 medals – 2 gold, 1 silver, 1 bronze.</li> <li>• Gold: Jasmine Lamboria (57kg), Meenakshi Hooda (48kg).</li> <li>• Silver: Nupur Sheoran (80+kg) – lost 3–2 to Poland's Agata Kaczmarek in the final.</li> <li>• Bronze: Pooja Rani (Middleweight). • 3 boxers from India reached the finals.</li> </ul>
<b>12th World Games 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 7–17 August 2025, Chengdu (China).</li> <li>• China on top: 64 medals (36 gold).</li> <li>• India: 3 medals (1 silver, 2 bronze), rank 66th.</li> <li>• Silver: Namrata Batra (Wushu, 52kg).</li> <li>• Bronze: Rishabh Yadav (compound archery), Anandkumar Velkumar (roller skating).</li> </ul>
<b>World Athletics Continental Tour 2025 (Bronze Level)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: August 2025, Kalinga Stadium, Bhubaneswar (Odisha).</li> <li>• 19 Events.</li> <li>• Gold (India): Animesh Kujur (200m), Murali Sreeshankar (Long Jump), Shaili Singh (Women's Long Jump), Annu Rani (Javelin Throw), Abiniah Rajarajan (100m).</li> <li>• Organizer: World Athletics</li> </ul>
<b>U-17 World Wrestling Championships 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: July 28–August 3, 2025, Athens (Greece).</li> <li>• India: 6 medals – 3 gold, 2 silver, 1 bronze.</li> <li>• Gold: Rachna (43kg), Ashwini Bishnoi (65kg), Hardeep (110kg, Greco-Roman).</li> <li>• Silver: Moni (57kg), Kajal (73kg).</li> <li>• Bronze: Komal Verma (49kg).</li> <li>• Hardeep: India's first gold in this category.</li> </ul>
<b>BWF US Open Badminton 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Men's Singles winner: Aayush Shetty – First Indian.</li> <li>• Final: Defeated Brian Yang (Canada).</li> <li>• Women's Singles Runner-up: Tanvi Sharma (16 years) – Youngest Indian finalist.</li> <li>• Events: 24–29 June 2025, Iowa (USA).</li> <li>• श्रेणी: BWF Super 300</li> </ul>
<b>Archery World Cup 2025 – Madrid Stage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: 8–13 July 2025, Madrid (Spain).</li> <li>• India: 3 medals (2 silver, 1 bronze) – in all compound events.</li> <li>• Silver: Jyothi Surekha Vennam (Individual), Women's Compound Team.</li> <li>• Bronze: Compound Mixed Team (Jyothi Surekha Vennam + Rishabh Yadav).</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India Rank: 8th; Top: South Korea.</li> </ul>
<b>FIFA Club World Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final: 13 July 2025, MetLife Stadium, New Jersey (USA).</li> <li>• Winners: Chelsea – Paris Saint-Germain beat 3–0.</li> <li>• Cole Palmer: 2 goals + 1 assist.</li> <li>• Chelsea's second title (first: 2021).</li> </ul>
<b>World Boxing Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Astana (Kazakhstan).</li> <li>• India: 11 medals – 3 gold, 5 silver, 3 bronze.</li> <li>• Gold: Sakshi (54kg), Jasmine Lamboria (57kg), Nupur (80+kg).</li> <li>• Silver: Pooja Rani, Meenakshi, Avinash Jamwal, Jugnu, Hitesh Gulia.</li> <li>• Bronze: Sanju, Narendra Berwal, Nikhil Dubey.</li> </ul>
<b>World University Games 2025 (FISU)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 16–27 July 2025, Rhine-Ruhr region (Germany).</li> <li>• Cities: Bochum, Duisburg, Essen, Müllheim, Hagen, Berlin.</li> <li>• Total games: 18</li> <li>• India's first gold: Preneet Kaur / Bob Shetty Skilled broker (mixed compound archery).</li> <li>• India's medals: Gold-1, Silver-1, Bronze-3</li> </ul>
<b>World Test Championship (WTC) Final 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final: Lord's (England), June 2025</li> <li>• Winners: South Africa (beat Australia by 5 wickets).</li> <li>• South Africa's first ICC World Title.</li> <li>• ICC Trophy after 27 years (last: 1998).</li> <li>• Player of the Match: Aiden Markram.</li> </ul>
<b>ISSF World Cup Munich 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: 8–15 June 2025, Munich (Germany).</li> <li>• India: Third place.</li> <li>• Medals: 4 (Gold–2, Bronze–2).</li> <li>• Gold: Suruchi Singh; Arya Borse/Arjun Babuta.</li> </ul>
<b>ISSF Junior World Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Suhl (Germany), 19–27 May 2025.</li> <li>• India: First place.</li> <li>• Medals: 11 (Gold–3, Silver–4, Bronze–4).</li> </ul>
<b>Archery World Cup Stage-2, Shanghai 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Shanghai (China), May 2025</li> <li>• India: 7 medals.</li> <li>• Gold: Madhura Dhamangaonkar (Women's Compound), Men's Compound Team.</li> <li>• Silver: Women's Compound Team.</li> <li>• Bronze: 4 medals.</li> </ul>
<b>ISSF World Cup Lima 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 13–22 April 2025, Lima (Peru).</li> <li>• India: Third place.</li> <li>• Medals: 7 (Gold–2, Silver–4, Bronze–1).</li> </ul>
<b>Archery World Cup 2025 – Stage 1 (USA)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Auburndale, Florida (USA)</li> <li>• Date: 8–13 April 2025.</li> <li>• India: Fourth place.</li> <li>• Medals: 4 (Gold–1, Silver–1, Bronze–2).</li> </ul>
<b>ISSF World Cup Buenos Aires 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: 1–10 April 2025, Argentina.</li> <li>• India: 2nd place.</li> <li>• Medals: 8 (Gold–4, Silver–2, Bronze–2).</li> </ul>
<b>ICC Champions Trophy 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final: 9 March 2025, Dubai International Cricket Stadium.</li> <li>• India beat New Zealand by 4 wickets.</li> <li>• India's third Champions Trophy title (2002, 2013, 2025).</li> <li>• Captain: Rohit Sharma – Player of the Match.</li> <li>• Player of the Tournament: Rachin Ravindra (New Zealand).</li> <li>• India's 7th ICC title overall; It will be the most successful team.</li> </ul>
<b>Sepak Takraw World Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 20–25 March 2025, Patna (Bihar).</li> <li>• India's first gold medal (men's regu team).</li> <li>• Final: India beat Japan 2-1.</li> <li>• India's total medals: 7 (Gold–1, Silver–1, Bronze–5).</li> </ul>

<b>Special Olympics World Winter Games 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 8–15 March 2025, Turin (Italy).</li> <li>• India: Total 33 medals (gold-8, silver-18, bronze-7).</li> </ul> <p>Next edition (2027): Santiago, Chile.</p>
<b>Blind Women's T20 World Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Final: 23 November 2025, Colombo (Sri Lanka).</li> <li>• India beat Nepal by 7 wickets.</li> <li>• India's first Blind Women's T20 World Cup.</li> <li>• Player of the Match: Phoola Saren.</li> <li>• Co-hosts: India and Sri Lanka.</li> </ul>
<b>World Boxing Cup 2025 (Greater Noida)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Greater Noida (Uttar Pradesh).</li> <li>• India: Total 20 medals (gold-9, silver-6, bronze-5).</li> <li>• Dominance of female boxers – 7 golds.</li> <li>• Male boxers won 2 golds.</li> </ul>
<b>ISSF World Championships 2025 (Rifle/Pistol)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Cairo (Egypt).</li> <li>• India: Third place.</li> <li>• Total medals: 13 (Gold–3, Silver–6, Bronze–4).</li> <li>• Top countries: China (first), South Korea (second).</li> </ul> <p><b>Anish Bhanwala: Silver medal in the men's 25m rapid fire pistol at the ISSF World Cup.</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first Indian individual pistol shooter to win a World Championship medal in an Olympic event.</li> </ul>
<b>Women's Kabaddi World Cup</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: Dhaka (Bangladesh).</li> <li>• India defeated Chinese Taipei 35–28.</li> <li>• India won the title for the second time in a row.</li> </ul>
<b>Deaflympics Shooting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Tokyo.</li> <li>• India's best ever performance.</li> <li>• Total medals: 16 (Gold–7, Silver–6, Bronze–3).</li> <li>• Best Player: Matt Sandhu (2 gold, 2 silver).</li> <li>• Abhinav Deshwal and Pranjali Dhumal: 2 gold, 1 silver.</li> <li>• Dhanush Srikanth: 2 Gold in 10m Air Rifle Individual and Mixed Team.</li> </ul>
<b>Women's Blind Football World Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: 2–12 October 2025, Kochi (Kerala).</li> <li>• Organizer: International Federation of Blind Sports (IBSA).</li> <li>• Final: Argentina beat England 2–0.</li> <li>• India's Position: Fifth (defeated Turkey).</li> </ul>
<b>Under-20 Freestyle Wrestling Championships 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Bishkek.</li> <li>• Champion Team: Iran.</li> <li>• India: Runners-up.</li> <li>• Total medals: 8 (Gold–2, Silver–1, Bronze–5).</li> <li>• Gold: Ankush (57kg), Amit (79kg).</li> <li>• Silver: Ashwini (65kg).</li> </ul>
<b>World Boxing Cup Brazil 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Event: Foz do Iguaçu, Brazil (31 March–5 April 2025).</li> <li>• India: 6 medals (gold-1, silver-1, bronze-4).</li> <li>• Gold: Hitesh Gulia (70kg) – First Indian gold medallist.</li> <li>• Silver: Abhinash Jammwal (65kg).</li> <li>• India's Position: Second in the medal tally.</li> </ul>
<b>Kabaddi World Cup 2025 (Men &amp; Women)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: West Midlands, England.</li> <li>• First time event outside of Asia.</li> <li>• India won the title in both the men's and women's categories.</li> <li>• Men's final: India 44–41 England.</li> <li>• Women's final: India 57–34 England.</li> <li>• India has also won both the titles in 2019 (Malaysia).</li> </ul>
<b>Kho-Kho World Cup 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First edition.</li> <li>• Events: 13–19 January 2025, Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium, New Delhi.</li> <li>• India won both the men's and women's titles.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Men's Final: India 54-36 Nepal.</li> <li>• Women's final: India 78-40 Nepal.</li> </ul>
<b>World Blitz Chess Championship 2024</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Events: December 30–31, 2024, New York.</li> <li>• Open and women's categories were held.</li> <li>• Open title: Magnus Carlsen and Ian Nepomniachtchi (joint winners).</li> <li>• India: R. Vaishali won the bronze medal in the women's category.</li> <li>• Vaishali lost to Xu Wenjun in the semi-finals.</li> </ul>

## India's Players in News

Player	Sport	Achievements/ Records	Key facts
<b>Sanskar Saraswat</b>	Badminton	Guwahati Masters 2025 Winners	Defeated Mithun Manjunath in the men's singles final; First Super-100 title; Tournament - 2–7 December 2025
<b>Sarvagya Singh Kushwaha</b>	Chess	Youngest FIDE rated players	3 years 7 months 20 days old 1572 FIDE Rapid Rating; Elo System
<b>Lakshya Sen</b>	Badminton	Australian Open 2025 Winners	Defeated Yushi Tanaka in Sydney; First BWF Title of 2025; 6th career
<b>Jasprit Bumrah</b>	Cricket	100 wickets in all three formats	The first Indian to achieve this feat in Test-ODI-T20; Cuttack T20I vs SA
<b>Arjuna Erigaisi</b>	Chess	Jerusalem Masters 2025 Winners	Defeated Viswanathan Anand in the final; \$55,000 award; Blitz Format
<b>Kushal Dalal</b>	Archery	GT Open Indoor World Series 2025 – Gold	Men's Compound Gold in Luxembourg; Defeated Stephen Hansen in the final
<b>Rahul V.S.</b>	Chess	India's 91st Grandmaster	By winning the ASEAN Individual Championship, he/she became a Grandmaster (GM); formerly an International Master (IM)
<b>Ilamparthi A.R.</b>	Chess	India's 90th Grandmaster	The final GM norm at the Bijelgina Open in Bosnia
<b>Rohit Krishna S.</b>	Chess	India's 89th Grandmaster	Third GM norm at the Almaty Masters (Kazakhstan)
<b>Harikrishnan A. R.</b>	Chess	India's 87th Grandmaster	Achievement at the France (La Plagné) International Festival
<b>L.R. Srihari</b>	Chess	India's 86th Grandmaster	Asian Individual Championships 2025 (Al-Ain, UAE)
<b>Saryu Velpula</b>	Chess	India's 26th Female Grandmaster	Final WGM Norm Met
<b>Maryam Fatima</b>	Chess	Bihar's first woman FIDE master	WFM Title; Category below WIM/WGM
<b>D. Gukesh</b>	Chess	European Chess Club Cup 2025 – Gold	Superchess Team; Open category 14/14
<b>Divya Deshmukh</b>	Chess	European Chess Club Cup 2025 – Gold	women's section; the Circle d'Écheux de Monte-Carlo; 13/14
<b>Jyothi Surekha Vennam</b>	Archery	World Cup Final 2025 – Bronze	Nanjing (China); Women's Individual Compound; defeated Ella Gibson by 150–145; became the first Indian woman compound archer to win an individual medal in a World Cup final
<b>Meera Bai Chanu</b>	Weightlifting	World Championship 2025 – Silver	Førde (Norway); 48 kg category; total lift of 199 kg (two national

			records); third world medal of the career
<b>Sujith Kalkal</b>	Wrestling	U-23 World Championships 2025 – Gold	Novi Sad (Serbia); Freestyle 65kg; Final 10–0 win; First world title
<b>Zoravar Singh Sandhu</b>	Trap shooting	ISSF World Championships 2025 – Bronze	Athens; male traps; 31 hits in 50; India's third world medal in trap
<b>Linthoi Chanabam</b>	Judo	Junior World Championships – Bronze	Lima (Peru); 63 kg; India's first medal; 2022 Cadet World Champion
<b>Virat Kohli</b>	Cricket	Most centuries in ODIs (52)	Sachin Tendulkar's record broken; 135 runs against SA
<b>Rohit Sharma</b>	Cricket	Most sixes in ODIs	surpassed Shahid Afridi's (351) record; 277th ODI
<b>Sonam Yeshi</b>	Cricket	First bowler to take 8 wickets in T20Is	Bhutan vs. Myanmar; 4 overs, 7 runs, 8 wickets
<b>Prashant Veer</b>	Cricket (IPL)	The most expensive uncapped player	CSK bought for ₹14.20 crore; Left-arm spin all-rounder
<b>Virat Kohli</b>	Cricket	The second-highest run-scorer in ODIs	Kumar Sangakkara left behind; Also, the most runs in LOI (ODI+T20I)
<b>Rohan Bopanna</b>	Tennis	Retirement from professional tennis	Final tournament: Paris Masters 2025; World No. 1 doubles at 43; GS: 2024 AO (MD), 2017 FO (XD); 5 GS Finals
<b>P. Iniyan</b>	Chess	62nd National Chess Championship Winners	Guntur; undefeated in 11 rounds (7 wins, 4 draws); Buchholz - Winner by Score
<b>Abhishek Sharma</b>	Cricket	Highest ratings in T20I batting rankings (926)	Maximum in T20 history; First to cross 900+
<b>Anandakumar Velkumar</b>	Speed skating	India's first gold at the World Championships	Beidaihe (China) 2025; Senior 1000m gold; 500m Bronze
<b>Himanshi Tokas</b>	Judo	Junior World Ranking No. 1 (63kg)	The First Indian; Asian Junior Championships Gold; 5 International Gold
<b>Abhimanyu Mishra</b>	Chess	Youngest GM to beat the world champion	FIDE Grand Swiss 2025; Defeated D. Gukesh at 16
<b>Smriti Mandhana</b>	Cricket	Fastest Indian century in ODIs	50 balls; Against Australia (20 September 2025, Delhi)
<b>Sarvesh Anil Kushare</b>	Athletics	First Indian to reach World Athletics High Jump final	Qualification: 2.25 meters
<b>Madhav Gopal Kamath</b>	Scrabble	World Youth Scrabble Championship 2025 Winners	Kuala Lumpur; The first Indian winners; Global Ranking #8
<b>Satwiksairaj Rankireddy &amp; Chirag Shetty</b>	Badminton (Doubles)	BWF World Championships 2025 – Bronze	Paris (France); Aaron Chia-Soh defeated Wooi Yik; 2nd WC Medal (1st 2022)
<b>Arshdeep Singh</b>	Cricket	100 wickets in T20Is	The first Indians; Achievement in 64 matches; Asia Cup 2025 vs Oman
<b>Atiqa Mir</b>	Karting	European Karting Championship – 4th place	11 years old; First Indian/Asian selected for F1 Academy "Discover Your Drive"
<b>Anish Raj</b>	Inline speed skating	World Championships – Bronze	Junior One-Lap Road Sprint; 39.714 seconds; First Indian medalist

<b>Devika Sihag</b>	Badminton	Malaysia International Challenge 2025 – Gold	Women's Singles; First International Challenge title
<b>Ramesh Budihal</b>	Surfing	Asian Surfing Championships – Bronze	Mahabalipuram; India's first individual surfing medal
<b>Vedika Bhansali</b>	Golf	US Kids World Championship 2025 – Gold	9 years; Pinehurst (USA)
<b>Abdullah Abubakar</b>	Athletics (Triple Jump)	Kosanov Memorial – Gold	16.08 m; Almaty (Kazakhstan)
<b>Tanya Hemant</b>	Badminton	Saipan International 2025 – Gold	Women's Singles; Fourth International Challenge of Career
<b>Mirabai Chanu</b>	Weightlifting	Commonwealth Championships – Gold	48kg; 193kg total; Records in all three categories
<b>Annu Rani</b>	Athletics (Javelin throw)	Vislav Maniak Memorial – Gold	Poland; 62.59 m
<b>Harvinder Singh</b>	Para-Archery	Asian Para-Archery – Gold	Recurve Open; Gold in mixed event
<b>Lakshmi Jadala</b>	Para Lawn Tennis	Qualified for Special Olympics 2027	Cairo (Egypt); 2025 National Tennis Championships U-17 Gold; Asia's top-ranked para player
<b>D. Gukesh</b>	Chess	Zagreb SuperUnited Rapid Champion	Grand Chess Tour 2025; 14 out of 18 points; Defeated Wesley So
<b>Neeraj Chopra</b>	Javelin Throw	NC Classic winner	Bengaluru; 86.18 m; World Athletics 'A' Category Events
<b>Neeraj Chopra</b>	Javelin Throw	JK Memorial – Silver	Poland; 84.14 m; Julian Weber I
<b>Vaibhav Suryavanshi</b>	Cricket	Fastest century in U-19 ODIs	52 balls; vs England (Worcester); Youngest centurion in IPL
<b>Smriti Mandhana</b>	Cricket	First Indian woman to score a century in all three formats	Test-ODI-T20I; 112 runs in Nottingham T20I
<b>Divyanshi Bhowmik</b>	Table Tennis	Asian Youth Championships U-15 Gold	Tashkent; India got gold after 36 years
<b>Sujith Kalkal</b>	Wrestling	Ranking Series 2025 – Gold (65kg)	Budapest; India's First UWW Ranking Series Gold 2025
<b>Divya Deshmukh</b>	Chess	FIDE Women's World Cup Finalists	The first Indian woman; Qualified for 2026 Candidates
<b>Murali Sreeshankar</b>	Long Jump	Maia Sports Meet – Gold	Portugal; 7.75 m; Continental Tour (Bronze)
<b>Ancy Sojan</b>	Long Jump	Lugano Athletics Meet – Bronze	Italy; 6.36 m; 2022 Asian Games Silver
<b>Janhvi Jindal</b>	Skating	5 Guinness World Records	Free-style inline; U-18 First Indian Woman
<b>Anahat Singh</b>	Squash	World Junior Championships 2025 – Bronze	Cairo; Second Indian woman medalist
<b>Priyanka Goswami</b>	Race Walk	Austrian Racewalking Championships – Gold	10 km; 47:54 minutes; First win of the season
<b>Arvind Chidambaram</b>	Chess	Winner of Stepan Avagyan Memorial	Armenia; 6.5/9 points; Second international title of 2025
<b>Neeraj Chopra</b>	Javelin Throw	Ostrava Golden Spike 2025 – Gold	24 June 2025; Czechia; 84.12 m
<b>Neeraj Chopra</b>	Javelin Throw	Paris Diamond League 2025 – 1st place	88.16 m; First DL win since June 2023

<b>Neeraj Chopra</b>	Javelin Throw	Potch Invitational Track – Gold	Potchefstroom (South Africa); 84.52 m
<b>Mahendra Gurjar</b>	Para Athletics	Javelin Throw F42 – World Records & Gold	Knotville (Switzerland); 61.17 m
<b>Sumit Antil</b>	Para Athletics	Javelin throw F64 – Gold	72.35 m; World Para Athletics
<b>Kush Manny</b>	Motorsport	First Indian to win a Formula 2 race	Monaco GP 2025; First F2 win
<b>Pankaj Advani</b>	Billiards	CCI Billiards Classic 2025 Winners	Third title; A total of 28 World Championships
<b>Ankur Bhattacharjee &amp; Abhinanda Pradhadi</b>	Table Tennis	WTT Youth Star Contender U-19 Doubles – Gold	Bangkok; Final won 3-1
<b>R. Praggnanandhaa</b>	Chess	Superbet Classic 2025 Winner	First Grand Chess Tour title; Bucharest
<b>Manush Shah &amp; Diya Chitale</b>	Table Tennis	WTT Contender Tunis 2025 – Mixed Doubles Gold	The second Indian pair to win the title
<b>Koneru Humpy</b>	Chess	FIDE Women's Grand Prix (Pune) Winners	7/9 points; Before the tiebreak
<b>Sourav Kothari</b>	Billiards	IBSF World Billiards Champion	Defeated Pankaj Advani in the final
<b>Arvind Chidambaram</b>	Chess	Prague Masters 2025 Winners	6 points; Lead by 1 point
<b>Anahat Singh</b>	Squash	SRFI Indian Tour 2025 – Women's Winners	10th PSA title
<b>Veer Chotarani</b>	Squash	SRFI Indian Tour 2025 – Men's Winner	Sixth PSA title; First in India
<b>Pranati Nayak</b>	Gymnastics	Gymnastics World Cup – Bronze	Antalya; Vault; 13.417 Score
<b>Manisha Bhanwala</b>	Wrestling	Asian Wrestling Championships 2025 – Gold	62 kg; Amman (Jordan); India's first gold
<b>Sunil Kumar</b>	Wrestling (Greco-Roman)	Asian Wrestling Championships – Bronze	87 kg Category
<b>Ritwik Bolipalli</b>	Tennis	Chile Open 2025 – ATP Doubles Title	14th doubles title
<b>Krishna Jaishankar</b>	Athletics	First Indian woman to cross 16m in indoor shot put	16.03 m; Mountain West Championships
<b>Pankaj Advani</b>	Snooker	36th National Snooker Championship Winner	Break of 84; Yashwant Club
<b>Wriddhiman Saha</b>	Cricket	Retirement from all formats	40 Tests, 9 ODIs
<b>Anahat Singh</b>	Squash	British Junior Open U-17 Champion	U11, U15, U17
<b>Jasprit Bumrah</b>	Cricket	Wisden Cricketer of the Year 2025	With Smriti Mandhana
<b>Smriti Mandhana</b>	Cricket	Wisden Cricketer of the Year 2025	Women's category
<b>Mahendra Singh Dhoni</b>	Cricket	ICC Hall of Fame (2025)	11th Indian player

<b>Rohit Sharma</b>	Cricket	First Indian to hit 300 sixes in IPL	Also 7000 IPL runs
<b>Rishabh Pant</b>	Cricket	Centuries in both innings of the Test	First Indian wicketkeeper
<b>Virat Kohli</b>	Cricket	100 half-centuries in T20	First Indian
<b>Virat Kohli</b>	Cricket	Fastest 14,000 ODI runs	287 innings; 51st century
<b>Mohammed Shami</b>	Cricket	200 ODI wickets – Second fastest	104 matches; 5,126 balls
<b>Rohit Sharma</b>	Cricket	12,000 runs in T20	India's second batsman
<b>Amit Mishra</b>	Cricket	Retirement from professional cricket	5 wickets on debut in the 2008 Mohali Test; 2013 Champions Trophy winner; The only bowler to take 3 hat-tricks in IPL
<b>Virat Kohli</b>	Cricket (Test)	Retirement from Test cricket	123 Tests, 9230 runs; 30 Century; Highest score 254*; India's most successful Test captain (40 wins); India's 4th highest Test run-scorer
<b>Rohit Sharma</b>	Cricket (Test)	Retirement from Test cricket	67 Tests, 4302 runs; 2 centuries in debut series; Test captain since 2022; Also retires from T20I
<b>Cheteshwar Pujara</b>	Cricket	Retirement from all formats	103 Tests, 7195 runs; 19 centuries; First Indian to score three triple centuries; 21,301 first-class runs
<b>Piyush Chawla</b>	Cricket	Retirement from all formats	2007 T20 WC and 2011 ODI WC winners; 446 first-class wickets
<b>Lalit Kumar Upadhyay</b>	Hockey	Retirement from international hockey	Member of the Tokyo 2020 and Paris 2024 Olympic bronze medal-winning teams; From Varanasi
<b>Vandana Kataria</b>	Hockey	Retirement from international hockey	First Indian woman to score hat-trick at Tokyo 2020; 320 International matches
<b>Achanta Sharath Kamal</b>	Table Tennis	Retirement in March 2025	7 CWG Gold; 5 Olympics; 2024 Paris Olympics joint flag bearer; IOA Athletes' Commission Vice President

## International Competitions

Competition	Location & Duration	Winner/ Result	India's Performance	Key facts
<b>Asian Youth Para Games 2025</b>	Dubai, UAE, 7–14 December 2025	Uzbekistan first in medal tally	56 medals (19 gold, 15 silver, 22 bronze) • 7th place	5th edition; AI-based robots for the first time; 99-member Indian contingent
<b>Junior Men's Hockey World Cup 2025</b>	Chennai & Madurai, India, 28 Nov–10 Dec 2025	Germany (8th title)	Bronze medal	14th edition; 24 teams for the first time
<b>Sultan Azlan Shah Cup 2025</b>	Ipoh, Malaysia	Belgium (first title)	Runner-up	India is the second most successful team with 5 titles.
<b>SAFF Women's Club</b>	Kathmandu, Nepal	East Bengal FC	—	First SAFF Women's Club

<b>Championship 2025</b>				Championship; Indian Women's Club's first international trophy
<b>South Asian Ball Badminton Championship 2025</b>	Patna, India, 27–29 Dec.	India (Both Men and Women)	Gold (both categories)	Men's/ Women's/ Mixed Doubles—All titles from India
<b>Asian Youth Games 2025</b>	Manama, Bahrain, 22–31 October 2025	India ranks 6th in medals tally	48 medals (13 gold, 18 silver, 17 bronze)	India's best ever performance; A 222-player squad; Qualifying Event for Youth Olympics 2026
<b>Asian Archery Championships 2025</b>	Dhaka, Bangladesh, 8–14 November 2025	India - First position	10 medals (6 gold, 3 silver, 1 bronze)	India's best performance in the history of Asian archery
<b>Kognivera International Polo Cup 2025</b>	Jaipur Polo Ground, India	India	Gold Medal	India beat Argentina by 10–9; Captain: Sawai Padmanabh Singh
<b>International Polo Cup 2025</b>	Jaipur Polo Ground, New Delhi, 26th October 2025	India	Gold Medal	Events under the aegis of IPA and Ministry of Sports
<b>11th Asian Aquatics Championship 2025</b>	Ahmedabad, India, 28 Sep–11 Oct. 2025	China - First	13 medals (4 silver, 9 bronze) • 11th place	First ever event in India; 29 Countries, 1100+ Athletes
<b>Badminton Asia U-17 &amp; U-15 Championships 2025</b>	Chengdu, China	—	5 medals (2 gold, 1 silver, 2 bronze)	India's best ever performance; Diksha Sudhakar becomes first U-17 singles gold medallist
<b>Asia Cup 2025 (Cricket)</b>	Dubai International Stadium, 28 September 2025	India (beat Pakistan by 5 wickets in the final)	Champion – 9th title	Player of the Tournament: Abhishek Sharma; MVP: Kuldeep Yadav; Initiated by the ACC in 1984; ODI/T20I format
<b>Women's Hockey Asia Cup 2025</b>	Hangzhou, China, 5–14 September 2025	China	India - runners-up	China qualifies for FIH Women's WC 2026
<b>Hockey Asia Cup 2025 (Men)</b>	Rajgir, Bihar, 7th September 2025	India	Gold Medal	India's 4th Asia Cup; Qualified for WC 2026
<b>25th Commonwealth Senior Weightlifting</b>	Ahmedabad, 24–30 August 2025	India (First in the medal tally)	13 medals (3 gold, 7 silver, 3 bronze)	Glasgow CWG 2026 Qualifier Competition

<b>Championships 2025</b>				
<b>16th Asian Shooting Championship 2025</b>	Shymkent, Kazakhstan	India – First in the medal tally.	99 medals (50 gold, 26 silver, 23 bronze)	India tops for the first time; Kazakhstan second, China third
<b>Asian Cadet Cup 2025 (Fencing)</b>	Haldwani, Uttarakhand, 19 September 2025	—	1 Gold (Prachi Saini)	Organized by the Fencing Association of India; Prachi's first international gold
<b>CAFA Nations Cup 2025</b>	Hisor, Tajikistan	—	Bronze medal	India beat Oman for the first time; Victory in penalty shoot-out
<b>Asian Under-22 Boxing Championships 2025</b>	—	—	13 medals (1 gold, 4 silver, 8 bronze) • 4th place	India finished second in the U-19 category (14 medals)
<b>Under-19 Asian Boxing Championship 2025</b>	Bangkok, Thailand	—	14 medals (3 gold, 7 silver, 4 bronze)	India's strong performance
<b>World Junior Team Squash Championship 2025</b>	Cairo, Egypt	—	Bronze medal (Men's team)	U-19 competition; Team Sandesh PR, Yusha Nafees, Arihant KS, Aryaveer Dewan
<b>CONCACAF Gold Cup 2025</b>	Houston, USA	Mexico (10th title)	—	Defeated USA by 2-1 in the final; Second win in a row
<b>European Athletics Meet 2025</b>	Czech Republic and Spain	—	2 Gold medals	Mohammed Afsal (800m), Praveen Chitravel (Triple Jump – 16.80m)
<b>Polyak Imre &amp; Varga János Memorial Wrestling 2025</b>	Budapest, Hungary	—	10 medals (3 gold, 3 silver, 4 bronze)	UWW's final ranking series of the year
<b>IBSF World 6-Red Snooker Championship 2025</b>	Manama, Bahrain	Riley Powell (Wales)	Runner-up – Pankaj Advani	Won the final by 5-4; Winner is only 16 years old
<b>Badminton Asia Junior Championships 2025</b>	Solo, Indonesia	—	2 Bronze (Women's Singles)	Tanvi Sharma and Vennala Kalagatla; Two medals for the first time in one edition
<b>Archery Asia Cup 2025 (Stage-2)</b>	Singapore, June 15–20	India (First in the medal tally)	9 medals (2 gold, 6 silver, 1 bronze)	India tops in two successive stages
<b>Taiwan Athletics Open 2025</b>	Chinese Taipei, June 7–8, 2025	—	16 Medals (12 Gold)	India tops medal tally

<b>Norway Chess 2025 (Men)</b>	Stavanger, Norway	Magnus Carlsen	India Third	Carlsen's 7th title
<b>Norway Chess 2025 (Women)</b>	Stavanger, Norway	Anna Muzychuk	India Third	Muzychuk wins for the second time in a row
<b>Ulaanbaatar Open Wrestling Ranking Series 2025</b>	Ulaanbaatar, Mongolia, 29 May–1 June	—	21 medals (6 gold)	UWW's 3rd Ranking Series of 2025
<b>26th Asian Athletics Championships 2025</b>	Gumi, South Korea, May 27–31, 2025	China - First	24 medals (8 gold, 10 silver, 6 bronze) • 2nd place	Gulveer Singh was the star athlete by winning 2 gold medals.
<b>Asian Squash Doubles Championships 2025 (2nd Edition)</b>	Kuching, Malaysia, 23–26 June 2025	India (3 titles)	Men's, Women's and Mixed Doubles – Gold	First Indian pair to become champions in women's doubles
<b>Asian Para Badminton Championships 2025</b>	Thailand, 17–22 June 2025	—	27 medals (4 gold, 10 silver, 13 bronze)	India's best ever performance; Nitesh Kumar's 3 gold medals
<b>Malaysia Masters Badminton 2025</b>	Bukit Jalil, Malaysia, 20–25 May 2025	Men's Singles: Li Shifeng (China)	Kidambi Srikanth – Runner-up	First Indian to play BWF finals in 2025
<b>1st Asian U-15 &amp; U-17 Boxing Championships 2025</b>	Amman, Jordan, April 17–May 1, 2025	Kazakhstan - I	43 medals (15 gold, 6 silver, 22 bronze) • 3rd place	First edition organized by Asian Boxing
<b>SAFF U-19 Football Championship 2025</b>	Yupia, Arunachal Pradesh, 9–18 May 2025	India	Champion	Beat Bangladesh in penalty shootout in final
<b>Tri-series Women's ODI Series 2025</b>	Sri Lanka, 27 April–11 May 2025	India	Winner	Smriti Mandhana's century in the final
<b>Doha Diamond League 2025</b>	Doha, Qatar, May 16, 2025	Julian Weber (Germany)	Neeraj Chopra – Second position	Neeraj became India's first 90+ meter thrower
<b>Sudirman Cup 2025</b>	Xiamen, China, April 27–May 4, 2025	China (14th time)	9th place	Mixed Team Badminton World Cup
<b>2nd Asian Yogasana Sports Championships 2025</b>	New Delhi, 25–27 April 2025	India	87 medals (83 gold)	India tops medal tally
<b>6th Asian U-18 Athletics Championships 2025</b>	Saudi Arabia, 15–18 April 2025	—	11 medals (1 gold, 5 silver, 5 bronze)	Himanshu's first gold medal in javelin throw

<b>Freestyle Chess Grand Slam 2025</b>	Paris, France	Magnus Carlsen	Arjun Erigaisi – 5th place	Victory over Hikaru Nakamura in the final
<b>21st Asian Wrestling Championships 2025</b>	Amman, Jordan, March 25–30	—	10 Medals (1 Gold)	Manisha Bhanwala (62kg) Gold
<b>Asian Women's Kabaddi Championship 2025</b>	Tehran, Iran, March 6–8	India	Champion	India won the title 5 times out of 6
<b>3rd SABA Women's Championship 2025</b>	New Delhi, February 23–26	India	Winner	Defeated Maldives in the final
<b>Border-Gavaskar Trophy 2024–25</b>	Australia, New 2024–Jan 2025	Australia (3-1)	India runners-up	India-Australia Test Series
<b>Clutch Chess Champions Showdown</b>	—	Magnus Carlsen	D. Gukesh – Fourth	₹1 crore prize money
<b>India-South Africa T20 Series</b>	India	India (3-1)	Series Winner	India's 8th consecutive bilateral T20 win

Competition	Location & Duration	Winner/ Result	Key facts
<b>Formula 1 World Championship 2025</b>	Abu Dhabi Grand Prix (Final)	Lando Norris	35th World Champion; 11th British driver
<b>FIFA World Cup Qualification</b>	—	Curacao qualified	Curacao is the smallest country to qualify for the FIFA World Cup (population ~1.56 lakh)
<b>Valencia MotoGP 2025</b>	Valencia, Spain	Marco Bezzecchi (Aprilia)	Second consecutive GP win; Aprilia's first overall top-3 finish
<b>Wimbledon 2025</b>	London, UK, June–July 2025	Men's Singles: Jannik Sinner (Italy)	Sinner - first Italian winner; Fourth Grand Slam
<b>US Open 2025 (Tennis)</b>	New York, USA	Men: Carlos Alcaraz	Alcaraz's second US Open; 6 Grand Slams in 22 years
<b>Australian Open 2025</b>	Melbourne, Australia	Male: Jannik Sinner	Sinner's constant dominance; Women's Singles: Madison Keys
<b>Cincinnati Open 2025</b>	Mason, Ohio (USA) • 5–18 August 2025	Men: Alcaraz; Women: Iga Swiatek	Swiatek wins 24th career title
<b>Italian Grand Prix 2025 (F1)</b>	Italy	Max Verstappen	His third win of the season
<b>Dutch Grand Prix 2025 (F1)</b>	Zandvoort, Netherlands	Oscar Piastri	McLaren driver wins
<b>12th Men's Asia Cup</b>	Rajgir, Bihar • 29 August–7 September 2025	—	Bihar hosts for the first time; mascot "Moon"; 8 teams participated

<b>Hockey Championship</b>			
<b>First World Human Robot Games 2025</b>	Beijing, China	—	500+ humanoid robots from 16 countries; 26 Competitions
<b>Canadian Open 2025 (Tennis)</b>	Toronto (men), Montreal (women)	Men: Ben Shelton; Women: Victoria Mboko	Shelton was among the youngest winners; Mboko's first WTA title
<b>Pan American Hockey Cup 2025</b>	Montevideo, Uruguay	Argentina (Men and Women)	FIH WC 2026 Qualifier; Argentina's dominance
<b>Chess Esports World Cup (EWC) 2025</b>	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Magnus Carlsen	First edition; \$2,50,000 Rewards
<b>Hungarian Grand Prix 2025 (F1)</b>	Budapest, Hungary	Lando Norris	Won by a margin of 0.698 seconds
<b>Guimarães ITF Tennis Tournament 2025</b>	Guimaraes, Portugal	Ankita Raina Alice Robey	ITF Pro-Level Tournaments; Doubles title
<b>Diamond League (Pole Vault) 2025</b>	Stockholm, Sweden • June 15, 2025	Armand Duplantis (6.28m)	Pole vault world record for the 12th time
<b>Indonesia Open Badminton 2025</b>	Jakarta • 3–8 June 2025	Anders Antonsen, An Se-Young	France wins first Super 1000 mixed doubles title
<b>French Open 2025</b>	Roland Garros, Paris • 25 May–8 June	Carlos Alcaraz/ Coco Gauff	124th Edition
<b>UEFA Nations League 2025</b>	Munich, Germany • June 8, 2025	Portugal	Portugal's second title (2019, 2025)
<b>Spanish Grand Prix 2025 (F1)</b>	Barcelona, Spain	Oscar Piastri	5th win of the season
<b>UEFA Champions League 2025</b>	Munich, Germany • May 31, 2025	Paris Saint-Germain (PSG)	PSG's first UCL title; Desire Doue - 'Player of the Final'
<b>Queen's Club (HSBC Championship) 2025</b>	London, England	Carlos Alcaraz	Alcaraz's second Queen's Club title
<b>UEFA Women's Champions League (UWCL) 2025</b>	Lisbon, Portugal • May 24, 2025	Arsenal	Arsenal's second UWCL title (first 2007)
<b>UEFA Europa League 2025</b>	Europe • May 21, 2025	Tottenham Hotspur	First European trophy since 1984
<b>Italian Open 2025</b>	Rome, Italy	Carlos Alcaraz, Jasmine Paolini	Clay Court ATP/WTA Masters Tournament
<b>Geneva Open 2025</b>	Geneva, Switzerland	Novak Djokovic	Djokovic's 100th career title
<b>Madrid Open 2025</b>	Madrid, Spain	Aryna Sabalenka	Sabalenka wins third Madrid Open title

<b>Serie A football 2024-25</b>	Italy	Napoli	Antonio Conte won the title with the third club
<b>Squash World Championship 2025</b>	—	Noor El Sherbini (Women), Mustafa Asad (Men)	Noor El Sherbini's 8th World Title
<b>TCS World 10K Bengaluru 2025</b>	Bengaluru, India • 27 April 2025	Joshua Cheptegei Sarah Chelangat	17th edition; World Athletics Label Race
<b>Saudi Arabia Grand Prix 2025 (F1)</b>	Jeddah Corniche Circuit • 20 April 2025	Oscar Piastrri (Australia)	Third win of the season; moved ahead of Verstappen in the drivers' standings
<b>Japanese Grand Prix 2025 (F1)</b>	Japan	Max Verstappen	Fourth consecutive Japanese GP win
<b>Miami Open Tennis 2025</b>	Miami, USA	Aryna Sabalenka	19th WTA title; 8th WTA-1000
<b>All England Open Badminton 2025</b>	Birmingham, England • March 11-16	Shi Yuqi / An Se-young	World's oldest badminton competition
<b>India Open Badminton 2025</b>	New Delhi • January 14-19	Axelsen/ An Se-young	BWF Super 750 Tournament
<b>Spanish Super Cup 2025</b>	Saudi Arabia	Barcelona	Hansi Flick's first trophy
<b>FIFA Arab Cup</b>	Lusail, Qatar	Morocco	Morocco's second Arab Cup title

### Upcoming Events

Competition	Date	Location	Key facts
<b>39th Summer National Games</b>	February–March 2027	Meghalaya	Hosted for the first time in Meghalaya; earlier in the Northeast it was hosted by Manipur (1999) and Assam (2007).
<b>Commonwealth Games (CWG)</b>	2030	Ahmedabad, Gujarat	India hosted for the second time; New Delhi in 2010; SVP Sports Enclave and Karai Sports Hub are the major venues.
<b>ICC U19 Men's Cricket World Cup</b>	15 January–6 February 2026	Zimbabwe and Namibia	16 teams, 41 matches; final in Harare; India won the title five times
<b>World Badminton Championships</b>	2026	New Delhi	India hosts after 17 years; Last time in 2009 (Hyderabad)
<b>World Police &amp; Fire Games (WPFG)</b>	2029	Gujarat (RRU)	For the first time in India; Second Asian Host Country
<b>Commonwealth Kho-Kho Championship</b>	9–14 March 2026	New Delhi	For the first time in India; Kho-Kho at Commonwealth level
<b>FIFA World Cup</b>	11 June–19 July 2026	USA, Canada, Mexico	3 mascots for the first time; Events in 16 cities
<b>Commonwealth Youth Games (CYG)</b>	2027	Malta	Malta hosts for the first time
<b>ISSF Shooting Competitions</b>	2026–2028	India	2026 Asian Championships, 2027 World Cup, 2028 Junior WC

<b>Artistic Gymnastics World Championships</b>	19-25 October 2025	Jakarta, Indonesia	South-East Asia hosts for the first time; 86 countries
<b>Olympic Games (LA)</b>	2028	Los Angeles, USA	Cricket (T20) included after 128 years; 6 Men's and 6 Women's Teams
<b>ICC World Test Championship Final</b>	2027, 2029, 2031	England	ECB to host three consecutive editions
<b>Asian Games</b>	September 19-October 4, 2026	Aichi and Nagoya, Japan	MMA included for the first time; cricket also included in the programme
<b>FIFA Women's World Cup</b>	2027	Brazil	First South American Host
<b>Olympic Esports Games</b>	2027	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	First edition; a dedicated commission constituted by the International Olympic Committee (IOC)

## National Competitions

### Jharkhand won the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy

- Jharkhand won the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy title for the first time in the 2025–26 season.
- Jharkhand defeated Haryana in the final by 69 runs at the MCA Stadium in Pune .
- Jharkhand became champions for the first time under the captaincy of Ishan Kishan.
- Ishan was adjudged Player of the Match for scoring a century in the final while Jharkhand all-rounder Anukul Rai was adjudged Player of the Series.
- Jharkhand has become the 12th team in the country to win the domestic T20 title.

### Khelo India Youth Games 2025: Maharashtra finishes first

- Venue: Bihar (4–15 May 2025)
- Total events: 28 (27 competitive sports and 1 demonstration sport (without medal distribution))
- Gymnastics, shooting and cycling competitions were held in New Delhi.
- All other games were held in Patna, Rajgir, Begusarai, Gaya and Bhagalpur.
- The logo of this edition is – "Khel Ke Rang, Bihar Ke Sang".
- Mascot – Gajasimha (Mythical combination of elephant + lion, symbol of power).
- Maharashtra topped the medal tally with 158 medals (58 gold, 47 silver, 53 bronze).

#### Medal Position of Top 5 States:

Rank	State	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total
1	Maharashtra	58	47	53	158
2	Haryana	39	27	51	117
3	Rajasthan	24	12	24	60
4	Karnataka	17	26	15	58
5	Delhi	16	20	32	68

### 1st Khelo India Beach Games 2025

- Events: 19–24 May 2025 in Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.
- Opening Ceremony: May 19, Ghogla Beach, Diu.
- Mascot: Pearl – a dolphin seen on Nagowa Beach.
- Organizer: Union Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports
- **Game:**

- Medal events (6): Pancak Silat, Beach Soccer, Sepaktakraw (Kick Volleyball), Beach Kabaddi, Beach Volleyball, Open Water Swimming
- Demonstration Games (2): Tug of War, Mallakhamb

**Medal Table**

Rank	State/ Union Territories	Gold	Silver	Bronze	Total medals
1	Manipur	5	6	3	14
2	Maharashtra	5	5	10	20
3	Nagaland	5	3	5	13
4	Haryana	5	1	3	9
4	Jammu and Kashmir	5	1	3	9
19	Rajasthan	0	1	5	6

**Haryana finishes first in Khelo India Para Games 2025**

- The Khelo India Para Games 2025 concluded at the Jawaharlal Nehru Stadium in New Delhi.
- More than 1300 para-athletes participated in the second edition of the event in six disciplines – Para Athletics, Para Archery, Para Badminton, Para Powerlifting, Para Shooting and Para Table Tennis .
- Haryana topped the medal tally with 34 gold, 39 silver and 31 bronze medals.
- Tamil Nadu secured the second position with 28 gold, 19 silver and 27 bronze medals.
- Uttar Pradesh finished third with 23 gold, 21 silver and 20 bronze medals.

**First ever Khelo India Water Sports Festival in Jammu and Kashmir**

- The first edition of the three-day Khelo India Water Sports Festival was held from 21st to 23rd August 2025 at Dal Lake, Srinagar .
- The festival's mascot is inspired by the Himalayan Kingfisher, which signifies adventure, energy, and connection with nature.
- It was jointly organised by the Sports Authority of India and the Jammu and Kashmir Sports Council.
- The festival included **5 major water sports**: Kayaking and Canoeing, Rowing, Water Skiing, Shikara Race, and Dragon Boat Race.

**Khelo India Winter Games 2025**

- The Khelo India Winter Games 2025 (KIWG) was held in two phases:
  - Phase 1: January 23-27, 2025 (Ladakh)
  - Phase 2: March 9-12, 2025 (Gulmarg, J&K)
- More than 400 players from 19 States, Union Territories and Institutes of the country participated in the event .
- In the medal tally, the Indian Army stood first with 7 gold, 5 silver and 6 bronze medals (total 18 medals).
- Himachal Pradesh finished second with 6 gold, 5 silver, 7 bronze (total 18 medals), while the Union Territory of Ladakh finished third with 4 gold, 2 silver, 1 bronze (total 7 medals).
- The closing ceremony was held on March 12 at Gulmarg in Jammu and Kashmir.

**38th Summer National Games 2025**

- Uttarakhand hosted the Games in 12 cities from 28th January to 14th February 2025.
- The Games are organized by the Indian Olympic Association while the State/UT Government hosts it.
- Opening Ceremony: 28 January 2025, took place in Dehradun, Uttarakhand. Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the event.
- Closing Ceremony: 14 February 2025, took place at the International Sports Complex, Haldwani, Uttarakhand. Union Home Minister Amit Shah was the chief guest.
- At the closing ceremony, the national sports flag was handed over to Meghalaya, which will host the 39th Summer National Games in 2027.
- Mascot: "Mauli" – Monal, the state bird of Uttarakhand and Himachal Pradesh.

- For the first time in the history of sports, events were held in 7 cities of a state.
  - **7 cities:** Dehradun, Haridwar, Nainital, Haldwani, Rudrapur, Shivpuri and New Tehri.
- It featured 32 sports as well as four demonstration events.
  - **4 Demonstration Competitions:** Mallakhamba, Kalaripayattu, Rafting, Yogasana.
  - Mallakhamba and Yogasana were earlier introduced as demonstration sports but were later included in the medal games.
  - Kalaripayattu and rafting demonstrations were held in which no medals were awarded.
  - A total of 35 sports were held – 33 medal games and 2 non-medal games.

**The Army team won the Raja Bhalinder Singh Trophy for the 5th time.**

- The 'Raja Bhalinder Singh Trophy' is given to the team that wins the most gold medals in the Summer National Games.
- The Army (Services Sports Control Board) won this trophy 5 times – 2007, 2011, 2015, 2022 and 2025.
- The Services team consists of sportsmen from the Indian Army, Indian Navy and Indian Air Force.
- In the last edition (2023), Maharashtra won the trophy by topping the medal tally.

**Medal tally for the 38th Summer National Games**

Place	Team	Gold Medal	Silver Medal	Bronze Medal	Total Medals
1	Services Sports Control Board (Army)	68	26	27	121
15	Rajasthan	9	11	23	43
33	Sikkim	0	0	2	2

**Manipur wins 30th Senior Women's National Football Championship**

- Manipur won the 30th Senior Women's National Football Championship 2025 title.
- In the final match, Manipur defeated West Bengal by 1-0 to win the title.
- The final match was played at the RKM Ashram ground in Narayanpur, Chhattisgarh.
- This is Manipur's 23rd championship win, which is a national record.
- The Rajmata Jijabai Trophy is the most prestigious national women's football competition in India.

**Central Zone won the Duleep Trophy title for the 7th time.**

- Central Zone won the title in the 2025 Duleep Trophy by defeating South Zone by 6 wickets.
- The match was played at the BCCI Centre of Excellence, Bengaluru (Karnataka).
- Yash Rathore was given the 'Man of the Match' award.
- Under the captaincy of Rajat Patidar, Central Zone won the title for the first time since 2014-15.
- Central Zone has won 6 Duleep Trophy titles so far.

Competition	Location & Duration	Winner/ Result	Key facts
Junior National Rugby 7s Championship 2025	Dehradun, Uttarakhand	Bihar (Male & Female)	10th edition; U-18 players; Bihar won the title in both the men's and women's categories; Dual title after 2022

Ultimate Table Tennis (UTT) 2025	Ahmedabad	U Mumba TT	U Mumba TT won the title for the first time; defeated Jaipur Patriots by 8-4; 6th Season
IPL 2025	Ahmedabad, 3rd June 2025	Royal Challengers Bangalore (RCB)	RCB's first IPL title; Victory after 18 years; Defeated Punjab Kings by 6 runs in the final
Women's Premier League (WPL) 2025	Mumbai (Brabourne Stadium)	Mumbai Indians	Mumbai Indians win second WPL title; Delhi Capitals lost in the final for the third time
Indian Super League (ISL) 2024-25	Kolkata, 12th April 2025	Mohun Bagan Super Giant	Second ISL title; the second team to win both the ISL Shield and the ISL Trophy in the same season
Hockey India Senior Men's National Championship 2025	Jhansi, M.P., April 4-15	Hockey Punjab	Hockey Punjab's 5th title; beat Hockey Madhya Pradesh by 4-1 in the final.
Ranji Trophy 2024-25	Nagpur	Vidarbha	Vidarbha's third Ranji Trophy title; victory over Kerala on the basis of a first-innings lead.
Hockey India Senior Women's National Championship 2025	Panchkula, Haryana, March 1-12	Hockey Jharkhand	Hockey Jharkhand wins title for the first time; beat Hockey Haryana in the final
ISL Shield 2024-25	Kolkata, 23 February 2025	Mohun Bagan Super Giant	Second consecutive ISL Shield; beat Odisha FC 1-0; First team to win the Shield twice
Vijay Hazare Trophy 2024-25	Vadodara, Kotambi Stadium	Karnataka	Karnataka beat Vidarbha by 36 runs; 5th title; First title 2013-14; Also known as Ranji ODI Trophy
Santosh Trophy 2024-25 (78th edition)	Hyderabad, Telangana, 31st December 2024	West Bengal	Beat Kerala by 1-0 in the final; West Bengal's 33rd Santosh Trophy title
23rd National Para Athletics Championships 2025	Tamil Nadu, 17-20 February 2025	—	Participation of around 1,700 para-athletes; Country's premier national para athletics competition
1st Women's Hockey India League 2025	Ranchi, 26th January 2025	Odisha Warriors	In the final, defeated JSW Surma Hockey Club by 2-1; First Women's HIL Organized

## Miscellaneous

### National Sports Policy (NSP) 2025

- The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, approved the National Sports Policy 2025 (NSP 2025) on 1st July 2025.
- This policy is important for the comprehensive reform and national development of India's sports sector.
- The NSP 2025 aims to stimulate overall national development through sports.
- This policy will replace the National Sports Policy of 2001.
- NSP 2025 seeks to propel India towards emerging as a global leader in sports.
- The policy aims to make India a strong contender in global sporting events.
- This policy focuses specifically on the preparations for the 2036 Olympic Games.

### The Five Main Pillars of NSP 2025

- The policy has been based on five pillars, which strengthen the diverse aspects of sports development:

1. **Excellence on the Global Stage** – Measures to improve performance in international competitions.
2. **Sports for Economic Development** – Expansion of sports industry, employment and investment opportunities.
3. **Sports for Social Development** – Promoting Inclusion, Gender Equality, and Healthy Lifestyle.
4. **Sports as a People's Movement** – Increasing the participation of sports among the masses.
5. **Integration with Education** – Integrating sports into the education system under the National Education Policy 2020.

Heading/ Title	Key Points
<b>Abhinav Bindra – Winter Olympics torch bearer</b>	Milano–Cortina appointed as torchbearer for the 2026 Winter Olympics; Honoured for outstanding contribution to sports; The first Indian athlete to win an individual Olympic gold at Beijing 2008.
<b>Bronco Test</b>	Indian cricket team's new fitness test; Inspired by rugby; 20m–40m–60m shuttle run; A total of 5 sets (1,200 m); Target Time 6 minutes
<b>ICC–Google partnership for women's cricket</b>	Global Boost to Women's Cricket; Expanding fan engagement and digital reach; Personalized digital ecosystem through Android, Gemini, Google Pay, Pixel
<b>Apollo Tyres – Main Sponsor of Indian Cricket Teams</b>	Men's, Women's, Senior and Junior teams included; ₹579 crore bid; Agreement from 30 September 2025 (with Women's ODI WC)
<b>The nation's first College Sports League</b>	Launched by Kerala; Commenced - July 18, 2025; Organised by the Department of Sports and Sports Kerala Foundation; Based on the American College League model; Football and Volleyball in the first season
<b>Real Madrid – the most valuable football club of 2025</b>	Brand Finance Football 50–2025 Report; Brand Value €1.921 billion; Brand Strength Score 94.9/100; 15th UEFA Champions League Title
<b>Olivia Smith – Most Expensive Female Footballer</b>	A 4-year contract with Arsenal worth £1 million (≈₹11.53 crore); Women's football's biggest contract ever; Annual Salary ≈₹3 Crore
<b>T20 World Cup 2026 Qualification</b>	Italy and the Netherlands qualify; India and Sri Lanka co-hosts; Italy's first T20 WC entry; 15 teams qualified so far; largest edition of 20-teams
<b>Sudhanshu Mittal – President of Kho-Kho Federation</b>	Unopposed selection for 2025–2029; General Secretary: Upkar Singh Virk; 8 Vice Presidents
<b>Anahat Singh – 2 PSA Awards</b>	Women's Challenger Player of the Season; Women's Young Player of the Season (Combined) 9 out of 11 titles in 2024–25, 29 matches undefeated
<b>Tendulkar–Anderson Trophy</b>	India-England Test series to be renamed; In honor of Sachin Tendulkar and James Anderson; Begins 20 June 2025, Headingley (England)
<b>Khelo India North East Games (Annual)</b>	Held annually; rotated among the eight northeastern states; promotes regional sporting talent and traditional sports
<b>Hockey India Awards 2024</b>	Harmanpreet Singh (Men's Player of the Year); Savita Punia (Women's Player and Goalkeeper of the Year); 1975 WC Winning Team – Lifetime Achievement; Abhishek, Hardik Singh, Amit Rohidas, Arajit Singh Hundal, Deepika were honored in other categories.

## 5. Polity and Governance

### Bills/Acts

Bill	Key Points
<b>The 130th Constitutional Amendment Bill, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Introduced in Lok Sabha on 20th August 2025.</li> <li>• Objective: To keep tainted leaders away from power.</li> <li>• Amendments: Articles 75, 164 and 239AA.</li> <li>• Provisions: The post is automatically terminated if the PM/CM/Minister spends 30 days in jail in a serious criminal case (<math>\geq 5</math> years sentence).</li> <li>• Automatic release from the post on the 31st day if advice is not given.</li> <li>• Reappointment possible after release.</li> <li>• This provision is also applicable to the Prime Minister and Chief Ministers.</li> </ul>
<b>Viksit Bharat— Guarantee for Rozgar and Ajeevika Mission (Gramin) (VB-G RAM G) Act, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New legislation to replace MGNREGA.</li> <li>• Presidential Approval: 21 December 2025.</li> <li>• 125 days of guaranteed employment to rural households (100 days in MGNREGA).</li> <li>• Objective: To strengthen employment, livelihood and rural infrastructure.</li> <li>• To be adopted by states within six months.</li> <li>• Unemployment allowance in case of non-payment on time.</li> <li>• Work Categories: Water Security, Rural Infrastructure, Livelihood Infrastructure, Disaster Resilience.</li> <li>• In the agricultural season, the states can suspend the scheme for a maximum of 60 days.</li> <li>• VGPPs will be linked to PM Gati Shakti.</li> <li>• +50 days in disaster/drought zones; 150 days employment to ST families in some forest areas.</li> <li><b>VB-G RAM G : Centre-State Financial Partnership -</b></li> <li>• Normal states and Union Territories with legislatures: 60:40 (Centre: State).</li> <li>• Northeast and Himalayan states and some UTs: 90:10.</li> <li>• UTs without legislatures: 100% central funding.</li> </ul>
<b>Viksit Bharat Shiksha Adhishthan (VBSA) Bill, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduced on: 15 December 2025.</li> <li>• Objective: Coordination, standardization and strong regulation in higher education.</li> <li>• Referred to the Joint Parliamentary Committee (JPC).</li> <li>• Proposal to repeal the UGC (1956), AICTE (1987), NCTE (1993) Acts.</li> <li><b>Structure of Viksit Bharat Education Foundation (VBSA)</b></li> <li>• A 12-member apex commission.</li> <li>• It will replace UGC, AICTE, NCTE .</li> <li>• Chairperson: By the President (on the recommendation of the Centre).</li> <li><b>Three Councils under the VBSA</b></li> <li>1. <b>Education Regulation Council</b> – regulatory standards and compliance.</li> <li>2. <b>Education Quality Council</b> – independent accreditation authority.</li> <li>3. <b>Education Standards Council</b> – minimum academic standards and uniformity.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Right to Disconnect Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Introduced:</b> 6 December 2025; <b>MP: Supriya Sule</b> (NCP).</li> <li>• <b>Objective:</b> To reduce digital fatigue and promote work-life balance.</li> <li>• <b>Provision:</b> Legal right to refuse work-related calls, emails, and messages after office hours and on holidays.</li> <li>• <b>Penalty for violation:</b> Fine of up to <b>1% of the total wages</b> of employees.</li> <li>• <b>Additional provision:</b> Proposal for <b>overtime payment</b> for work performed beyond office hours.</li> </ul>
<p><b>SHANTI Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full form: Sustainable Harnessing and Advancement of Nuclear Energy for Transforming India</li> <li>• Objective: Controlled private participation in the civil nuclear energy sector.</li> <li>• Target: 100 GW of nuclear capacity by 2047 (current ~ 8 GW).</li> <li>• Nuclear material and radioactive waste: under the control of DAE.</li> <li>• Private companies allowed up to 49% equity investment.</li> <li>• Proposal for an independent nuclear safety authority and a special tribunal.</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Central Excise (Amendment) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Objective:</b> To maintain the tax burden after the discontinuation of the GST compensation cess.</li> <li>• <b>No new tax:</b> Instead, restoration of earlier excise duty powers.</li> <li>• <b>Increase in excise duty and cess</b> on tobacco and tobacco products.</li> <li>• <b>Cigarette tax slabs increased</b> from ₹200–₹735 per thousand to ₹2,700–₹11,000 per thousand.</li> <li>• Chewing tobacco: 25% → 100%; Hookah tobacco: 40%.</li> <li>• Smoking blend: 60% → 325%.</li> <li>• Goal: To reduce tobacco consumption and protect public health</li> </ul>
<p><b>"Sabka Bima, Sabki Raksha" (Insurance Laws Amendment) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by Parliament: 17 December 2025</li> <li>• Amendments to the Insurance Act 1938, LIC Act 1956, IRDAI Act 1999</li> <li>• Objectives: Expansion of insurance coverage, ease of doing business, better governance.</li> <li>• FDI limit in insurance companies 100%.</li> <li>• Provision for one-time licensing and suspension for insurance intermediaries.</li> <li>• Establishment of Policyholder Education and Protection Fund.</li> </ul>
<p><b>The National Sports Administration Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by both Houses of Parliament.</li> <li>• Objective: Olympic bid and world-class sports infrastructure.</li> <li>• Recognition and regulation of National Sports Bodies.</li> <li>• Provisions relating to the National Olympic Committee, the Paralympic Committee, and sports federations.</li> <li>• Compulsory participation of sportspersons and women in the Executive Committees.</li> <li>• Establishment of National Sports Tribunal for settlement of sports disputes.</li> </ul>
<p><b>National Anti-Doping (Amendment) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amendments to the National Anti-Doping Act, 2022.</li> <li>• A stringent framework to prevent doping in sports.</li> <li>• Provisions for testing, investigation, and adjudication.</li> <li>• Strengthening the role of the National Anti-Doping Agency (NADA).</li> <li>• Setting up of the National Anti-Doping Board for monitoring and advising.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Jan Vishwas (Amendment to Provisions) Bill, 2025</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by Parliament; Extension of the Public Confidence Act, 2023.</li> <li>• Objective: Ease of Doing Business and Ease of Living</li> <li>• 16 Central Acts of 10 Ministries .</li> <li>• Amendments to a total of 355 provisions.</li> <li>• Decriminalization of 288 provisions.</li> <li>• Warnings/advisories on first time violations.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Replacement of imprisonment with fines for minor offences.</li> <li>• Automatic 10% increase in fines every 3 years.</li> </ul>
<b>Online Gaming Regulation and Promotion Bill, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by both Houses of Parliament on 20–21 August 2025.</li> <li>• <b>Objective:</b> To promote e-sports and socially beneficial online games, and to curb harmful real-money gaming</li> <li>• Categories: (1) e-Sports (Skill Based), (2) Social Online Games (Without Reward), (3) Online Money Games (Poker, Rummy, etc.).</li> <li>• Formation of an Online Gaming Authority.</li> <li>• Penalties: First offence – up to 3 years imprisonment and ₹1 crore fine; Imprisonment for 3-5 years and a fine of ₹2 crore on repetition .</li> </ul>
<b>The Waqf (Amendment) Act, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective: 8 April 2025.</li> <li>• Objectives: Transparency, asset protection, good governance.</li> <li>• Arbitrary claims prohibited; Challenge possible in court.</li> <li>• Property of tribal areas not Waqf.</li> <li>• Non-Muslim and 2 women members are mandatory in the Waqf Board .</li> <li>• Waqf Contribution: 7% → 5%. • Audit mandatory on income above ₹1 lakh .</li> <li>• The District Collector will conduct a survey and determine the ownership.</li> <li>• Some provisions stayed by the Supreme Court.</li> </ul>
<b>The Tribhuvan Cooperative University Bill, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by Parliament.</li> <li>• First Cooperative Central University at Anand in Gujarat.</li> <li>• Objective: Education and training for the co-operative sector.</li> <li>• IRMA (1979) will be renamed.</li> </ul>
<b>Immigration and Foreigners Bill, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Passed by Lok Sabha: 27 March 2025</li> <li>• Objectives: Streamlining the immigration process, preventing illegal migration, national security.</li> <li>• Punishment for aiding and abetting illegal migration: 3 years in jail or ₹2–5 lakh fine or both.</li> </ul>

## Judgments by the Supreme Court

Title / Bill	Key Points
<b>Supreme Court's Judgment on Aravalli Hills (20 November 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Uniform legal definition of Aravalli hills and mountain ranges.</li> <li>• Hill: Landform ≥100 meters above the surrounding level.</li> <li>• Range: Group of 2 or more hills located within 500 meters.</li> <li>• Includes scientific mapping and buffer analysis.</li> <li>• Objective: To ensure uniformity of rules across states and prevent illegal mining.</li> </ul>
<b>Supreme Court stays earlier order related to Aravalli hills</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision: 29 December 2025</li> <li>• Reason: Ambiguity about the definition and extent of Aravalli.</li> <li>• Order to set up an independent non-bureaucratic expert committee.</li> <li>• The committee will reassess the environmental impacts of mining.</li> <li>• The scientific definition of 'hill' and 'mountain range' will be clarified.</li> <li>• Prior orders and recommendations postponed till the report is received.</li> </ul>
<b>No time limit fixed on bills for Governor/President: Supreme Court</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision: 20 November 2025</li> <li>• There is no fixed time limit in Articles 200 and 201.</li> <li>• The judiciary cannot impose binding time limits.</li> <li>• Meaning of "as soon as possible": Decision in due course.</li> <li>• Excessive delays subject to judicial review.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Background: Tamil Nadu vs. Governor case; The President sought opinion under Article 143.</li> </ul>
<b>Tribunals Reforms Act, 2021 declared unconstitutional</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision: 19 November 2025</li> <li>• The Supreme Court declared several key sections unconstitutional.</li> <li>• Reason: Excessive control of the executive over the tribunals.</li> <li>• The Centre's interference in appointment, salary, service conditions is against judicial independence.</li> <li>• The 4-year term is unconstitutional.</li> <li>• Minimum age limit of 50 years invalid.</li> <li>• Directive to set up a National Tribunal Commission (NTC) in 4 months.</li> </ul>
<b>Supreme Court order to declare the Saranda forest as a Wildlife Sanctuary</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Order to the Government of Jharkhand.</li> <li>• Objective: Protecting biodiversity, ecology and tribal heritage.</li> <li>• Location: West Singhbhum, Jharkhand.</li> <li>• Asia's largest natural sal forest.</li> <li>• Area: Approximately 820–900 km<sup>2</sup>.</li> <li>• Green corridor connecting Odisha and Chhattisgarh.</li> </ul>
<b>High Court vs. Supreme Court Controversy (2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The case related to Justice Prashant Kumar of the Allahabad High Court.</li> <li>• SC ordered to stay away from criminal cases, later withdrawn.</li> <li>• The 13 judges of the HC sought not to implement the order.</li> <li>• Issue: Administrative Superintendence of SC vs. Autonomy of HC.</li> </ul>
<b>Wikimedia case and Right to Know</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 9 May 2025: Supreme Court quashes Delhi HC's order to remove Wikipedia page.</li> <li>• Case: ANI defamation suit — dispute over the use of the term <b>“government propaganda tool.”</b></li> <li>• SC: Right to know is Fundamental right under Articles 19(1)(a) and 21.</li> </ul>
<b>Equal Pension to High Court Judges – SC Judgment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision: May 19, 2025</li> <li>• Equal pension and retirement benefits to permanent and additional judges.</li> <li>• Basis: Article 14 (Right to Equality).</li> </ul>
<b>Right to Digital Access – Article 21</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Case: Rajiv Raturi vs. Union of India (2024).</li> <li>• Digital access was considered a fundamental right.</li> <li>• It is mandatory to make digital KYC and services accessible to the disabled.</li> <li>• Equal digital access to education, health, identity and schemes.</li> </ul>
<b>Supreme Court directive on child trafficking cases</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>Mandatory disposal of cases within six months.</b></li> <li>• <b>Direction:</b> The <b>Supreme Court of India</b> to instruct all <b>High Courts of India</b> to issue orders to subordinate courts.</li> <li>• <b>Non-compliance:</b> To invite contempt proceedings.</li> <li>• <b>Legal basis:</b> Articles 129 and 215 of the Constitution.</li> </ul>
<b>Supreme Court recognises maternity leave as reproductive right</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Verdict: SC (Justice Abhay S. Oak and Ujjwal Bhuiyan).</li> <li>• Maternity leave was considered as a fundamental reproductive right of a woman.</li> <li>• Employers cannot deny it.</li> <li>• Maternity Benefit Act Amendment 2017: 26 weeks leave.</li> <li>• 12 weeks leave for mothers who adopt.</li> <li>• Objective: Labor security for neonatal care.</li> </ul>
<b>Supreme Court's decision on property rights</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Property rights are not fundamental, but constitutional and human rights.</li> <li>• Basis: Article 300A</li> <li>• 44th Constitutional Amendment (1978) – Abolition of Fundamental Rights.</li> </ul>

## Miscellaneous

Subject	Key Points
<b>PESA Rules approved in Jharkhand</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Government of Jharkhand approved the draft rules for the PESA Act, 1996.</li> <li>• Jharkhand is the 9th state towards notifying PESA Rules.</li> <li>• <b>Objective:</b> To ensure genuine self-governance of the Gram Sabha in Scheduled Areas.</li> <li>• The rules will give administrative and financial powers to the Gram Sabhas.</li> </ul>
<b>Release of the Indian Constitution in Santhali language</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Release: 25 December 2025, Rashtrapati Bhavan.</li> <li>• On the occasion of Good Governance Day and completion of 100 years of Ol Chiki script.</li> <li>• Indian Constitution in Santhali published for the first time by the Ministry of Law and Justice.</li> <li>• Santhali language was included in the 8th Schedule in 2003.</li> </ul>
<b>Bihar Assembly Elections 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Total seats: 243; Majority: 122</li> <li>• NDA with 202 seats with a clear majority.</li> <li>• BJP: 89 seats (largest party).</li> <li>• JD(U): 85 seats.</li> <li>• LJP (Ram Vilas): 19 seats.</li> <li>• RJD: 25 seats; Congress: 6 seats.</li> </ul>
<b>Special Intensive Revision of Electoral Rolls (SIR)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by the Election Commission of India.</li> <li>• Around 51 crore electors covered in 12 States/UTs.</li> <li>• First nationwide SIR since 2002–05.</li> <li>• Objective: To remove duplicate, dead, migrated voters.</li> <li>• New enumeration forms mandatory for all voters.</li> <li>• Basis: Article 326 and Representation of the People Act, 1950.</li> </ul>
<b>Impeachment inquiry committee against Justice Yashwant Verma</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The committee was formed on August 12 by Speaker Om Birla.</li> <li>• Accept the impeachment motion.</li> <li>• Committee Members: Justice Arvind Kumar, Justice Manindra Mohan Srivastava, Senior Advocate V.B. Acharya.</li> <li>• Procedure under the Judges (Inquiry) Act, 1968.</li> <li>• After the report, an impeachment motion will be brought in Parliament.</li> </ul>
<b>President's Rule extended in Manipur</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extended by Parliament for another 6 months from 13th August 2025.</li> <li>• President's rule came into effect from 13 February 2025.</li> <li>• Constitutional Basis: Article 356</li> <li>• Reasons: Resignation of CM N. Biren Singh, political instability, inability to form a government, caste violence.</li> </ul>
<b>High Level Committees for a Developed India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chairman: Rajiv Gauba (Former Cabinet Secretary).</li> <li>• Objective: To make India a developed nation by 2047.</li> <li>• Committees: (1) Viksit Bharat Lakshya Committee, (2) Non-Financial Regulatory Reforms Committee.</li> <li>• Group of Ministers for Coordination: Chaired by Amit Shah and Rajnath Singh.</li> <li>• State-level committee: Cabinet Secretary T.V.S. Swaminathan.</li> </ul>
<b>Lok Sabha Proceedings in 22 Scheduled Languages</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Announcement: Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla (Monsoon Session).</li> <li>• Proceedings available in all 22 languages of the Eighth Schedule of the Constitution.</li> <li>• Objective: To facilitate MPs to speak in regional languages.</li> <li>• Article 343: Hindi (Devanagari) Official Language.</li> </ul>

<b>Dismissal under Article 311 in Jammu and Kashmir</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Exercise of Article 311(2)(c) by Lieutenant Governor Manoj Sinha.</li> <li>• A teacher and an assistant stockman were sacked.</li> <li>• Allegations: Anti-national activities (reports of security agencies).</li> <li>• Dismissal is possible without departmental inquiry in the interest of state security.</li> </ul>
<b>27th Eastern Zonal Council Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date &amp; Venue: 10th July 2025, Ranchi.</li> <li>• Chairperson: Amit Shah.</li> <li>• Member States: Jharkhand, Bihar, Odisha, West Bengal.</li> <li>• Issues: Inter-state cooperation, transport, development, security.</li> </ul>
<b>25th Central Zonal Council Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date &amp; Venue: 24th June 2025, Varanasi.</li> <li>• Chairperson: Amit Shah.</li> <li>• Member States: Uttar Pradesh, Madhya Pradesh, Chhattisgarh, Uttarakhand.</li> </ul>
<b>Amendment to Ladakh Reservation and Language Laws (Ordinance)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ordinance promulgated by President Droupadi Murmu.</li> <li>• Reason: Ladakh does not have a legislative assembly, the President has executive power.</li> <li>• Provisions: SC/ST/OBC reservation in government jobs up to a maximum of 85%.</li> <li>• Domicile policy: Continuous residence of 15 years mandatory from 2019; those who settled after 2019 not eligible for domicile status before 2034.</li> <li>• 33% reservation for women in the Hill Council.</li> <li>• Official languages: English, Hindi, Urdu, Bhoti and Purgi.</li> </ul>
<b>Bihar: India's first mobile-based e-voting system</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiated by the Bihar State Election Commission (SEC).</li> <li>• Applicable: Municipal elections on June 28, 2025.</li> <li>• Announcement: Election Commissioner Deepak Prasad.</li> <li>• Remote voting through mobile app.</li> <li>• Apps: "e-Voting SECBHR" (developed by C-DAC) + SEC Bihar's app.</li> <li>• Beneficiaries: Migrant workers, PwD, pregnant women, senior citizens, Seriously ill voters.</li> </ul>
<b>Adoption of NeVA Platform by Puducherry</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Puducherry 19th legislature that adopted NeVA.</li> <li>• Objective: To make legislative work paperless and digital.</li> <li>• Project 100% Centrally Sponsored.</li> <li>• Implementation: Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs.</li> <li>• First State: Nagaland (2022).</li> </ul>
<b>New Motto of Lokpal of India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopted: 11 June 2025</li> <li>• New motto: "<b>Empower Citizens, Expose Corruption</b>".</li> <li>• <b>Objective:</b> To make the Lokpal more people-centric and awareness-based.</li> </ul>
<b>NITI Aayog's 10th Governing Council Meeting</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date/Venue: 24 May 2025, New Delhi.</li> <li>• Chairperson: Prime Minister Narendra Modi.</li> <li>• Theme: "Developed States for Viksit Bharat@2047".</li> </ul>
<b>Chairman of the Estimates Committee</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President: Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal (BJP)</li> <li>• Duration: FY 2025–26 (up to 30 April 2026).</li> <li>• Number of Members: 30</li> </ul>
<b>Chairman of the Committee on Public Undertakings (COPU)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• President: Baijayant Panda (BJP).</li> <li>• Tenure: 2025–26</li> <li>• Number of Members: 22</li> </ul>
<b>Telangana – First State to Implement SC Sub-Classification</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Law: Telangana SC (Rationalization of Reservation) Act, 2025.</li> <li>• Effective: 14 April 2025.</li> <li>• Basis: SC's August 1, 2024 decision.</li> <li>• The 15% SC reservation was divided into 3 groups.</li> <li>• <b>Criteria for SC sub-classification:</b> population, literacy, employment, education, financial assistance, political participation.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Increase in salary, allowances and pension of MPs</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24% Growth, Effective Date: 1 April 2023</li> <li>• Notification: 24 March (Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs).</li> <li>• Basis: Cost Inflation Index (CII) under the Income Tax Act, 1961.</li> <li>• Salary: ₹1,00,000 → ₹1,24,000/month.</li> <li>• Daily Allowance: ₹2,000 → ₹2,500.</li> <li>• Ex-MP Pension: ₹25,000 → ₹31,000/month.</li> <li>• Additional Pension: ₹2,000 → ₹2,500 per year.</li> </ul>
<p><b>JKIM and AAC outlawed</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date: 11 March 2025</li> <li>• Law: Section 3(1) of UAPA, 1967</li> <li>• Tenure: 5 years</li> <li>• Reasons: Terrorist support and anti-national activities.</li> <li>• The Central Government can declare the individual/organization as a terrorist.</li> <li>• <b>Basis:</b> Terrorist acts, planning, propaganda, or involvement.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Uniform Civil Code implemented in Uttarakhand</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicable Date: 27 January 2025</li> <li>• The first state to implement the UCC.</li> <li>• Exceptions: Scheduled Tribes.</li> <li>• Uniform laws in marriage, divorce, inheritance.</li> <li>• Registration of marriage and live-in relationship is mandatory.</li> </ul>

## 6. International Affairs

- Various Operations/Missions
- Different countries in the news
- Foreign Visits of Prime Minister/President
- Visit of Foreign Heads of State to India
- Major Agreements of India
- Various Global Initiatives
- Major International Conferences
- Membership in various organizations/institutions in India
- various
- PM Modi gets 29 highest honours

### Operations/Missions

Operation/ Mission	Key facts
<b>Operation Sagar Bandhu</b>	Humanitarian assistance by India to Sri Lanka affected by Cyclone 'Ditwah' (November 2025); ~14 lakh people affected in 25 districts; Food, water, medicines, tents and rescue equipment were sent; \$450 million aid and reconstruction package (\$100 million in grants + \$350 million in concessional loans)
<b>Operation Hawkeye Strike</b>	US strikes 70+ ISIS bases in Syria; action after the Palmyra attack; Use of fighter aircraft and helicopters; Training camps, arms depots and logistics centres targeted
<b>Operation Thunder</b>	Interpol's Global Campaign (15 September–15 October 2025); against wildlife trafficking; Participation from 134 countries; ~30,000 live animals rescued
<b>Operation True Promise-3</b>	Iran's retaliation against Israel led by the IRGC; Goals—Tel Aviv, Haifa, Rehovot; Power plants, oil refineries and research centers
<b>Operation Rising Lion</b>	On June 13, 2025, Israel carried out airstrikes on Iran's nuclear and military bases; Natanz uranium enrichment center targeted; Top commanders, including IRGC chief Hossein Salami, were killed.
<b>Operation Midnight Hammer</b>	On June 22, 2025, the US attacked Iran's Fordo, Natanz and Isfahan nuclear facilities; the use of B-2 Spirit, Tomahawk missiles and GBU-57 bunker busters; The first real experiment of the GBU-57/B
<b>Operation Bashair al-Fatah</b>	Iran's actions in response to Operation Midnight Hammer; Meaning: "declaration of victory"; operated by the IRGC; Missile attack on Qatar's Al-Udeid airbase
<b>Operation Sindhu</b>	India evacuates Indian citizens and students from Iran amid Iran-Israel conflict; Safe evacuation from Iran → Armenia route
<b>Operation Sindoor</b>	Precision strikes on 9 terror targets in Pakistan and PoJK by Indian Armed Forces on 7 May 2025; Action after Pahalgam attack (25 Indians + 1 Nepalese killed)
<b>Operation Gideon's Chariots</b>	Operations in Gaza by Israel on 17 May 2025; Objectives—the release of Israeli hostages and the control of Gaza; Intensive ground incursions
<b>Operation Hawk 2025</b>	Based on intelligence obtained from the US-led <i>Operation Hawk</i> , the Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI) busted a global child sexual exploitation cyber network.
<b>Operation Brahma</b>	India's emergency response after Myanmar earthquake on March 28; a 118-member medical team; a 60-bed medical center; 50 (I) Rescue unit of Para Brigade deployed

<b>Operation Sky Shield</b>	European Union's military aid plan for Ukraine; protection of western Ukraine from Russian cruise missiles; Air defense support by EU fighters
<b>Operation Haskanite</b>	Chad's military operations against Boko Haram; action in the Lake Chad area; Boko Haram—Nigeria-based terrorist organization

## Countries in News

Country	News
<b>Bulgaria</b>	Allowed to adopt the euro currency from January 1, 2026; 21st Eurozone Member; Eurozone = the countries of the EU that made the euro the official currency (currently 20 countries)
<b>Italy</b>	The entire national culinary arts were included in the UNESCO's Intangible Cultural Heritage List; The first country in the world to be recognized for the entire national culinary tradition; Recognition granted in December 2025; Italian cuisine has been recognised as a living cultural tradition by UNESCO.
<b>Saudi Arabia – Pakistan</b>	Signed the "Strategic Mutual Defense Agreement" on 17 September 2025; An attack on one country would be considered an attack on both; Impact on West Asia–South Asia Geopolitics
<b>Israel/ Somaliland</b>	Israel became the first country to recognize Somaliland as an independent country; Somaliland Autonomous Region of Somalia; The United States and the African Union opposed; Strategic importance due to the Gulf of Aden
<b>Oman</b>	Becomes the first country to issue a polymer one-rial banknote; Effective January 11, 2026; Size 145×76 mm; More durable and lower replacement costs
<b>China</b>	Construction of the world's longest highway tunnel 'Tianshan Shengli Tunnel'; Length 22.13 km; Xinjiang in the Uyghur Autonomous Region; Maximum depth 1,112 m
<b>Bangladesh</b>	First South Asian country to accede to UN Water Convention (November 2025); Legal framework for cross-border water management; India has not yet accepted it
<b>Maldives</b>	First country in the world to implement a generational tobacco ban (1 November 2025); Tobacco ban on people born after January 1, 2007; Total ban on vaping and e-cigarettes
<b>United Arab Emirates (UAE)</b>	World's third-largest humanitarian aid provider in 2025; \$1.46 billion in aid (7.2% of global aid); Third place after the US and the EU.
<b>Russia</b>	An mRNA-based cancer vaccine named <i>Enteromix</i> has been developed. Early trials showed 100% effectiveness and safety. Focused on the treatment of colorectal cancer. Developed by the National Medical Research Radiological Centre and the Engelhardt Institute of Molecular Biology.
<b>Bhutan</b>	Adani Power-DGPC agreement for 570 MW Wangchu hydroelectric project; Investment ~₹6,000 crore; BOOT Model; 1,020 MW Punatsangchhu-II project completed with Indian assistance, total capacity 3,500+ MW
<b>Brazil</b>	First country to invest \$1 billion in Tropical Forests Forever Facility (TFF); \$125 billion fund target; key agenda at COP30 (Belém, 2025); Focus on the conservation of Amazon and tropical forests
<b>Tuvalu</b>	The world's first planned migration plan due to climate change; the relocation of the population to Australia under the Treaty of the Falepili Union (2023); Average height ~2 m, population ~11,000
<b>Moldova</b>	Became the 107th member of the International Solar Alliance (ISA); Hands over Letter of Ratification in New Delhi
<b>Nepal</b>	Declared rubella-free by WHO; vaccination campaigns since 2012; 95%+ coverage by 2024

<b>United Arab Emirates (UAE)</b>	One Freezone Passport launched in Dubai—businesses across all freezones with a single license; Tax exemption, 100% foreign ownership; In line with the D33 Economic Agenda (doubling GDP by 2033 )
<b>Kenya</b>	Declared free of Human African Trypanosomiasis (sleeping sickness) by the World Health Organization (WHO); became the world's 10th country to achieve this status.
<b>Canada</b>	a 51-foot-tall statue of Lord Shri Ram in Ontario (Mississauga); North America's tallest; 200km/h Wind Endurance
<b>Russia (INF Treaty)</b>	Officially pulled out of the 1987 Intermediate-Range Nuclear Power (INF) Treaty; end of the 500–5,500 km missile embargo; The United States had already withdrawn in 2019.
<b>Australia</b>	Restrictions on YouTube for children under the age of 16; Effective - December 10, 2025; Fines of up to 49.5 million AUD for violations
<b>Colombia &amp; Uzbekistan</b>	New members of the New Development Bank (NDB); Total number of members: 11; Focus on development and infrastructure finance within BRICS.
<b>Trinidad and Tobago</b>	8th country in the world to adopt UPI; First country in the Caribbean region where Indian travellers can pay with UPI
<b>United Arab Emirates (UAE)</b>	Pilot project of enrolment-based Golden Visa for citizens of India and Bangladesh launched; Lifetime residency facility without investment; World's first driverless air taxi (Archer Aviation's eVTOL) successfully tested in Abu Dhabi
<b>United States of America (USA)</b>	The GENIUS Act (Guiding and Establishing National Innovation for U.S. Stablecoins Act) was signed on July 18, 2025—the first federal law regulating stablecoins; Senate passes 'One Big Beautiful Bill' — Focuses on Tax Cuts, Border Security, Immigration Control and Military Spending
<b>Russia</b>	First country in the world to recognize the Taliban government in Afghanistan; recognition on the basis of the Montevideo Treaty (1933); Officially withdrawn from the 1987 INF Treaty
<b>Pakistan</b>	Monthly Presidency of the UN Security Council for July 2025; appointed Vice-Chair of the UNSC Counter-Terrorism Committee (CTC); Temporary member term: 2025–26
<b>China</b>	World's largest Legoland Park (3.18 lakh square meters) in Shanghai (Trail Area); Moto Hydroelectric Project on the Yarlung Tsangpo (Brahmaputra) River—the world's largest hydroelectric dam, estimated cost ~1.2 trillion yuan
<b>France - New Caledonia</b>	Historic agreement—granting greater powers to New Caledonia; conferring the status of a “state”; creation of a new New Caledonian nationality (alongside France nationality)
<b>France - Brazil</b>	Launch of Blue NDC Challenge at UNOC-3 (Nice, 2025); Emphasis on incorporating ocean-centric climate goals into NDCs; 8 Countries Included
<b>Senegal</b>	Declared trachoma-free by WHO; 25th country in the world and 9th in Africa
<b>United Nations Security Council (UNSC)</b>	New non-permanent members for 2026–27: Latvia (for the first time), Bahrain, Colombia, Liberia, Democratic Republic of the Congo
<b>Brazil</b>	To host COP30 in November 2025 (Belém)
<b>Pakistan</b>	Appointed chairman of the UNSC's Taliban Sanctions Committee; The committee was established in 1999, reconstituted in 2011 under Resolution 1988; Actions—asset freezes, travel bans, arms supply bans; Vice-President: Guyana and Russia
<b>Nicaragua</b>	101st country to accede to the WTO Fisheries Subsidy Agreement; Prohibition of harmful fishing practices and marine biodiversity conservation; Only 10 approvals are left for the agreement to enter into force
<b>Germany</b>	World's largest net lender in 2024–25; surpassed Japan for the first time since 1990; The reason—€240 billion current account surplus

<b>Brazil</b>	IFFCO's first overseas nano fertilizer plant in Brazil ; IFFCO Nanovention-NanoFert (7:3 JV); Annual capacity 4.5 million liters
<b>Algeria</b>	9th Member of the New Development Bank (NDB) (19 May 2025)
<b>United Kingdom/ Mauritius</b>	UK cedes sovereignty of the Chagos Islands to Mauritius; Diego Garcia military base under UK control for 99 years; Strategic Areas in the Indian Ocean
<b>Bhutan</b>	Bhutan becomes the first sovereign country to adopt crypto payments in tourism. Initiative launched in partnership with Binance Pay and DK Bank. Supports payments in over 100 cryptocurrencies.
<b>Saudi Arabia</b>	TOURISE Global Tourism Forum launched (22 May 2025); public-private partnerships, long-term tourism strategies; TOURISE Summit 11-13 November 2025, Riyadh
<b>United Arab Emirates (UAE)</b>	World's largest AI data center in Abu Dhabi; 1 gigawatt AI cluster under OpenAI's 'Stargate' platform; First country to implement country-wide ChatGPT
<b>Nepal</b>	Yala Glacier (Langtang region) declared Asia's first "dead" glacier (May 12, 2025); 66% mass depletion since 1970
<b>Denmark</b>	World's first commercial e-methanol plant (CASSO); Opening May 3, 2025; Capacity 42,000 tons/year; Renewable Energy and CO <sub>2</sub> Utilization
<b>Mauritius</b>	First African country to sign the ISA Country Partnership Framework (CPF); Fourth globally (after Bangladesh, Bhutan, Cuba)
<b>Japan</b>	World's first 3D-printed railway station; the construction of Hatsushima Station in Arida City, Wakayama Prefecture, by JR West; Ready in less than 6 hours; Pre-Fabricated 3D Printed Components of Serendix
<b>United Arab Emirates</b>	Chairing the Interpol Governance Committee; Elections 11 April 2025, Interpol Headquarters (Lyon, France); Lt. Col. Dana Humaid Al Marzouki as Chairman; 67% Support
<b>Brazil</b>	Global Climate Change Council resolution ahead of COP30 (November 2025, Belém); Objective—Speedy implementation of COP decisions; Proposed under the UNFCCC
<b>Hungary</b>	Announcement of withdrawal from ICC (3 April 2025); PM Viktor Orban calls the ICC a "political weapon"; Announcement during Netanyahu's visit
<b>Indonesia</b>	Agreed to join the NDB (Announcement: 25 March 2025); Full member of BRICS on 6 January 2025 ; Southeast Asia's first BRICS member; NDB President: Dilma Rousseff
<b>France</b>	the world's largest reserves of 46 million tonnes of white hydrogen in the Moselle region; Estimated value ~\$92 trillion; CO <sub>2</sub> -free, natural hydrogen
<b>Armenia – Azerbaijan</b>	Agreed on a peace agreement; The direction of the Nagorno-Karabakh conflict (almost 4 decades) ends; The territory is part of Azerbaijan according to international recognition.
<b>Bhutan</b>	First two units of Punatsangchhu-II Hydroelectric Project (6×170 MW) commissioned; by BHEL; Under the India-Bhutan bilateral agreement; Wangdu District
<b>China</b>	CR450 high-speed train prototype released; Speeds up to 450 km/h; will replace the CR400; Improved traction and high-stability bogie
<b>Romania – Bulgaria</b>	Full Member of the Schengen Area; end land border controls; The barrier on the Danube Bridge was removed; Schengen now covers 25 countries of the EU (with the exception of Ireland, Cyprus)
<b>Georgia</b>	Declared malaria-free by WHO; Certification after decades of efforts; Included in the list of 45 countries/one region

## Foreign Visits of Prime Minister/President

Visit	Key Points
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Oman (17-18 December 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70 years of India-Oman diplomatic relations.</li> <li>• Signing of 7 agreements/MoUs .</li> <li>• Key Areas: CEPA, Maritime Cooperation, Agriculture, Higher Education, Maritime Heritage.</li> </ul>
<b>India-Oman CEPA (Comprehensive Economic Partnership Agreement)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signed on December 18, 2025.</li> <li>• Oman: Zero duty on 98.08% of tariff lines (99.38% of India's exports covered).</li> <li>• India: 77.79% concession on tariff lines.</li> <li>• Benefits to MSMEs, Textiles, Pharma, Auto, Gems and Jewellery.</li> <li>• ICT quota for Indian professionals 20% → 50%.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Jordan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first full bilateral visit by an Indian PM in 37 years .</li> <li>• Signing of 5 MoUs between India and Jordan.</li> <li>• Petra-Elora twin inheritance agreement.</li> <li>• 2025-29 Cultural Exchange Programme.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Ethiopia (16-17 December 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First trip to Ethiopia.</li> <li>• Addressed the joint session of the Ethiopian Parliament.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>India-Ethiopia Agreement (8 MoUs)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Establishment of strategic partnerships.</li> <li>• Customs Cooperation and Data Centre Setting.</li> <li>• Health support for Mahatma Gandhi Hospital in Addis Ababa.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Bhutan (11-12 November 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chief Guest at the 70th Birth Anniversary Celebrations of IV Druk Gyalpo at Changlimithang.</li> <li>• Joint inauguration of 1020 MW Punatsangchhu-II Hydro Electric Project.</li> <li>• ₹4,000 crore concessional LoC for energy projects to Bhutan</li> <li>• New Immigration Check Post at Hatisar in Assam for Gelephu Area.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Maldives (25-26 July 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Third official visit to the Maldives; Chief Guest at the 60th Independence Day celebrations.</li> <li>• Signing of 8 MoUs between India and Maldives.</li> <li>• Loan support of ₹4,850 crore (in INR for the first time).</li> <li>• Agreed to implement UPI payment system.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Brazil</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First bilateral state visit to Brazil; After 57 years.</li> </ul> <p style="text-align: center;"><b>India-Brazil Major Agreements (2025)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cooperation on terrorism and organized crime.</li> <li>• Agreement on the exchange of classified information.</li> <li>• Digital transformation, renewable energy cooperation.</li> <li>• Intellectual Property: DPIIT-MDIC MoU</li> <li>• Bilateral trade target by 2030: 20 billion USD</li> </ul>
<b>Prime Minister Modi's visit to Namibia (July 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First State Visit to Namibia; A visit by an Indian PM after 27 years.</li> <li>• 4 MoUs: Health, Entrepreneurship Development, Economic Development, Digital Payments.</li> <li>• Licensing Agreement between NPCI-Namibian Central Bank for UPI-like digital payment systems.</li> <li>• Addressed the bicameral Parliament of Namibia.</li> <li>• The most frequent Indian PM to address foreign parliaments 17 times.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Argentina (4-5 July 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first bilateral visit by an Indian PM after 57 years.</li> <li>• Lithium cooperation is extremely important (India is 100% dependent on imports).</li> <li>• Argentina has the second largest shale gas and fourth shale oil reserves.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PM Modi was awarded the 'Key to the City'.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Trinidad and Tobago (3–4 July 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Indian PM visit since 1999; First state visit.</li> <li>• First Indian PM to address the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago.</li> <li>• 6 MoUs: Pharmacopoeia, Sports, Diplomatic Training, ICCR Hindi Chair, Quick Impact Projects, Cultural Events (2025–28).</li> <li>• Announced joining CDRI and Global Biofuel Alliance.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Modi to Cyprus (15–16 June 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NSE International Exchange–Cyprus Stock Exchange Agreement</li> <li>• Agreement on the implementation of UPI through Eurobank in Cyprus.</li> <li>• Cyprus: EU Member, 2026 EU Presidency, Strategic Role in IMEC.</li> </ul>
<b>Prime Minister Modi's visit to Croatia (June 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first official visit by an Indian PM to Croatia.</li> <li>• Meeting with President Zoran Milanović.</li> <li>• 4 MoUs: Agriculture, Science-Technology, Cultural Exchange, Hindi Chair at the University of Zagreb.</li> </ul>
<b>Prime Minister Narendra Modi's G7 Outreach and Visit to Canada</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Participation in the outreach session of the 51st G7 Summit in Cananakis, Canada.</li> <li>• Underscored India's role on global economic and strategic issues.</li> </ul>
<b>Prime Minister Narendra Modi's third official visit to Saudi Arabia (April 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Third official visit on 22–23 April 2025; Visit abandoned after Pahalgam terror attack.</li> <li>• Co-chaired the second meeting of the India-Saudi Strategic Partnership Council with Crown Prince Mohammed bin Salman in Jeddah.</li> <li>• 4 MoUs: Space Cooperation, Health Services, Anti-Doping (NADA), Postal Services.</li> </ul>
<b>Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Thailand (3–4 April 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilateral talks with the Thai Prime Minister.</li> <li>• 6 MoUs related to Digital Technology, MSME, Handloom, IT, Maritime Heritage.</li> <li>- Agreement on cooperation in the development of the National Maritime Heritage Complex at Lothal, Gujarat.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister Narendra Modi to Sri Lanka (4-6 April 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Several bilateral agreements, including in the defence and energy sectors.</li> <li>• Virtual foundation stone of Sampur Solar Power Project.</li> <li>• Awarded 'Mitra Vibhushan' (Sri Lanka's highest honour) on 5th April 2025.</li> </ul>
<b>Prime Minister Narendra Modi's visit to Mauritius (March 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State visit of 11–12 March 2025.</li> <li>• Bilateral relations at the 'Advanced Strategic Partnership' level.</li> <li>• Agreement on joint development and launch of India-Mauritius satellite.</li> <li>• Training of Mauritius scientists by ISRO.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of President of India Droupadi Murmu to Angola (November 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8–13 November 2025; First visit by an Indian President.</li> <li>• 200 million USD LoC process launched to modernize Angola's defence.</li> <li>• 50th Anniversary of Independence Programme and Address to Parliament.</li> <li>• Angola is an important oil-producing partner of India.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of President of India to Botswana</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 60 years of India-Botswana diplomatic relations.</li> <li>• Cooperation on education, health, skills, energy, digital technology.</li> <li>• Agreement for Affordable Availability of Indian Medicines.</li> <li>• Address to the Parliament of Botswana.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of President Droupadi Murmu to Portugal (April 7–8, 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second Indian President to visit Portugal.</li> <li>• Conferred 'Key of Honor' and honorary citizenship by Lisbon.</li> </ul>

<b>Visit of President Droupadi Murmu to Slovakia (April 9–10, 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First Indian President's visit in 29 years.</li> <li>• 'Doctorate Honoris Causa' from the University of Nitra.</li> </ul>
<b>Defence Minister Rajnath Singh's visit to Morocco (September 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 22–23 September 2025; First visit by an Indian Defence Minister.</li> <li>• Strengthening India-Morocco defence and strategic cooperation.</li> <li>• Starting TATA Advanced Systems plant in Berechid.</li> <li>• Production of WhAP 8×8; India's first defence manufacturing plant abroad (also the first in Africa).</li> </ul>

## Visit of Foreign Heads of State to India

Visit	Key Points
<b>UK Prime Minister Keir Starmer's visit to India (8–9 October 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreed on technology, innovation, climate, trade and education.</li> <li>• Establishment of an India-UK Connectivity and Innovation Centre and a Joint AI Centre.</li> <li>• Launch of the UK–India Critical Minerals Supply Chain Observatory (Phase-II); Satellite Campus at IIT-ISM Dhanbad.</li> <li>• Lancaster University (Bengaluru) and University of Surrey (GIFT City) Campus Initiative.</li> <li>• India-UK CEO Forum and JETCO were reactivated.</li> <li>• Joint investment in the Climate Tech Startup Fund (UK Government–SBI).</li> <li>• Bio-Medical Research Career Program (Phase-III), Offshore Wind Taskforce; ICMR–NIHR Health Research LoI.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Sri Lankan Prime Minister Harini Amarasuriya to India (16–18 October 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First official visit to India.</li> <li>• Meeting PM Modi; Discussions on education, science and technology, innovation, development cooperation and welfare of fishermen.</li> <li>• Visit to Hindu College, University of Delhi; Communicate with students.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of President of Mongolia Khurelsukh Ukhna to India (13–16 October 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70 years of India-Mongolia diplomatic relations .</li> <li>• 10 MoUs: Humanitarian Assistance, Heritage Conservation, Immigration, Mineral Resources, Digital Solutions, Cooperatives etc.</li> <li>• Announcement of free e-Visa for Mongolian citizens.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Prime Minister of Mauritius Navinchandra Ramgoolam to India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bilateral talks with PM Modi in Varanasi.</li> <li>• 7 MoUs: Science-Technology, Ocean Studies, Public Service Reforms, Energy, Small Development Projects, Hydrography, Space.</li> <li>• Telemetry-tracking-telecommunication centre in Mauritius.</li> <li>• IIT Madras–University of Mauritius academic collaboration.</li> <li>• India's cooperation in Tamarind Falls (17.5 MW) floating solar project.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Singapore Prime Minister Lawrence Wong to India (4 September 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 5 Agreements: Civil Aviation, Space, Skill Development, Digital Asset Innovation, Green and Digital Shipping Corridors.</li> <li>• 60th Anniversary of India-Singapore Diplomatic Relations.</li> <li>• 16th India-Singapore Defence Working Group Meeting.</li> </ul>
<b>Chinese Foreign Minister Wang Yi visits India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Invitation to PM Modi for the SCO meeting in Tianjin.</li> <li>• Decision to set up an expert group for border dispute resolution.</li> <li>• Agreed to share emergency information on transboundary river waters.</li> <li>• Decision to reopen Lipulekh, Shipki-La and Nathu-La trade routes.</li> </ul>

<b>Visit of the President of Paraguay H.E. Santiago Peña to India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First official visit of President Peña to India.</li> <li>• Second visit by a Paraguayan President to India.</li> <li>• Signing of MoU for establishment of Joint Commission Mechanism (JCM).</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of President of Angola Joao Lourenco to India (1–4 May 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First official visit of the President of Angola to India.</li> <li>• MoU on Ayurveda and Traditional Medicine, Agriculture and 2025–29 Cultural Cooperation.</li> <li>• India announces \$200 million Defence Line of Credit (LoC) to Angola.</li> <li>• Angola became the 123rd country to sign the ISA Framework Agreement.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Sheikh Hamdan bin Mohammed, Crown Prince of Dubai to India (8–9 April 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First official visit of the Crown Prince of UAE to India.</li> <li>• IIM Ahmedabad's Dubai Campus (from September 2025 ).</li> <li>• IIFT's International Centre in Dubai.</li> <li>• Ship Repair Cooperation between Cochin Shipyard – Drydocks World.</li> <li>• 100-bed India-UAE Friendship Hospital in Dubai.</li> </ul>
<b>Visit of Sheikh Tamim bin Hamad Al-Thani, Emir of Qatar to India (17–18 February 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Emir's second state visit to India.</li> <li>• India-Qatar relations elevated to a strategic partnership.</li> <li>• Signing of 2 agreements and 5 MoUs .</li> <li>• Strategic Partnership Establishment Agreement.</li> <li>• Revised DTAA (Double Taxation Avoidance).</li> <li>• Financial-Economic Cooperation, Youth and Sport, Archives Cooperation.</li> </ul>

## Agreements of India

### RELOS: India-Russia Logistics Agreement

- It is a bilateral military logistics agreement between India and Russia.
- The full name of RELOS is Reciprocal Exchange of Logistics Support.
- The agreement allows the armies of both countries to use each other's military facilities for refuelling, repair, supply, berthing and maintenance.
- Russia officially approved the deal ahead of President Vladimir Putin's visit to India.
- Under this, India will get access to more than 40 naval and air bases of Russia, including important bases in Eurasia, Arctic and Pacific region.
- The agreement extends the geographical reach of India's military operations beyond the Indo-Pacific to the Arctic and Northern Sea Routes.

Agreement	Key Points
<b>India-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement (FTA) – Announced (22 December 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Talks started: 16 March 2025.</li> <li>• 100% of India's exports to New Zealand with zero duty market access.</li> <li>- Tariff liberalization covering ~95% of bilateral trade by India.</li> <li>- Benefit to labour-intensive sectors such as textiles, pharma, leather, auto, agriculture etc.</li> <li>• New Zealand's most generous offer to date in services (118 regions, 139 sub-sectors).</li> <li>• STEM students get 3–4 years of work permits; 5,000 temporary visas, 1,000 working holiday visas.</li> <li>• Encourage USD 20 billion investment over 15 years.</li> <li>• Carry out sensitive products (dairy, sugar, oil etc.); Protection of farmers.</li> </ul>
<b>India-US 10-Year Defence Framework Agreement (October 31, 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signed “Framework for the US–India Major Defence Partnership”</li> <li>• Military exercises, defense technology, intelligence sharing, defense industry cooperation.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Promote maritime security and a rules-based order in the Indo-Pacific.</li> </ul>
<b>India-US LPG Energy Agreement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2.2 MTPA LPG imports annually from 2026.</li> <li>• ~10% of India's total LPG imports.</li> <li>• Increased energy security and supplier diversification.</li> <li>• Joint Agreement by IOC, BPCL and HPCL.</li> </ul>
<b>India-EFTA Trade and Economic Partnership Agreement (TEPA) comes into force (1 October 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• EFTA countries: Switzerland, Norway, Iceland, Liechtenstein.</li> <li>• Commitment to USD 100 billion investment and 1 million direct jobs over 15 years .</li> <li>• Removal of duties on 92.6% of Indian exports by EFTA .</li> <li>• Promotion of IT, Education, Nursing, Mode-4 in services; MRAs.</li> <li>• Sensitive areas (gold, dairy, coal) were excluded.</li> </ul>
<b>70 Years of India-Mongolia Relations : Summit (14 October 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 70 years of diplomatic relations and 10 years of strategic partnership.</li> <li>• 10 MoUs: Humanitarian Assistance, Heritage Preservation, Minerals, Digital Cooperation etc.</li> <li>• India's support to the USD 1.7 billion oil refinery project.</li> <li>• Free e-Visa for Mongolian citizens.</li> <li>• Regional cooperation between LADAKH–Arkhangai Province.</li> </ul>
<b>India-Philippines Strategic Partnership (August 5, 2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Announcement by Prime Minister Modi and President Ferdinand Marcos Jr.</li> <li>• A total of 9 agreements—Strategic Partnership Action Plan, Staff Negotiations, Legal Assistance, S&amp;T, Tourism, Digital Technology, Space, Coast Guard Cooperation, and Cultural Exchange.</li> <li>• <b>Philippines is the first country to buy India's BrahMos missile.</b></li> </ul>
<b>India-Singapore Green and Digital Shipping Corridor (GDSC)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signing of LoI for Green and Digital Shipping Corridors.</li> <li>• Goals: Digitization and decarbonization.</li> <li>• Zero/Minimum GHG Emission Technologies and Digital Solutions.</li> <li>• Agreement during Singapore Maritime Week (March 2025).</li> </ul>
<b>India-Nepal Cross-Border Power Transmission Agreement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MoU signed on 22nd April 2025.</li> <li>• Agreement between PGCIL and Nepal Electricity Authority.</li> <li>• Establishment of two joint venture companies.</li> <li>• New momentum to India-Nepal energy cooperation.</li> </ul>
<b>India-Denmark Green Energy Cooperation (New MoU)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New MoU on 2nd May 2025</li> <li>• Objective: Collaboration in the 2070 net-zero target.</li> <li>• Focus: Power System Modeling, RE Integration, Cross-Border Power Trading, EV Charging.</li> </ul>
<b>India-UNDP Agreement for Waste Pickers</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Signing of LoA on 1 May 2025.</li> <li>• Objective: Improving working conditions and financial inclusion of waste pickers.</li> </ul>
<b>India-Zambia Cooperative Export Agreement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Announcement of the MoU on 12 August 2025.</li> <li>• Strengthening business alliances among cooperatives.</li> <li>• Market access of Indian cooperative products in Zambia.</li> <li>• Export promotion through NCEL.</li> </ul>
<b>India-France Skill Development Agreement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 22nd July 2025, Bharat Skills Next 2025 programme.</li> <li>• Cooperation in skill development, VET and training.</li> <li>• Sectors: Aeronautics, Hospitality, Energy, Media, Fashion, Arts and Crafts.</li> <li>• Proposal for a French-Indian business complex.</li> </ul>
<b>India-WHO Traditional Medicine Agreement</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry of AYUSH-WHO agreement on 24th May 2025.</li> <li>• Special modules for traditional medicine under ICHI.</li> <li>- Global Standardization of Indian Traditional Medicine.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Lothal Maritime Heritage: India-Netherlands MoU</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MoU for development of National Maritime Heritage Complex (NMHC) at Lothal.</li> <li>• Focus: Museum design, conservation, research, tourism, cultural exchange.</li> <li>• Lothal—Ancient port of the Indus Valley Civilization (~4500 years old).</li> </ul>
<p><b>India-Argentina Lithium Mining and Exploration MoU</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MoU between India and Argentina.</li> <li>• Meeting: Held in New Delhi.</li> <li>• Objective: To enhance cooperation in the mining industry, particularly in the area of investment opportunities and lithium exploration.</li> <li>• Helping to strengthen India's battery, EV, and clean energy supply chain.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Airtel-SpaceX (Starlink) India partnership</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Airtel and SpaceX's partnership for Starlink service on March 11, 2025.</li> <li>• The first official partnership since Starlink was authorized in India.</li> <li>• Focus on connecting schools, hospitals and communities in rural India with high-speed satellite broadband.</li> <li>• Note: Reliance Jio has also entered into a separate agreement for Starlink distribution.</li> </ul>

### Global Initiatives

Initiative	Key Points
<p><b>Pax Silica Initiative</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Strategic initiatives initiated under the leadership of the United States.</li> <li>• 'Pax' (tranquility/stability) + 'Silica' (base of silicon).</li> <li>• Objective: Secure, reliable, and innovation-based silicon and AI supply chains.</li> <li>• 9 Participating countries: USA, Japan, Republic of Korea, Singapore, Netherlands, United Kingdom, Israel, United Arab Emirates, Australia.</li> <li>• Focus on the entire supply chain from minerals, energy, semiconductors, AI infrastructure, and logistics.</li> </ul>
<p><b>ACTI (Australia-Canada-India Technology and Innovation Partnership)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiations by India, Australia and Canada during the G20 (Johannesburg).</li> <li>• Focus: Emerging technologies, green energy innovation, critical mineral supply chains.</li> <li>• Promote net-zero goals and AI-based governance/public service reform.</li> </ul>
<p><b>The Kafala system in Saudi Arabia abolished</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Saudi Arabia ended the Kafala system from October 2025 (Announcement: June 2025).</li> <li>• Reforms under 'Vision 2030'.</li> <li>• Excessive control of the employer in the old system, passport confiscation, limited authority.</li> <li>• New contract-based labour system: freedom to change jobs/leave the country, legal contracts, access to labour courts.</li> </ul>
<p><b>AmazonFACE (Free-Air CO<sub>2</sub> Enrichment) Project</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Starting near Manaus in Brazil.</li> <li>• Objective: To understand the response of the Amazon rainforest to rising CO<sub>2</sub> levels.</li> <li>• Cooperation between the Government of Brazil and the United Kingdom.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Simulating the future environment by pumping CO<sub>2</sub> into the wilderness.</li> </ul>
<b>India-UK "Ramanujan Fellowship" Programme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India-United Kingdom Joint Initiative.</li> <li>• Announcement during the British PM's visit to India.</li> <li>• Objective: International support to young Indian researchers in theoretical science/mathematics.</li> <li>• Partnership between DST and LIMS (London).</li> </ul>
<b>Ramanujan Fellowship: Structure</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Phase-1: Selected Indian PhD students research at LIMS, London.</li> <li>• Phase-2: 3-year fellowship (Mathematics and Theoretical Physics) for early-career researchers in India.</li> </ul>
<b>'Power of Siberia-2' gas pipeline</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Legal agreement between Russia and China.</li> <li>• Route: Russia's Yamal region → Mongolia → China.</li> <li>• Capacity: 50 bcm/year; Term: 30 years.</li> <li>• Length ~2,600 km.</li> <li>• Help Russia offset the decline in gas exports to Europe.</li> </ul>
<b>'3 by 35' Global Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiated by the World Health Organization (WHO).</li> <li>• Objective: Control of NCDs by increasing taxes on tobacco, alcohol, and sugary drinks.</li> <li>• Target: A 50% increase in the actual prices of these products by 2035.</li> <li>• Discourage unhealthy habits, reduce mortality, and increase revenue.</li> </ul>
<b>QUAD At Sea Observer Mission</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first maritime observer mission of the QUAD countries began under the Wilmington Declaration.</li> <li>• First cross-deck operation between the Coast Guards of India, the United States, Japan and Australia.</li> <li>• Implementation of the decisions of the 2024 QUAD Leaders' Summit.</li> <li>• Objective: To enhance coordination and interoperability among the Coast Guard.</li> </ul>
<b>India-EU: Hydrogen from Marine Plastics</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two joint research projects of India and the European Union.</li> <li>• Reducing pollution from marine plastic waste and producing green hydrogen.</li> <li>• Total investment: ₹391 crore (41 million euros).</li> </ul>
<b>New Zealand's participation in IPOI</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Zealand joins India's Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI).</li> <li>• The IPOI was proposed by PM Modi at the Bangkok EAS in 2019.</li> <li>• Objective: Free, inclusive and rules-based Indo-Pacific order.</li> </ul>
<b>New Zealand's membership in CDRI</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Zealand joined the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI).</li> <li>• CDRI was established by PM Modi at the 2019 UN Climate Action Summit.</li> <li>• Objective: Development of resilient infrastructure to disaster and climate risks.</li> </ul>
<b>Lake Tanganyika Biodiversity Conservation Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint initiative of Burundi, Congo DR, Tanzania and Zambia.</li> <li>• Period: 2025–2030; Leadership: United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP).</li> <li>• Financing: Global Environment Facility (GEF).</li> <li>• Lake Tanganyika: The second deepest and longest freshwater lake in the world.</li> </ul>
<b>Mission 300 Initiatives</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goal: Electricity to 300 million people in sub-Saharan Africa by 2030.</li> <li>• Key Partners: World Bank and African Development Bank.</li> <li>• Currently ~600 million people are without electricity (83% of the world).</li> </ul>

<b>Green Transition Alliance India (GTAI)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiative launched by Denmark with India.</li> <li>• Objective: Sustainable energy solutions and carbon neutrality.</li> <li>• Partners: GWEC, IDCC, DI, IIT Madras Energy Consortium.</li> </ul>
<b>Gold Card Investor Visa (USA)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New investor visa program of the United States.</li> <li>• Announcement: 25 February 2025 (President Donald Trump).</li> <li>• Cost: \$5 million; The EB-5 will replace the visa.</li> </ul>
<b>Global Plastic Action Partnership (GPAP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World Economic Forum (WEF) initiative.</li> <li>• Now 25 countries included; Total population more than 1.5 billion.</li> <li>• 7 New Countries: Angola, Bangladesh, Gabon, Guatemala, Kenya, Senegal, Tanzania.</li> <li>• Objective: To promote a circular plastic economy.</li> </ul>

## International Conferences

Programme/ arrangement	Date/ period	place of origin	Key facts
<b>4th UN Ocean Conference (2028)</b>	Year 2028	China and South Korea (co-hosts)	Declaration at the conclusion of the Third Ocean Conference (NICE) on 13 June 2025; The third conference was hosted by France and Costa Rica
<b>3rd United Nations Ocean Conference (2025)</b>	June 9–13, 2025	Nice, France	Theme: To mobilize all stakeholders and accelerate action for the conservation and sustainable use of the ocean; Joint event by France and Costa Rica
<b>52nd G7 Summit</b>	14–16 June 2026	Evian-les-Bains, France	In 2003, the G7 summit was held in the same city
<b>G-20 Summit 2026</b>	Year 2026	- Doral Golf Club, near Miami, South Florida, USA	The U.S. hosts; Events in Rio de Janeiro (Brazil) in 2024
<b>G-20 Summit 2025</b>	22–23 November 2025	Johannesburg, South Africa	Themes: Solidarity, Equality, Sustainability; First G-20 Summit to be held on the African continent
<b>G-20 Summit 2024</b>	Year 2024	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	Hosted by Brazil
<b>28th CSPOC Conference (Conference of Presidents of Commonwealth Parliaments)</b>	Year 2026	India	Focus: Use of AI and social media in parliamentary processes ; Announcement by Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla; India previously hosted in 1970-71, 1986 and 2010
<b>AI Impact Summit 2026</b>	19–20 February 2026	India	Global AI Dialogue from Action to Impact; Announcement by MoEIT; Focused on the real applications of AI in health, education, agriculture, climate, and good governance

### Conference of Parties 30 (COP 30)

- It was held in Belém, Brazil from 10th to 21st November 2025 under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).
- It aims to advance climate change, adaptation, mitigation, finance, and climate justice.

#### Main results

- COP30 **adopted the** Belém package, which consists of 29 decisions and aims to go beyond mere discussions to strengthen implementation, climate finance, just transition, adaptive monitoring, gender inclusion, and international cooperation.

- **The Global Mutirao Agreement** prioritizes cooperation and implementation capacity between countries rather than new goals.
- Brazil launched the Global Mutirao Platform, which focuses on bridging the gap between commitments and real progress through digital means in the energy, finance and trade sectors.

### Important Initiatives

- **Just Transition Mechanism (JTM) at COP30** **The Belém Action Mechanism (BAM)** was adopted, which aims to enable capacity-development and cooperation for fossil fuel-based economies, although it does not have assured financial provisions.
- The Global Implementation Tracker and the Belém Mission to 1.5°C were launched, so that the country steps and NDCs can ensure that they are compliant with the 1.5°C warming limit.
- The NAP Implementation Alliance was launched to speed up adaptation efforts, with countries agreeing to triple adaptation finance by 2030 compared to 2025.
- 59 voluntary indicators were decided to measure progress under the Global Adaptation Goal (GGA) and the Baku Adaptation Roadmap was finalized.
- **The Belém Health Action Plan** was launched, which aims to strengthen health systems to combat climate impacts. It is the first global plan linking climate-change action and public health.
- Brazil **launched the Tropical Forests Forever Facility (TFF)**, which is based on a satellite-monitoring based payment-for-performance model and aims to raise around \$125 billion.
- **The Belém 4x pledge** was announced, which aims to increase the use of sustainable fuels by four times by 2035 compared to 2024.
- **The Belém Declaration** was released, with 43 countries and the EU emphasizing the centrality of vulnerable communities in climate policy and advocating for prioritizing adaptation and social protection measures.
- **The Belém Gender Action Plan (GAP)** was approved, which aims to strengthen women's participation in climate governance.

### Key Challenges

- There was no common agreement on the phase-out of fossil fuels.
- There was not enough clarity and strong progress on climate finance.
- Several large emitting countries, including India, did not submit updated NDCs on time, affecting global ambition.
- Despite many pledges, concrete timelines, accountability and monitoring mechanisms remained unclear.
- The impact of equitable transition mechanisms is limited by the lack of assured finance.

### UNFCCC and COP

- The COP is the UNFCCC's apex decision-making forum, established after the 1992 Rio Conference.
- The COP began in Berlin in 1995 and by COP30 it has become a forum for 198 countries.
- The COP also serves as the CMP (Kyoto Protocol) and CMA (Paris Agreement).
- The COP is hosted by a rotation system in five UN regions; The next hosts are Turkey (COP31), Ethiopia (COP32) and India's proposed COP33 (2028) respectively.

### 8th International Solar Alliance (ISA) Conference

- The 8th International Solar Alliance (ISA) Conference was held in New Delhi on 28th October 2025.
- In this, India launched several new international initiatives to strengthen the global solar cooperation.

### Key Global Initiatives of ISA 2025

#### 1. SUNRISE Initiative

- ISA ने SUNRISE (Solar Upcycling Network for Recycling, Innovation & Stakeholder Engagement) पहल लॉन्च की।

- It aims to strengthen the circular economy by promoting recycling, innovation, stakeholder engagement in the solar sector.
- 2. One Sun, One World, One Grid (OSOWOG)**
    - It is an intercontinental solar grid network connecting Asia, the Middle East, Europe, and Africa.
    - It aims to strengthen global energy partnerships.
  - 3. Global Capacity Centre**
    - The centre will act as an international institute to promote research, AI-based training, and solar startup innovation.
  - 4. ISA Academy**
    - It is an AI-powered solar education platform, which will provide skill development and training as per the requirements of different countries.
  - 5. Solar Innovation Hub**
    - The company aims to establish a "Silicon Valley of Solar Energy" in India, which will accelerate advanced solar innovations.
  - 6. SIDS Solar Procurement Platform**
    - It has been jointly developed by ISA and the World Bank.
    - It enables joint procurement of low-cost and sustainable solar systems for small island developing countries.

#### **Logo of the United Nations Convention on Biodiversity (CBD COP17) launched**

- Armenia has unveiled the official logo and slogan for the 17th Conference of Parties (COP17) of the United Nations Convention on Biological Diversity .
- The conference will be held in Yerevan, the capital of Armenia, in October 2026.
- The official logo of COP17 is the **Yerevan Blue Butterfly (Polyommatus eriwanensis)**.
- This logo symbolizes the goals of the Kunming–Montreal Global Biodiversity Framework (KMGBF).
- The slogan of the conference is "Taking Action for Nature".
- The Conference of Parties (COP) of the United Nations Convention on Biodiversity (CBD) is the highest decision-making body associated with biodiversity conservation.

#### **UN Cybercrime Convention 2025**

- In Hanoi (Vietnam), 72 countries signed the United Nations Anti-Cybercrime Convention.
- It is the first global legal treaty to deal with cybercrimes.

##### **Key Objectives**

- **Legal Framework:** Guidelines for national laws by defining cyber crimes.
- **International Cooperation:** A 24×7 network of contacts for cross-border investigation and prosecution.
- **Technical Assistance:** Training and resource support, especially for developing countries.
- **Digital Evidence Sharing:** The exchange of electronic evidence in real-time.

#### **IUCN World Congress 2025**

- It was held in Abu Dhabi from 9th to 15th October 2025.
- This year's theme is "Empowering Transformative Conservation".
- The IUCN Congress is held once every 4 years.
- It is a premier forum where scientists, policymakers, and activists come together to discuss the future of nature conservation.
- **The last IUCN Congress was held** in Marseille, France in 2021.

##### **Key Findings**

#### **1. India's National Red List System (2025–2030)**

- India launched a five-year "National Red List" scheme to evaluate 11,000 species (7,000 flora, 4,000 fauna).

#### **2. First Dugong Conservation Reserve**

- India's first dugong reserve in Tamil Nadu's Palk Bay received global recognition.

- Dugong are vulnerable on the IUCN Red List and protected in Schedule-I of the Wildlife Protection Act, 1972.

### 3. Vivek Menon — Chair of IUCN SSC

- Vivek Menon, founder of the Wildlife Trust of India, became the first Asian chairman of the IUCN Species Survival Commission (SSC).

### 4. Sonali Ghosh receives international honours

- Kaziranga National Park Director Sonali Ghosh was honoured with the WCPA–Kenton Miller Award. The award is given for innovation in conservation and park management.

### 5. Recognition of wildlife as a climate solution

- Congress passed a resolution declaring wildlife "climate allies".
- They will now be seen not just as endangered, but as essential components of ecosystems and climate sustainability.

### 6. Abu Dhabi Call to Action 2025

- The IUCN launched a 20-year strategy for "a just and nature-conserving world".
- It also launched the Nature 2030: One Nature, One Future (2026–2029) program, which aligns with the SDGs and global biodiversity goals.

### 7. Motion 42 — The Phasing Out of Fossil Fuels

- The IUCN passed a resolution for the first time to gradually phase out coal, oil and gas production.
- The initiative was supported by WWF and the Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty Initiative.

### 8. Motion 108 — Control of the Wildlife Pet Trade

- Global guidelines were sought to reduce the risk of illegal trade, biodiversity loss and zoonotic diseases.

### 9. World Summit of Indigenous Peoples

- For the first time, the World Summit of Indigenous Peoples and Nature was held (8–10 October).

### 10. World Heritage Outlook 2025 Report

- The report pointed out that 43% of natural World Heritage sites are in climate danger.
- Only 57% of sites have positive conditions (down from 62% in 2020), showing the challenges of invasive species, climate impacts, and weak governance.

### IUCN's Global Soil Protection Law Resolution 007.

- The International Union for Conservation of Nature (IUCN) passed Resolution 007 on soil protection legislation for the first time.
- It is the world's first Model Legal Framework for soil conservation.
- The resolution was co-sponsored by Save Soil (Isha Outreach) and the Global Center for Environmental Legal Studies at Pace University (US).
- The framework will guide more than 90 countries in creating their own national soil laws.
- It aims to increase accountability, promote regenerative agricultural practices, and incorporate soil health into global policies.
- Following this proposal, the IUCN will set up a working group that will develop criteria for the formulation of an international convention or legal instrument for soil conservation.

### 80th Session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) – 2025

- The 80th session of the United Nations General Assembly was held from 9 September to 23 September 2025 at the United Nations Headquarters, New York.
- The session focused on pressing issues such as geopolitical tensions at the global level, the climate crisis, and the slow progress of the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs).
- **Note: Annalena Baerbock** (former Foreign Minister of Germany) was elected President of the UNGA in June 2025.
- Theme of the session: "Better together: 80 years and more for peace, development and human rights"
- **India represented:** by Dr. S. Jaishankar, External Affairs Minister of India.

assembly	The lunar day/ period	place of origin	Key facts
<b>23rd India-Russia Annual Summit</b>	December 4–5, 2025	New Delhi, India	Visit of President Vladimir Putin to India; Summit meeting with PM Narendra Modi; 16 agreements including defence, trade, education, health, media, culture; 30-days free e-tourist visa and group visa facility; Russia's joining the International Big Cat Alliance; "Programme 2030" adopted; \$100 billion bilateral trade target by 2030
<b>Putin–Trump Alaska summit</b>	15th August 2025	Elmendorf–Richardson Military Base, Anchorage, Alaska (USA)	Talks between Russian President Vladimir Putin and US President Donald Trump; Theme: "Pursuing Peace"; Russia-Ukraine conflict discussed, but no formal peace agreement
<b>WHO 's Second Global Traditional Medicine Summit</b>	17–19 December 2025	New Delhi	Co-hosted by WHO and the Government of India (Ministry of AYUSH); Objectives: Balanced, inclusive and sustainable health systems; Theme: "Restoring Balance: The Science and Practice of Health and Well-being"; Commemorative Postage Stamp on Ashwagandha released; Global Certification Standards for AYUSH Products; Establishment of STAG-TM Advisory Group; 1st Conference in Gandhinagar (Gujarat) in 2023
<b>Inauguration of the redeveloped headquarters of WHO SEARO</b>	19 December 2025	New Delhi	Inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi and WHO Director-General Dr. Tedros Adhanom Ghebreyesus; Project execution by NBCC (India) Limited
<b>11th United Nations Alliance for Civilizations (UNAOC) Forum</b>	2025	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	Theme: "Promoting Dialogue, Mutual Respect and Understanding in a Multipolar World"; The Indian delegation was led by P. Kumaran; Participation of political leaders, international organizations, religious representatives, youth, media and civil society
<b>ASEAN-India Tourism Professionals Exchange Programme</b>	December 12–17, 2025	Guwahati, Kaziranga, New Delhi	Starting from Assam (Guwahati); Organized by ATDC under the aegis of the Ministry of External Affairs; Linked to India's participation in MATTA Fair 2025; Objective: To connect Northeast India to the ASEAN Travel Circuit
<b>20th Session of the UNESCO ICH Intergovernmental Committee</b>	December 8–13, 2025	Red Fort, New Delhi	India hosts; Chair: Vishal V. Sharma, Permanent Representative of India to UNESCO; participation of 185+ countries
<b>UNCAC – COSP-11 (11th State Party Conference)</b>	15–19 December 2025	Doha, Qatar	the world's largest global anti-corruption conference; Qatar hosts in association with UNODC; adopted the "Doha Declaration 2025"; Emphasis on tackling cross-border corruption through AI and digital technology; 11 resolutions passed; Next COSP-12 in Uzbekistan

<b>Third Council Meeting of IALA</b>	2025	Mumbai, Maharashtra	Host: DGLL; Emphasises on India's role in maritime navigation safety and standards; Digital ticketing portal for 75 Lighthouse Tourist Destinations in India launched
<b>20th G-20 Summit</b>	22–23 November 2025	Johannesburg, South Africa	Theme: "Solidarity, Equality, Sustainability"; G-20 hosted by an African country for the first time; India was represented by PM Narendra Modi; South Africa G-20 Chair (1 December 2024–30 November 2025); 2026 Host: Americas; 19th Summit Rio de Janeiro (Brazil); African Union becomes a permanent member of G-20 in 2023
<b>8th International Solar Alliance (ISA) Conference</b>	28 October 2025	New Delhi, India	Several new international initiatives launched by India to strengthen the Global Solar Alliance
<b>7th Colombo Security Conference (CSC)</b>	20 November 2025	New Delhi, India	NSA-level conferences; Theme: Coordinated Security Cooperation in the Indian Ocean Region; Partner Countries: India, Maldives, Mauritius, Sri Lanka, Bangladesh; Seychelles is a full member for the first time; Malaysia Guest Country; Five pillars—Maritime Security, Counter-Terrorism and Radicalisation, Human/Drug Trafficking and Transnational Crime, Cyber Security and Protecting Critical Infrastructure, HADR; Objective: To strengthen the collective security strategy in the Indian Ocean
<b>First BIMSTEC–India Ocean Research Network (BIMReN) Conference</b>	4–6 November 2025	Kochi, Kerala	Participation of scientists and policymakers from BIMSTEC countries; Objectives: Review the progress of marine research and the Sustainable Ocean Administration; BIMReN launched in 2024 by the Ministry of External Affairs; Announcement by PM Modi at the 2022 Colombo BIMSTEC Summit
<b>37th Meeting of the Parties to the Montreal Protocol (MOP-37)</b>	3–7 November 2025	UNEP Headquarters, Nairobi (Kenya)	Review of advances in ozone layer protection; efforts under the Vienna Convention (1985) and the Montreal Protocol (1987); Last Meeting: MOP-36 (Bangkok, 2024); First meeting: Helsinki (1989); Next Meeting: MOP-38 Kigali, Rwanda (2026), 10th Anniversary of the Kigali Revision
<b>Second World Summit for Social Development</b>	4–6 November 2025	Doha, Qatar	The Indian delegation was led by Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya, Minister of Labour and Employment; High-Level Roundtable on Strengthening Three Pillars of Social Development
<b>APEC Summit 2025</b>	31st October – 1st November 2025	Gyeongju, South Korea	Topic: Building a Sustainable Future; Focus on Asia-Pacific Regional Economic Cooperation
<b>47th ASEAN Summit</b>	26–28 October 2025	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	PM Narendra Modi joins virtually; India was represented by External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar; Theme: Shared Prosperity and Stability in the Indo-Pacific; 2026 declared "ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation"

<b>East Timor becomes 11th member of ASEAN</b>	October 2025	Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia	Declaration during the 47th ASEAN Summit; East Timor gained independence in 2002; First under Portuguese colonization and later under Indonesia
<b>Gaza Peace Conference</b>	13th October 2025	Sharm el-Sheikh, Egypt	Co-chairs: Donald Trump (former U.S. President) and Egyptian President Abdel Fattah el-Sisi; Gaza focuses on ceasefire agreement; Objective: End war, restore stability and humanitarian relief
<b>16th United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD-16)</b>	20–23 October 2025	Geneva, Switzerland	Theme: Shaping the Future: Economic Transformation for Equitable, Inclusive and Sustainable Development; The Geneva Accords and the Political Declaration were adopted; Emphasis on bringing development to the centre stage of global economic debate
<b>68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC)</b>	October 5–12, 2025	Bridgetown, Barbados	organized by the CPA; Theme: The Commonwealth – A Global Partner; Objectives: Strengthening democratic institutions, technological innovation and inclusive governance; The Indian delegation was led by Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla
<b>United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD-16)</b>	22nd October 2025	Geneva, Switzerland	Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal; Emphasis on cooperation and inclusive growth among the Global South; Discussions on trade, technology and equitable economic opportunities
<b>25th Meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO)</b>	August 31–September 1, 2025	Tianjin, China	Presidency: President Xi Jinping; 20+ global leaders and heads of 10 international organizations; Theme: Upholding the Shanghai Spirit: Dynamics of SCO; 2025 declared "SCO Year of Sustainable Development"
<b>28th Universal Postal Congress</b>	September 8–19, 2025	Dubai World Trade Centre, UAE	Event in UAE for the first time; India was represented by Union Minister of Communications, Shri Jyotiraditya M. Scindia; UPI-UPU Integration Project Launched
<b>UPI-UPU Integration Project</b>	September 2025	Dubai	Joint initiative of Department of Posts, NPCI International and UPU; Low cost and secure international remittances; Boost to Financial Inclusion of Overseas Indians
<b>7th Future Food Forum 2025</b>	23–25 September 2025	Dubai, UAE	Discuss the challenges and opportunities of the global food system; Emphasis on partnership among the countries of the Global South; Topic: Building Resilient Food Systems
<b>India becomes member of Interpol Asian Committee</b>	19th September 2025	Singapore	Elections at the 25th Interpol Asian Regional Conference; The committee provides guidance to the Asian Regional Conference; India represented by the CBI (NCB)
<b>Pakistan to host SCO Summit 2027</b>	Year 2027	Pakistan	SCO Summit 2026 in Bishkek (Kyrgyzstan); SCO established in 2001, headquartered Beijing; India Chairs and Hosts in 2023; Member countries: 10

<b>M.S. Swaminathan Centenary International Conference</b>	7th August 2025	New Delhi, India	Inaugurated by PM Narendra Modi; Celebration of Birth Centenary of Prof. M.S. Swaminathan; Theme: The Evergreen Revolution – The Path to Biological Happiness; Honouring the contribution of the father of the Green Revolution
<b>Ramsar Convention COP-15</b>	23–31 July 2025	Victoria Falls, Zimbabwe	Organizers: Ramsar Secretariat; Theme: Conservation of Wetlands for Our Shared Future; The Indian delegation was led by Bhupender Yadav; COP-14 Wuhan (2022)
<b>First BIMSTEC Traditional Music Festival</b>	4th August 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	inaugurated by External Affairs Minister Dr S. Jaishankar; Organizer ICCR; participation of 7 BIMSTEC countries; Theme: "Saptasura: Seven Nations, One Raga"
<b>17th BRICS Summit</b>	6–7 July 2025	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil	PM Narendra Modi's participation; host President Lula da Silva; Theme: Strengthening Global South Cooperation; India to host BRICS Summit in 2026
<b>4th United Nations Conference on Financing for Development (FFD-4)</b>	June 30–July 3, 2025	Seville, Spain	India was represented by Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman; Focuses on mobilizing global resources for developing countries
<b>51st G7 Summit</b>	June 15–17, 2025	Kananaskis, Alberta (Canada)	Presidency: Canada; Participation of G7 member states and the European Union
<b>113th International Labour Conference (ILC)</b>	2–13 June 2025	Geneva, Switzerland	Organizers: International Labour Organization (ILO); India was represented by Union Labour Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya
<b>Third ITU-T Focus Group (FG-AINN) Meeting</b>	June 11–13, 2025	New Delhi, India	Focus on incorporating AI as a fundamental element in the telecom networks of the future; Organized by TEC and DoT; India to host ITU PP-30 (2030) and announce nominations to ITU Council (2027–31); M. Revathi nominated for the position of ITU Radio Communication Bureau Director— First Woman and Regional Candidate
<b>International Conference on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (ICDRI)</b>	June 6–7, 2025	Nice, France	Event in Europe for the first time; Theme: Building a Resilient Future for Coastal Regions; Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the nation through video conferencing. Emphasis on Disaster Resilient Infrastructure of Maritime and Island Areas
<b>Mediterranean Raisina Dialogue (First Edition)</b>	2025	Marseille, France	Joint Event by India-France; External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar from the Indian side
<b>3rd United Nations Ocean Conference (UNOC-3)</b>	June 9–13, 2025	Nice, France	co-hosts France and Costa Rica; Focused on ocean ecology conservation; Global Platform for the Implementation of SDG-14 (Life Below Water)

<b>Dushanbe Conference on Glacier Conservation</b>	May 27–31, 2025	Dushanbe, Tajikistan	Partnership: Minister of State Kirti Vardhan Singh; Objective: To highlight the impact of recession of glaciers and fresh water resources
<b>IATA Annual General Meeting (India Host)</b>	June 2, 2025	New Delhi, India	For the first time since 1983 in India; PM Narendra Modi's Vision on Aviation Policy, Connectivity and Global Cooperation at the inaugural session
<b>81st Annual Meeting of IATA and WATS</b>	1–3 June 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Event in India after 42 years; Objective: To make commercial air transport safe, economical and efficient
<b>NATO Summit</b>	June 24–25, 2025	The Hague, Netherlands	Chair: NATO Secretary General Mark Rutte; Agreed to increase defence spending to 5% of GDP by 2035; 2026 summit in Turkey
<b>22nd Shangri-La Dialogue</b>	30 May – 1 June 2025	Singapore	India represented by CDS Anil Chauhan; Participation in 'Future Warfare' and 'Defence Innovation Solutions' sessions
<b>India 6G 2025 – 3rd International Conference</b>	2025	New Delhi, India	Objective: To make India a global leader in 6G; Transition from a tech consumer to a standard-setting nation
<b>7th Quad Summit</b>	2025	India (Host)	Member Countries: India, USA, Japan, Australia; 6th Summit on 21st September 2024 in Delaware (USA)
<b>World Hydrogen Summit</b>	May 20–22, 2025	Rotterdam, Netherlands	India represented: Santosh Kumar Sarangi; Leading Global Promotion of Green Hydrogen Technology
<b>BRS CoPs सम्मेलन</b>	28th April – 9th May 2025	Geneva, Switzerland	Theme: Make the Invisible visible; Global Strategies on Chemical and Waste Management; Parties to the Basel-Rotterdam-Stockholm Conferences
<b>14वाँ GISEC Global</b>	May 6–8, 2025	Dubai World Trade Centre	Organized in collaboration with the UAE Cyber Security Council; Global Cybersecurity Forum; Theme: AI-enabled future security
<b>11वाँ Seatrade Maritime Logistics Middle East (SMLME)</b>	May 6–8, 2025	Dubai World Trade Centre	Organizer: Seatrade Maritime; Focus on Maritime Logistics and Trade
<b>12th Global Space Exploration Conference (GLEX)</b>	May 7–9, 2025	New Delhi, India	Organizer: IAF; Theme: Reaching the New World; Participation of Global Space Scientists and Policy-Makers
<b>United Nations Forest Forum (UNFF-20)</b>	May 5–9, 2025	New York, USA	Indian delegation led by: Sushil Kumar Awasthi; Discussion on Global Forest Management and Sustainability
<b>Sixth BIMSTEC Summit</b>	4 April 2025	Bangkok, Thailand	Theme: BIMSTEC: Enriched, Resilient and Open; Bangkok Vision 2030 approved; Next Presidency to Bangladesh; BIMSTEC Energy Centre (Bengaluru) and "Bodhi" HR Programme Announced
<b>Arab League Emergency Summit</b>	4th March 2025	Cairo, Egypt	Proposes \$53 billion plan to rebuild the Gaza Strip; Resolution in response to Donald Trump's plan to annex Gaza

<b>London Security Conference 2025 (European Security Conference)</b>	March 2, 2025	Lancaster House, London	Key leaders: Emmanuel Macron, Keir Starmer, Volodymyr Zelensky; Europe's security concerns and discussion on the draft Ukraine-Russia ceasefire; Participation of several European countries, NATO, the European Commission and the Council.
<b>Australia-India Forum for Sporting Excellence</b>	March 5-6, 2025	GIFT City, Gandhinagar (Gujarat)	inaugurated by Minister of State for Defense Khadse; Promoting Sports Collaboration and Excellence
<b>The 10th Raisina Dialogue</b>	17-19 March 2025	New Delhi	Chief Guests: New Zealand PM Christopher Luxon; organizers MEA and ORF; Theme: Kalachakra – People, Peace and Planet
<b>Mobile World Congress (MWC) 2025</b>	March 3-6, 2025	Barcelona, Spain	Participation of Union Minister of Communications Jyotiraditya Scindia; Organized by GSMA; Themes: Converge, Connect, Create; Focus on 5G, AI and Advanced Connectivity; India Mobile Congress 2025 & India Pavilion inaugurated
<b>Cities Coalition for Circularity (C-3)</b>	March 3, 2025	India	Launch of the C-3 Coalition for Sustainable Urban Development; City-to-City Cooperation, Knowledge-Sharing and Private Sector Partnership; Focus on resource efficiency and waste management; 12th Asia-Pacific 3R Forum in Jaipur
<b>Singapore Maritime Week</b>	24-28 March 2025	Singapore	Participation of India, Singapore, France, Netherlands, Norway etc.; India was represented by Minister Sarbananda Sonowal; Emphasis on resilient and resilient marine ecosystems
<b>14th ADMM-Plus Counter-Terrorism Meeting</b>	19-20 March 2025	New Delhi	Co-Chairing of India-Malaysia; India co-chair of the Counter-Terrorism EWG for the first time; Focus on Defence Cooperation and Experience Sharing
<b>World Sustainable Development Summit (WSDS) 2025</b>	2025	New Delhi	Organized by TERI; Inaugural address by Bhupender Yadav; Theme: Partnerships for Accelerating Sustainable Development and Climate Solutions
<b>UN-CBD COP-16 (Biological Diversity Conference)</b>	25-27 February 2025	Rome, Italy	COP-16 expansion starting in Cali (2024); Kunming-Montreal discussing the GBF's financial mechanisms; 'Cali Fund' launched
<b>8th Indian Ocean Conference</b>	16-17 February 2025	Muscat, Oman	Organized by India Foundation and Ministry of Foreign Affairs in Oman; Theme: New Horizons of Maritime Partnership
<b>Fourth India-EU Urban Forum</b>	13 February 2025	New Delhi	Focus on strengthening India-EU cooperation; Discussion on Sustainable Urban Development
<b>First General Assembly of IALA</b>	18-21 February 2025	Singapore	India elected as Vice President of IALA; The Indian delegation was led by T.K. Ramachandran
<b>4th No Money for Terror (NMFT) Conference</b>	13 February 2025	Germany	India's participation; Stresses on Global Unity Against Terrorism; Reiterates

			proposal to set up a permanent NMFT Secretariat in New Delhi
<b>61st Munich Security Conference</b>	14–16 February 2025	Munich, Germany	the premier forum on global security; External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar from the Indian side
<b>PRAKRITI 2025 – International Conference on Carbon Market</b>	2025	India	The full form of 'PRAKRITI': Promoting Resilience, Awareness, Knowledge, and Resources for Integrating Transformational Initiatives; Hindi Meaning: To promote empowerment, awareness, knowledge and resources for transformational initiatives; Organised by the Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Ministry of Power; Focus on Carbon Market and Climate Action
<b>UN Women Peacekeepers Conference</b>	24–25 February 2025	New Delhi, India	First Conference of the United Nations for Women Peacekeepers; Participation of 35 countries; Organizers: Ministry of External Affairs, Ministry of Defence and CUNPK (Indian Army); Theme: "Women in Peacekeeping: A Global South Perspective"; India is the second largest contributor to UN peacekeeping operations
<b>14th Asian Fisheries and Aquaculture Forum (AFAF)</b>	2025	New Delhi, India	Hosted by India for the second time; Organized by AFS in collaboration with ICAR, Department of Fisheries (Government of India) and AFSIB; Theme: "Greening the Blue Growth in Asia-Pacific"; Focus on Sustainable Fisheries and Blue Economy
<b>India-Pacific Islands Cooperation Forum (FIPIC) Meeting</b>	2025 (during UNGA-80 )	New York, USA	External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar chairs meeting of Foreign Ministers of FIPIC countries; Areas of cooperation: Health, Technology, Training and Capacity Building; FIPIC was launched during PM Modi's visit to Fiji in 2014; Objective to strengthen relations between India and 14 Pacific Island countries

## Membership in various organizations/institutions in India

Organization/ institution	India's Role	tenure of office	Key facts
<b>UNESCO Executive Board</b>	Re-elected Members	2025–2029	One of the 3 constitutional organs of UNESCO; a rotating group of 58 member countries; Program and budget approval, monitoring implementation and preparation of General Assembly agenda
<b>International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) Council</b>	Re-elected Members	New term (2025)	the specialized agency of the United Nations; Founded 1944 (Chicago Convention); Headquarters Montreal; 193 members; India Founding Signatory
<b>Kimberley Process</b>	Chairman (upcoming) & Vice-President	Chairperson: From January 1, 2026	This will be the third time India will become the President; Tripartite Initiative to Prevent Illicit Trade in Rough Diamonds; KPCS has been in force since 2003; 60 Partners

<b>Codex Alimentarius Commission – CCEXEC</b>	Re-elected to the Executive Committee (Asia Representative)	By 2027	Selection in the 48th Session; The Indian delegation was led by FSSAI CEO Rajit Punhani; Technologies like AI support increasing the efficiency of codex processes
<b>United Nations Human Rights Council (UNHRC)</b>	Re-elected unopposed (7th time)	2026–2028	India has completed 6 terms so far; Most of the time members after the formation of the Council from 2006; Other new members: UK, Italy, Pakistan, South Africa etc
<b>ICAO Council (Part-II)</b>	Re-elected Members	2025	Countries making significant contributions to global air navigation in Part-II; elections to the 42nd ICAO Assembly (Montreal); Founding Member since 1944
<b>UN-GGIM-AP (Asia-Pacific)</b>	Co-Chair of the Regional Committee	2025–2028	Meeting: Goyang-si (South Korea); Boost economic, social and environmental development through the use of geospatial data
<b>Asia-Pacific Institute for Broadcasting Development (AIBD)</b>	Chairman of the Executive Board	2025	23rd AIBD Meeting (Phuket, Thailand); India Founding Member; Representative: Prasar Bharati; 92 organization members from 45 countries
<b>United Nations Economic and Social Council (ECOSOC)</b>	Elected Members	2026–2028	Elections by the UNGA on 4 June 2025; 181 out of 189 votes; Elections from the Asia-Pacific Group
<b>International Institute of Administrative Sciences (IIAS)</b>	Chairman of the Council of Administration	2025–2028	V. Srinivas elected; 87 votes vs. Austria 54; IIAS General Assembly (10–14 February 2025) to be hosted in New Delhi
<b>Asian Productivity Organization (APO)</b>	head	2025–26	Handed over the presidency at the 67th Governing Body Meeting (20–22 May 2025, Jakarta); the governing body APO's highest decision-making body; India represented by DPIIT; Amardeep Singh Bhatia appointed President of India at APO; APO was established in 1961 as an intergovernmental organization
<b>ISAR (UNCTAD)</b>	member	2025–2027	ISAR = International Standards of Accounting and Reporting Working Group of the UN; operated under UNCTAD; Objective: Promote global accounting standards, financial stability and investment transparency.
<b>Combined Maritime Forces (CMF)</b>	Member States	modern	Multilateral Maritime Partnership; Focus on smuggling, illicit drug activities, piracy and maritime security; command to Vice Admiral of the U.S. Navy; A total of 46 member states; New Zealand welcomes India's participation
<b>Eurodrone Program</b>	Observer nations	2025	Announcement by OCCAR; the MALE RPAS (Medium Altitude Long Endurance Drone) program; India is the second Asia-Pacific observer country after Japan; Four-country initiative—Germany, France, Italy, Spain
<b>UN-CEBD (United Nations)</b>	member	modern	UN Committee of Experts on Big Data and Data Science for Official Statistics; India's participation in developing global standards

			for Big Data and Data Science in Official Statistics; Formed in 2014 under the auspices of the UNSC; 31 Member States and 16 International Organizations
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## Miscellaneous

Country/Institution/Topic	Reason to be in the news
<b>16 new Global Geoparks announced</b>	UNESCO announced 16 new global geoparks on 17 April 2025; 229 Geoparks in 50 countries; Network ~8,55,000 sq km (equivalent to the size of Namibia); Located in Asia, Europe, Africa and Latin America
<b>Discovery of the "Davis Strait Proto-Microcontinent"</b>	Claims of discovery of "Davis Strait proto-microcontinent" by scientists from Sweden and Canada in Greenland-Canada (Davis Strait); associated with the Pangea disintegration in the Mesozoic era; ~19 km thick, submerged microcontinent
<b>Discovery of Europe's Oldest Human Habitat</b>	the remains of a 6,000–8,000-year-old human settlement beneath Lake Ohrid in Albania; Believed to be the oldest human habitation in Europe; Wooden pillars, human remains and copper objects were found
<b>Sergio Gore</b>	Sergio Gore named the next U.S. ambassador to India and special envoy for South-Central Asia; The position was vacant after the resignation of Eric Garcetti
<b>Bhupender Yadav</b>	Union Minister Bhupender Yadav appointed <b>President of International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA)</b> (16 June 2025); S.P. Yadav Director General;
<b>'International Year of Women Farmer'</b>	The United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) declared the year 2026 as the 'International Year of Women Farmers'; Emphasizes the role of women farmers in global food security and gender equality
<b>Saudi Arabia declared major non-NATO</b>	U.S. declares Saudi Arabia a Major Non-NATO Ally (MNNA); Strategic Agreement on Defence, AI, Civil Nuclear and Critical Minerals
<b>NVIDIA</b>	The first company in the world to cross the market cap of \$5 trillion+; Microsoft and Apple are in second and third place respectively.
<b>Palau</b>	the world's first live underwater interview; Objective: Global focus on ocean conservation and climate change; President Surangel Whipps Jr.
<b>Albania (AI Governance)</b>	World's first AI minister 'Diella' appointed; AI-based management of public tenders; Focus on transparency and anti-corruption
<b>E-Scholarships to Afghan Students</b>	1,000 e-Scholarships announced for the academic year 2025–26; Under ICCR's Special Scholarship Scheme (SSSAN)
<b>BLA and Majeed Brigade declared Foreign Terrorist Organizations (FTO )</b>	The United States declared the Balochistan Liberation Army (BLA) and the Majeed Brigade as Foreign Terrorist Organizations (FTOs) on August 11, 2025.
<b>India certified trachoma-free</b>	WHO certifies India as trachoma-free (as a public health problem); Certificate 78th WHA, Geneva (20 May 2025)
<b>'Starbase' city</b>	Boca Chica, Texas, declares new city 'Starbase'; SpaceX's Starship launch site; Infrastructure Management by Company
<b>Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT)</b>	Announcement of opening of first international campus in Dubai; Globalization of Indian Higher Education under NEP-2020
<b>Indian Institute of Management Ahmedabad</b>	The first global campus opens in Dubai on 11 September 2025; Boost to India-UAE Education Partnership
<b>University of Liverpool</b>	The second British university to set up a campus in India; LoI under the UGC-2023 Regulations; Location: Bengaluru

<b>Sierra Leone</b>	India provides \$9,90,000 support for the empowerment of persons with disabilities; India-UN Development Partnership Fund; In collaboration with UNDP
<b>Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Public Service and Innovation</b>	<b>Atal Bihari Vajpayee Institute of Public Service and Innovation</b> inaugurated in Mauritius
<b>'Commonwealth Sport'</b>	Commonwealth Games Federation renamed 'Commonwealth Sport'; legal name as it is; Launch of the King's Baton Relay for the 2026 Glasgow Games

## PM Modi gets 29 highest honours

No. No.	country	Foreign honors	a year
1	Oman	'Order of Oman'	2025
2	Ethiopia	'The Great Honour Mark of Ethiopia'	2025
3	Namibia	Order of the Most Ancient Velvitsia Mirabilis	2025
4	Brazil	Grand Collar of the National Order of the Southern Cross	2025
5	Trinidad and Tobago	Order of the Republic of Trinidad and Tobago	2025
6	Ghana	Officer of the Order of the Star of Ghana	2025
7	Cyprus	Grand Cross of the Order of Makarios III	2025
8	Sri Lanka	Sri Lanka Mitra Vibhushan	2025
9	Mauritius	Grand Commander of the Order of the Star and Key of the Indian Ocean	2025
10	Barbados	Honorary Order of Freedom	2025
11	Kuwait	Order of Mubarak Al-Kabir	2024
12	Commonwealth of Dominica	Dominica Award of Honor	2024
13	Guyana	Order of Excellence	2024
14	Nigeria	Grand Commander of the Order of the Niger	2024
15	Russia	Order of St. Andrew the Apostle (proclaimed in 2019)	2024
16	grease	Grand Cross of the Order of Honour	2023
17	France	Grand Cross of the Legion of Honor	2023
18	Egypt	Order of the Nile	2023
19	Fiji	Order of Fiji	2023
20	Papua New Guinea	Order of Logohu	2023
21	Bhutan	Order of the Dragon King	2021
22	USA	Legion of Merit	2020
23	Bahrain	King Hamad Order of the Renaissance	2019
24	Maldives	Order of the Distinguished Rule of Izzuddin	2019
25	United Arab Emirates (UAE)	Order of Zayed	2019
26	United Nation	UN Champion of the Earth Award	2018
27	Palestine	Grand Caller of the State of Palestine	2018
28	Saudi Arabia	Order of King Abdulaziz	2016
29	Afghanistan	State Order of Ghazi Amir Amanullah Khan	2016

## 7. Economy

### Schemes

Schemes/Initiatives	Key Points
<b>National Frequency Allocation Plan 2025 (NFAP-2025)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Applicable: 30 December 2025</li> <li>• Spectrum range: 8.3 kHz to 3000 GHz.</li> <li>• Additional mid-band spectrum for 5G, 5G-Advanced and future 6G.</li> <li>• Support for satellite services, in-flight and maritime connectivity.</li> </ul>
<b>Knowledge Bharatam Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective: Survey, conservation and digitization of ancient manuscripts.</li> <li>• Announcement: Union Budget 2025-26.</li> <li>• Implementation: Ministry of Culture.</li> <li>• Preservation of 10 million+ manuscripts and National Digital Repository.</li> </ul>
<b>Metallic Rare Soil Permanent Magnet Construction Scheme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acceptance: 27 December 2025.</li> <li>• Outlay: ₹7,280 crore.</li> <li>• Capacity: 6,000 MTPA (maximum 5 beneficiaries, 1,200 MTPA each).</li> <li>• Incentives: ₹6,450 crore (5 years, sales-based).</li> <li>• Capital Subsidy: ₹750 crore.</li> <li>• Duration: 7 years (2 years establishment + 5 years incentive).</li> </ul>
<b>PM Fasal Bima Yojana – New Coverage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Involve localized risk of wild animal attack.</li> <li>• Paddy inundation (floods) again involved in local disasters.</li> <li>• States will have to notify animal inventory and sensitive areas.</li> <li>• Farmers will upload information and geotag photos within 72 hours.</li> <li>• Applicable: From Kharif 2026 .</li> </ul>
<b>Research, Development and Innovation Plan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 3 November 2025.</li> <li>• Research Fund: ₹1 lakh crore.</li> <li>• Operations: National Research Foundation (ANRF).</li> <li>• Capital available through AIFs/DFIs/NBFCs.</li> <li>• Focus on high-risk, high-impact projects.</li> <li>• Implementation: Under the ANRF, a board headed by the PM.</li> <li>• Structure: Tier-1 (Special Purpose Fund), Tier-2 (Fund Manager → Companies/Startups).</li> </ul>
<b>Research Fund and DeepTech Innovation Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Startup Fund of Funds (Second Edition) – For deeptech startups.</li> <li>• ₹1 lakh crore 'Research Fund' – Investment in transformative technologies.</li> <li>• Goal: Technological self-reliance and strengthening the deeptech ecosystem.</li> </ul>
<b>Credit Guarantee Scheme for Exporters (CGSE)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabinet approval.</li> <li>• Exporters/ Liquidity and financial support to MSMEs.</li> <li>• 100% credit guarantee by NCGTC .</li> <li>- Additional non-collateral-free credit up to ₹20,000 crore.</li> <li>• Support the \$1 trillion export target.</li> </ul>
<b>Export Promotion Mission (EPM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Budget: ₹25,060 crore.</li> <li>• Period: 2025-26 to 2030-31</li> <li>• Digital, results-based export framework.</li> <li>• Address trade finance, compliance costs and branding challenges.</li> <li>• Focus Areas: Textiles, Leather, Gems and Jewellery, Engineering, Marine Products.</li> </ul>
<b>Pradhan Mantri Dhan Dhan Krishi Yojana</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched: 11 October 2025, by Narendra Modi in New Delhi.</li> <li>Duration: 6 years from 2025–26.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Coverage: 100 districts of the country (low productivity/credit/crop intensity).</li> <li>• Objectives: Productivity Enhancement, Crop Diversification, Irrigation, Storage, Credit Facility.</li> <li>• Farmers will get better irrigation, easy credit and modern storage facilities.</li> <li>• Convergence of 36 schemes of 11 departments; Monitoring from a digital dashboard.</li> </ul>
<b>Self-Reliance: Mission in Pulses 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acceptance: 1 October 2025; Period: 2025-26 to 2030-31</li> <li>• Budget: ₹11,440 crore.</li> <li>• Target: Pulses production 350 lakh tonnes; Reducing import dependence.</li> <li>• Beneficiaries: ~2 crore farmers.</li> <li>• 100% purchase (tur, urad, lentil) under PSP; MSP protection.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Targets (2030-31)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area: 310 lakh hectares.</li> <li>• Average yield: 1,130 kg/ha.</li> <li>• Total production: 350 lakh tonnes.</li> </ul>
<b>Adarsh Yuva Gram Sabha (MYGS) Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 30 October 2025, New Delhi.</li> <li>• Ministry: Panchayati Raj, Education, Tribal Affairs.</li> <li>• Launch of MYGS portal and training modules.</li> <li>• Applicable to 1,000+ schools; Democratic participation and leadership development among the youth.</li> </ul>
<b>Electronics Manufacturing Components Scheme (ECMS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approvals: ₹5,532 crore; 7 projects in Phase-1.</li> <li>• Location: Tamil Nadu (5), Andhra Pradesh (1), Madhya Pradesh (1).</li> <li>• Objectives: Domestic manufacturing, increasing DVA, linkage with GVCs.</li> <li>• Products: Multi-layer/HDI PCB, camera module, CCL (first time in India), etc.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Features</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Meeting 20% domestic demand of PCBs and 15% of camera modules .</li> <li>• 100% domestic demand fulfillment of CCL .</li> <li>• 60% Excess Production Export.</li> <li>• Reduction in import dependence and prices; High-skill employment.</li> </ul>
<b>PM-SETU (Prime Minister's Transformation of Skills and Employment) Scheme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 4 October 2025.</li> <li>• Cost: ₹60,000 crore; upgradation of 1,000 ITIs.</li> <li>• 5 National Skill Institutes Global Centre of Excellence.</li> <li>• Hub-and-spoke models: 200 hubs, 800 spokes.</li> </ul> <p><b>Key Provisions</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incubation hubs, production units, placement cells, trainer training.</li> <li>• Long/short courses in industry collaboration.</li> <li>• 15 Hub-and-Spoke Clusters identified (across the country).</li> <li>• Virtual inauguration of 1,200 Vocational Skills Labs (400 Navodaya + 200 Eklavya).</li> </ul>
<b>Biomedical Research Career Program (BRCP) – Phase III</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval: 1 October 2025, Union Cabinet.</li> <li>• Expansion of India Alliance initiatives; Collaboration: DBT (India) and Wellcome Trust (UK).</li> <li>• Period: 2025–26 to 2030–31 (fellowships/grants until 2037–38).</li> <li>• Total cost: ₹1,500 crore (DBT ₹1,000 crore; WT ₹500 crore).</li> <li>• Objective: To strengthen high-level biomedical research, interdisciplinary research and research system.</li> </ul>

<p><b>'Vishwas Yojana' (EPF Reform Scheme)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 14 October 2025; Union Labour Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya.</li> <li>• Objective: To reduce litigation by rationalizing penalties under Section 14B of the EPF Act.</li> <li>• Duration: 6 months (6 months extension possible).</li> <li>• Cover pending/ordered but unpaid cases.</li> </ul>
<p><b>PM Mitra Park – Dhar (Madhya Pradesh)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The country's first and largest PM MITRA Park; Stone Laying Stone: Dhar District.</li> <li>• Objective: Integrated development of textile value chain (spinning to garment and export).</li> <li>• Facilities: Spinning, weaving, processing, designing, garment production.</li> </ul> <p><b>PM Mega Integrated Textile Region and Apparel</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Announcement: October 2021; Period: 2021–22 to 2027–28</li> <li>• Nodal Ministry: Ministry of Textiles; Budget: ₹4,445 crore.</li> <li>• 5F विज़न: Farm–Fibre–Factory–Fashion–Foreign</li> <li>• Parks in 7 states; SPV model (state 51%, center 49%).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Capacity Building and Human Resource Development (CBHRD) Scheme</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acceptance: 24 September 2025; DSIR &amp; CSIR</li> <li>• Allocation: ₹2,277.397 crore (2021–22 to 2025–26)</li> <li>• Objective: To empower young scientists, excel in STEM fields, and a world-class R&amp;D workforce.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Critical Minerals Recycling Scheme</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval: Union Cabinet, ₹1,500 crore.</li> <li>• Period: 2025–26 to 2030–31 (6 years).</li> <li>• Objective: Recovery of critical minerals from e-waste, old batteries, scrap and catalytic converters.</li> <li>• Part of the NCMM; Reducing import dependence.</li> <li>• Eligible: large companies, start-ups, new recyclers (only real mineral extraction; Black mass processing out).</li> <li>• Subsidy up to 20% on CAPEC; Decreasing subsidies on late production.</li> <li>• Distribution: 40% (2nd year), 60% (fifth year).</li> <li>• Maximum Incentive: Large Unit ₹50 Crore (OPEX ₹10 Crore), Small Unit ₹25 Crore (OPEX ₹5 Crore).</li> </ul>
<p><b>'BHARATI' Initiative</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Initiated by APEDA; Boost to agri-food exports.</li> <li>• Goal: To empower 100 agri-food/agri-tech start-ups.</li> <li>• \$50 billion agri-food export target by 2030.</li> <li>• 3-Mahi Accelerator (from September 2025).</li> <li>• Focus: AI Quality Control, Blockchain Traceability, IoT Cold-Chain, Agri-Fintech, Packaging.</li> </ul>
<p><b>'Niveshak Didi' – Phase II</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 1 September 2025, by IEPFA.</li> <li>• Objective: Women-led financial literacy in rural India.</li> <li>• Focus: Secure investment, digital banking, fraud prevention.</li> <li>• In line with Women-led development and Digital India.</li> </ul>
<p><b>4 New Semiconductor Projects (Under ISM)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approvals: Union Cabinet; Investment ~₹4,600 crore.</li> <li>• Direct employment: ~2,034.</li> <li>• Total sanctioned projects under ISM: 10 (₹1.60 lakh crore, 6 states).</li> </ul> <p><b>2 Semiconductor Project – Odisha (Bhubaneswar)</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. SiCSem + Clas-SiC (UK): The country's first commercial compound semiconductor fab.</li> <li>2. 3D Glass Solutions: Advanced Packaging/Glass Substrate (3DHI Module).</li> </ol> <p><b>3. Semiconductor Project – Andhra Pradesh</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ASIP + AACT (South Korea).</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annual Capacity: ~9.6 crore units.</li> <li><b>4. Semiconductor Project – Punjab (Mohali)</b></li> <li>• Expansion by Continental Device India Ltd. (CDIL).</li> <li>• High-power semiconductor device manufacturing.</li> </ul>
<b>Adi Karmayogi Abhiyan: Responsible Governance Programme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 19th August 2025, Ministry of Tribal Affairs.</li> <li>• World's largest tribal leadership programme.</li> <li>• Objectives: Tribal empowerment, citizen-centric governance, local leadership.</li> <li>• Adi Seva Kendra, 'Adi Seva Tiam', Governance Laboratories.</li> <li>• 1 lakh+ tribal villages, 30 states/UTs, 550 districts, 20 lakh volunteers.</li> <li>• Associated with Dharti Aba Abhiyan, PM Janman, Sickle Cell Mission.</li> </ul>
<b>Pradhan Mantri e-Drive Scheme (Extension of Period)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Duration: Extended until March 2028.</li> <li>• Start: 1 October 2024, Budget: ₹10,900 crore.</li> <li>• Objective: Promote electric mobility.</li> <li>• Lakshya (2028): 24.79 lakh e-two-wheelers, 3.16 lakh three-wheelers, 14,028 buses/trucks, 88,500 charging points.</li> <li>• Phased reduction of subsidies; Two/3 wheeler subsidy to end after 31st March 2026.</li> </ul>
<b>Central Sector Scheme for Cooperative Sector (NCDC Assistance)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acceptance: 31 July 2025</li> <li>• Grants: ₹2,000 crore (₹500 crore/year).</li> <li>• Period: 2025–26 to 2028–29.</li> <li>• An additional ₹20,000 crore will be raised by NCDC from the market.</li> <li>• Objective: Loans and financial assistance to cooperatives.</li> </ul>
<b>Employment Linked Incentive (ELI) Scheme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval: 1 July 2025, Cabinet.</li> <li>• Budget: ₹99,446 crore.</li> <li>• Target: 35 million jobs between 1 August 2025–31 July 2027.</li> <li>• Part A: ₹15,000 (in two instalments) to employees joining EPFO for the first time, income limit ₹1 lakh/year, ~1.92 crore beneficiaries.</li> <li>• Part B: ₹1,000–₹3,000 per employee/month (2 years; 4 years in manufacturing), ~2.60 crore jobs.</li> </ul>
<b>India's First Electric Truck Incentive Scheme (PM E-DRIVE)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 12 July 2025.</li> <li>• Budget: ₹100 crore.</li> <li>• Target: 5,600 e-trucks (1,100 in Delhi).</li> <li>• Categories: N2 (3.5–12 tons), N3 (12–55 tons).</li> <li>• Subsidy: Maximum ₹9.6 lakh per truck (upfront).</li> <li>• Focus: Cement, Steel, Ports, Logistics; 2070 Net-Zero Target.</li> </ul>
<b>ADEETIE Scheme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Full Form: Assistance for Deployment of Energy Efficient Technologies in Industry Establishments</li> <li>• Launch: ₹1,000 crore.</li> <li>• Period: 2025-26 to 2027-28</li> <li>• Implementation: Ministry of Power, BEE</li> <li>• Goal: Reduce the energy consumption of MSMEs by 30–50%.</li> <li>• Interest subvention: Micro/Small – 5%, Medium – 3%.</li> </ul>
<b>SPRREE 2025 Plan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Restarted by ESIC: 1st July 2025.</li> <li>• Duration: 1 July–31 December 2025</li> <li>• Objective: Expansion of social security coverage under the ESI Act.</li> <li>• Voluntary registration without inspection/penalty.</li> <li>• Online Registration: ESIC &amp; Shram Suvidha Portal.</li> </ul>
<b>Dharti Aaba Janbhagidari Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 15 June 2025, Ministry of Tribal Affairs.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The country's most comprehensive tribal benefit-saturation campaign.</li> <li>• Coverage: 549 districts, 207 PVTG districts, 2,900+ blocks, 1 lakh villages.</li> <li>• Duration: 15–30 June 2025 (Tribal Pride Year).</li> <li>• Services: Aadhaar, Ayushman, Jan Dhan, PM-Kisan, Pension, Scholarship, Skills, Livelihood.</li> </ul>
<b>Revised Interest Subvention Scheme ( Extended to FY 2025–26)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Decision: 28 May 2025, Union Cabinet.</li> <li>• Objective: Short-term crop loans to farmers and affordable interest rates for allied agricultural activities.</li> <li>• Validity: Extension till FY 2025–26.</li> <li>• Crop Loans: Up to ₹3 lakh.</li> <li>• Ancillary Activities: Up to ₹2 lakh for Animal Husbandry, Bee, Fisheries .</li> <li>• Interest Rate: 7% p.a.</li> <li>• Additional 3% interest subvention on on-time payments .</li> <li>• Beneficiaries: Aadhaar seeded farmer loan accounts.</li> </ul>
<b>Cashless Treatment Scheme for Road Accident Victims, 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Implemented: 5 May 2025</li> <li>• Benefits: Cashless treatment up to ₹1.5 lakh.</li> <li>• Duration: The first 7 days after the accident .</li> <li>• Eligibility: A person injured in a vehicle accident on any road in India.</li> <li>• Nodal Agency: National Health Authority (NHA).</li> <li>• Associates: Police, designated hospitals, SHA, Department of Transportation.</li> </ul>
<b>National Mission for Critical Minerals (NCMM) – 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective: To ensure mineral supply for sectors such as EVs, batteries, solar, wind.</li> <li>• Nodal: Geological Survey of India (GSI), Ministry of Mines.</li> <li>• Goal: Increase domestic exploration and production, reduce import dependence.</li> <li>• 30 Critical Minerals Identified (2022 Committee).</li> <li>• 24 minerals included in MMDR Act Schedule-I Part-D.</li> <li>• Expenditure: ₹16,300 crore; Expected PSU Investment: ₹18,000 crore.</li> <li>• Coverage: The entire value chain from exploration to the final product.</li> </ul>
<b>India's Green Hydrogen Certification Scheme (GHCI) – 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 29th April 2025, New Delhi.</li> <li>• Ministry: Ministry of New and Renewable Energy (MNRE).</li> <li>• Nodal Agency: Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE).</li> <li>• Objective: Certification framework for green hydrogen production.</li> <li>• Features: Transparency, source verification, market reliability.</li> <li>• Support: National Green Hydrogen Mission.</li> </ul>
<b>National Zero Measles-Rubella Eradication Campaign (2025-26)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 24 April 2025</li> <li>• Goal: To make India measles-rubella-free by 2026.</li> <li>• Vaccination: 2 free doses to children aged 9-12 months and 16-24 months .</li> <li>• Achievement: 332 districts with zero cases of measles and 487 districts with zero cases of rubella (Jan-Mar 2025)</li> <li>• "Measles-Rubella Champion Award" to the Ministry of Health in 2024.</li> </ul>
<b>Vibrant Villages Programme-II</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Acceptance: 4 April 2025</li> <li>• Period: 2024-25 to 2028-29.</li> <li>• Budget: ₹6,839 crore.</li> <li>• 100% Centrally Funded, Implemented by Ministry of Home Affairs.</li> <li>- 17 States/UTs covered.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supplementary Scheme to Vibrant Villages Programme-I (2023).</li> </ul>
<b>Sashakt Panchayat-Netri Abhiyan</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched: 4 March 2025.</li> <li>• Ministry: Ministry of Panchayati Raj.</li> <li>• Objective: To strengthen women's leadership and decision-making capacity in Panchayats.</li> <li>• Topics: Local Governance, Leadership, Women's Rights.</li> <li>• Participation: 1,200+ women panchayat representatives.</li> </ul>
<b>India's Nuclear Mission for Clean Energy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Target: 100 GW of nuclear power (~10% of total energy) by 2047.</li> <li>• Access to nuclear energy for the first time to the private sector.</li> <li>• Key components: Small modular reactors (SMRs) – 16 to 300 MW.</li> <li>• Budget 2024-25: ₹20,000 crore for 'Bharat SMR'.</li> <li>• Initial stage: at least 5 SMR installations.</li> <li>• India has 21% of the world's thorium reserves.</li> <li>• Helpful in the 2070 Net-Zero target.</li> </ul>
<b>Pradhan Mantri Young Writers Mentorship Scheme (PM-YUVA 3.0)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 11 March 2025</li> <li>• Ministry: Ministry of Education (Department of Higher Education).</li> <li>• Objective: To train young writers under the age of 30.</li> <li>• Focus: Promote book culture and reading.</li> <li>• Implementation: National Book Trust (NBT).</li> <li>• Previous versions include 22 Indian languages + English.</li> </ul>
<b>Revamped Rashtriya Gokul Mission (RGM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabinet approval: 19 March 2025</li> <li>• Central Sector Scheme; For the development of livestock sector.</li> <li>• Outlay: ₹3,400 crore (15th Finance Commission; ₹1,000 crore extra).</li> <li>• New activities: 30 heifer rearing centers (15,000 calves), 35% subsidy on capital costs; 3% interest subsidy on purchase of HGM-IVF heifers.</li> <li>• Continuous activities: AI network expansion, semen center, gender-specific semen, skill development, center of excellence.</li> <li>• Achievements: milk production +63.55%; milk per person 307→471 g/day; Animal productivity +26.34%.</li> </ul>
<b>Revised National Programme for Dairy Development (NPDD)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cabinet approval: 19 March 2025</li> <li>• Objective: Modernization of dairy infrastructure; Collection-Processing-Quality Control Reinforcement.</li> <li>• Total Budget: ₹2,790 crore (₹1,000 crore extra).</li> <li>• Period: 2021-22 to 2025-26 (15th Finance Commission).</li> </ul>
<b>Revised Livestock Health and Disease Control Programme (LH&amp;DCP)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Objective: Animal health improvement, disease control and expansion of medical services.</li> <li>• Components: NADCP, LH&amp;DC, new 'Veterinary Medicine' component.</li> <li>• Sub-components: CADCP, ESVHD-MVU, ASCAD.</li> <li>• Veterinary Medicine: ₹75 crore for affordable generic medicines.</li> <li>• Total Budget: ₹3,880 crore (2024-25 and 2025-26).</li> <li>• Targeted diseases: FMD, brucellosis, PPR, CSF, Lumpy skin disease.</li> </ul>
<b>Self-Reliant Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched: By the Ministry of Skill Development and Entrepreneurship, in collaboration with NITI Aayog.</li> <li>• Target Group: Female Girl Students (Higher Educational Institutions of Eastern India in the first phase).</li> <li>• Programme: 2-day awareness for 600 girl students; 40-hour entrepreneurship training for 300 selected girl students.</li> <li>• Goal: Successful enterprise establishment by ≥10% of participants.</li> </ul>
<b>Model Women-Friendly Gram Panchayat (MWFGP) Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry: Ministry of Panchayati Raj.</li> <li>• Objective: To make Gram Panchayats safe, inclusive and equitable for women/girls.</li> <li>• Target: At least 1 women-friendly Gram Panchayat in each district.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Activities: Training, Progress Dashboard, Best Practices, Mahila Gram Sabhas (8 March 2025)</li> </ul>
<b>'One Nation, One Port' Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched: 27 February 2025</li> <li>• Ministry: Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways.</li> <li>• Objective: Standardization of procedures in major ports, modernization of maritime infrastructure.</li> </ul>
<b>NAKSHA Program</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched: 18 February 2025, Raisen (Sanchi), Madhya Pradesh.</li> <li>• Implementation: Department of Land Resources, Ministry of Rural Development.</li> <li>• Objective: Modernization of urban land survey, digitization of land records, accurate documentation of ownership, reduction in disputes.</li> <li>• Pilot: 152 Urban Local Bodies across 26 States and 3 Union Territories .</li> <li>• Digital maps by drone survey; Digital asset records to citizens.</li> </ul>
<b>Mutual Credit Guarantee Scheme for MSMEs (MCGS-MSME)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 17 February 2025, Mumbai.</li> <li>• Term loans up to ₹100 crore to MSMEs.</li> <li>• Guarantee: 60% by NCGTC.</li> <li>• Trust: MCGF-MSME ( formed by DFS).</li> <li>• Eligibility: Valid enterprise registration, no NPA, ≥75% of the project cost machinery/equipment.</li> <li>• Tenure: 4 years or up to ₹7 lakh crore guaranteed.</li> <li>• Objective: Access to credit for machinery/equipment/plant.</li> <li>• Repayment: 8 years, 2 years moratorium up to ₹50 crore; Flexible framework for large loans.</li> </ul>
<b>Pradhan Mantri Annadata Aay SanrakshAn Abhiyan (PM-AASHA)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Expansion: Up to 2025-26.</li> <li>• Beginning: 2018.</li> <li>• Ministry: Agriculture &amp; Farmers Welfare.</li> <li>• Objective: Price assurance, reduction of price fluctuations.</li> <li>• Coverage: Pulses, oilseeds, copra.</li> <li>• Budget 2025: 100% procurement of tur, urad, masoor for the next 4 years.</li> </ul>
<b>One Nation, One Subscription Scheme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Start: 1 January 2025</li> <li>• Objective: Seamless access to research papers/journals with a single subscription.</li> <li>• Beneficiaries: 1.8 crore+ students/researchers of government-funded HEIs .</li> <li>• Phase-1: 13,400+ International Journals.</li> <li>• Budget: ₹6,000 crore (3 years).</li> </ul>
<b>TEAM (Trade Enablement and Marketing) पहल</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry: MSME.</li> <li>• Objective: To connect 5 lakh MSMEs with ONDC.</li> <li>• Budget: ₹277.35 crore (3 years).</li> <li>• Focus: Digital commerce adoption, increasing market reach.</li> <li>• Sub-scheme under RAMP programme; Emphasis on Tier-2/3 and women-owned MSMEs.</li> </ul>
<b>Diamond Impress Authorization (DIA) Scheme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Effective: April 1, 2025.</li> <li>• Duty-free import of &lt;1/4 carat natural cut-polished diamonds.</li> <li>• Objective: Value addition and export enhancement.</li> <li>• Export Obligation: 10% Value Addition.</li> <li>• Eligibility: 2-Star+ Export House or ≥\$15 million annual export.</li> </ul>
<b>Panchayat to Parliament 2.0 Programme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Opening: 6 January 2025, New Delhi; Lok Sabha Speaker Om Birla.</li> <li>• Objective: Training of 500+ women Panchayat representatives on Constitution and Parliamentary procedures.</li> <li>• Participants: 502 ST women representatives from 22 states/UTs.</li> <li>• Organizers: PRIDE (Lok Sabha Secretariat), in collaboration with NCW and Ministry of Tribal Affairs.</li> </ul>

<b>Mission Mausam</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 14 January 2025 (IMD 's 150th Foundation Day).</li> <li>• Objective: To make India a climate-ready and climate-smart nation.</li> <li>• Components: High-resolution observation, radar, satellite, HPC.</li> <li>• Focus: Weather-climate understanding and air quality data.</li> <li>• Implementation: IMD, IITM, NCMRWF</li> <li>• Benefits: Agriculture, Disaster Management, Defense, Aviation, Water, Energy, Tourism etc.</li> </ul>
<b>PLI Scheme 1.1 (Specialty Steel)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 6 January 2025</li> <li>• Objective: To increase domestic production of specialty steel, reduce import dependence.</li> <li>• Change: Investment/capacity criteria in products like CRGO are simpler.</li> <li>• Tenure: FY 2025-26 to 2029-30</li> <li>• Categories: Coated/Plated, High-Strength, Special Rail, Alloy Steel, Steel Wire &amp; Electrical Steel.</li> </ul>
<b>NAVYA Scheme</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pilot Launch: 24 June 2025, Sonbhadra (UP)</li> <li>• Objective: Training of adolescent girls aged 16–18 years in non-traditional skills.</li> <li>• Skills: Drone/Smartphone Assembly, Solar PV, CCTV, Graphic Design, Financial Services, etc.</li> <li>• Ministry: Women and Child Development + Skill Development and Entrepreneurship.</li> <li>• Coverage: 19 states, 27 districts (including aspirational districts).</li> </ul>
<b>'Apna Ghar' initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ministry: Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas.</li> <li>• Objective: Comfort, health and safety for truck drivers.</li> <li>• Facility: Clean relaxation center.</li> <li>• Location: Near OMC fuel outlets on National/State Highways.</li> </ul>
<b>'We Rise' Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 17 October 2025</li> <li>• Partners: NITI Aayog (WEP) and DP World</li> <li>• Objective: Mentoring, Partnerships and Business Opportunities for Women Entrepreneurs.</li> <li>• Target: Global trade/export training to 100 women entrepreneurs.</li> </ul>
<b>'e-Zero FIR' initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Institution: I4C, Ministry of Interior.</li> <li>• Objective: ₹10 lakh+ Automatic FIR &amp; Instant refund of cyber fraud cases.</li> <li>• Pilot: Delhi; Soon, nationwide.</li> <li>• शिकायत माध्यम: 1930 हेल्पलाइन, <a href="http://cybercrime.gov.in">cybercrime.gov.in</a></li> <li>• Procedure: Transfer of Zero FIR → e-crime PS to the concerned police station in Delhi.</li> </ul>
<b>'TALASH' Initiative</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch: 10 July 2025; NESTS and UNICEF India.</li> <li>• पूर्ण रूप: Tribal Aptitude, Life Skills and Self-Esteem Hub</li> <li>• Objectives: Career guidance, life skills and self-confidence of EMRS students.</li> <li>• Compliant with NEP 2020.</li> <li>• First Phase: 189 teachers trained from 75 EMRSs .</li> <li>• Extension: All EMRSs (28 states, 8 UT) by December 2025.</li> </ul>

**The central government promulgated four new labour codes on 21st November 2025**

- The central government implemented four new labor codes from 21 November 2025.
- They replaced 29 outdated labour laws in the country.
- These codes will provide a simple, integrated and modern framework to wages, employment security, social security and workplace safety.

**4 Codes**

1. Code on Wages 2019
2. Industrial Relations Code 2020

3. Code of Social Security 2020
4. Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code 2020

**aim**

- Simplification of labour laws.
- Increasing safety, wages and social security for all workers.
- Bringing gigs, platforms, MSMEs, migrant and unorganised sector workers under the formal security ambit.
- Easing compliance and attracting investment through labour reforms.

<b>Code on Wages, 2019</b>	<b>Industrial Relations Code, 2020</b>	<b>Code on Social Security, 2020</b>	<b>Occupational Safety, Health and Working Conditions Code, 2020</b>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● National minimum wages for all workers.</li> <li>● Timely payment of salaries is mandatory.</li> <li>● Help reduce wage disparity between states.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Better tribunal mechanism for speedy settlement of labour disputes.</li> <li>● Greater transparency and stability in employer-employee relations.</li> <li>● Promote investment and industrial peace.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● <b>The scope includes:</b> gig and platform workers, self-employed, migrant workers and unorganised sector workers.</li> <li>● Portability of facilities like PF, ESIC, Pension, Insurance.</li> <li>● Expansion of social security infrastructure across the country.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● National Safety Standards for All Industries.</li> <li>● Annual free health check-up for workers aged 40+.</li> <li>● Improve the safety, hygiene and working conditions of workplaces.</li> </ul>

**Benefits of New Labour Codes**

- Minimum wages guaranteed for all workers.
- Appointment letter mandatory for youth.
- Women allowed to work in all sectors including night shifts (including security arrangements).
- Comprehensive social security for 40 crore workers.
- Benefit of gratuity after 1 year to fixed term employees .
- Double pay for overtime.
- High safety provisions for those working in hazardous areas.
- Justice and security in line with international labour standards.

**Policies of the Central Government**

**India's First National Geothermal Energy Policy**

- The Union Ministry of New and Renewable Energy notified India's first National Geothermal Energy Policy on 15th September 2025.
- **Objective:** To create a framework for exploration, resource assessment, and project development of geothermal energy.

**Salient features of the policy:**

- The policy supports high enthalpy (electrical) and low/medium enthalpy (heating, cooling, agriculture, industry) uses.
- Resource assessment, including hybrid systems, storage, and reuse of oil/gas wells for geothermal energy, has been covered.
- The process of single-window clearance will be established through State Nodal Agencies.

- The policy proposes to provide tax/GST exemptions, tax holidays, accelerated depreciation, and property tax relief.
- Exploration leases will be given for 3-5 years while development leases will be given for 30+ years with concessional land.
- A centralized geothermal data repository will be set up, which will require mandatory data presentation.

### National Cooperative Policy 2025

- This policy was launched by the Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah on 24 July 2025.
- It was drafted by a 48-member committee headed by Suresh Prabhu .
- **Objective:** To modernize the cooperative sector and link it to the idea of "Prosperity through Cooperatives".
- The policy is targeted to be implemented by 2025–2045 and will replace the country's first National Cooperative Policy of 2002 .

#### Main goals

- Establishment of a co-operative society in every village.
- Formation of 2 lakh Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) by 2029.
- Directs all states to formulate their own state cooperative policy by 31st January 2026.
- To make cooperatives more modern, transparent, inclusive and professional.
- **Training and Institutional Arrangements:** Tribhuvan Cooperative University (TSU), Gujarat: The country's first National Cooperative University.
- At least one cooperative training institute is required in every state.

**Definition of Cooperative Sector:** It is an organization in which people voluntarily gather to meet shared economic, social and cultural needs.

### 'Honour at Sea' (SMS) Policy

- Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal launched the 'Samman in Sagar' (SMS) policy at the International Seawomen's Day event held in Mumbai on 18th May 2025.
- The policy has been launched with the aim of promoting women's participation and empowerment in India's maritime sector.
- Main objective: To ensure gender balance in the maritime workforce, increase the participation of women in travel and leadership positions.

## Campaigns, Events

Campaign/ programme	Auspicious inauguration/ period	Nodal Ministry/ institution	Key Points
<b>Healthy Women, Empowered Families campaign</b>	17 September – 2 October 2025	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare, Ministry of Women and Child Development	Strengthening the health and nutrition of women, adolescent girls and children; 1 Lakh+ Health Camps
<b>One Nation, One Heartbeat</b>	100-Day Campaign	Ministry of Culture	National unity, tribute to martyrs, honouring the tricolour; 60+ ASI Venues Illuminated
<b>Child Marriage Free India Campaign</b>	27 November 2025 – 8 March 2026	Ministry of Women and Child Development	public participation for the elimination of child marriage; Implementation in 3 phases
<b>'Never Alone' AI Mental Health Program</b>	September 10 (New Delhi)	AIIMS	Suicide prevention in students; 24×7 WhatsApp Consultation

<b>Tobacco-Free Educational Institutions Campaign</b>	Nationwide, Continuous	ministry of education	To make schools/colleges tobacco and drug free;
<b>Viksit Krishi Sankalp Abhiyan</b>	3 – 18 October 2025	Ministry of Agriculture	Direct interaction between farmers and scientists
<b>Bio-economy innovation drive</b>	7th July 2025	DST, BIRAC, IBRIC+	\$300 billion bio-economy target by 2030
<b>Drug-free youth, developed India</b>	19–20 July 2025	Central Government	Youth-led drug eradication; Kashi Declaration
<b>One Nation, One Mission: End Plastic Pollution</b>	May 22, 2025	Ministry of Environment, Forest and Climate Change	Ban on single-use plastics; Mission LiFE
<b>Nationwide Campaign for Financial Literacy</b>	continual	RBI, NCFE	Secure Banking & Financial Awareness (FLC, RBI says, FAME)
<b>Jal Shakti Abhiyan: Catch the Rain – 2025</b>	22 Mar 2025	Ministry of Jal Shakti	water conservation; Theme – Water Harvesting Public Participation
<b>"Shatavari – for better health"</b>	6th February 2025	Ministry of Ayush, NMPB	Awareness on the Health Benefits of Medicinal Plants

## Projects

<b>Project/ Project name</b>	<b>Place of origin/ kingdom</b>	<b>Main characteristics</b>
<b>Subansiri Lower Hydroelectric Project (Unit-2)</b>	Arunachal Pradesh	India's largest hydropower project (2000 MW, 8×250 MW); run-of-the-river scheme; annual 7,422 MU of renewable electricity; a 116-meter-high concrete gravity dam; Power to 16 states; Free power to Arunachal and Assam
<b>Project Mahadev</b>	Mumbai, Maharashtra	state-level sports initiatives; Identification and development of football talent under the age of 13
<b>Dulhasti Stage-II Hydroelectric Project</b>	Kishtwar, Jammu and Kashmir	Based on the Chenab River; total capacity 260 MW (2×130 MW); run-of-the-river model; 3,685-meter-long tunnel; Construction Target in 6 Years
<b>Ozu Hydroelectric Project</b>	Upper Subansiri, Arunachal Pradesh	2,220 MW capacity; the top and largest project of the Subansiri Basin; Environmental Clearance from EAC
<b>Tapti Basin Mega Recharge Project</b>	Madhya Pradesh – Maharashtra	Total 31.13 TMC water use; 11.76 TMC to MP, 19.36 TMC to Maharashtra; Water Crisis Solution for Drinking Water and Irrigation
<b>Pakal Dul Hydroelectric Project</b>	Kishtwar, Jammu and Kashmir	Based on the Marusudar River (tributary of the Chenab); 1,000 MW capacity (4×250 MW); Reservoir-based projects; Energy Security & J&K Development
<b>Bairabi–Sairang railway line</b>	Mizoram	51 km long railway line; Cost around ₹8,000 crore; Aizawl joins Indian Railway network for the first time

<b>Tato-II Hydroelectric Project</b>	Shi Yomi District, Arunachal Pradesh	700 MW capacity (4×175 MW); ₹8,146.21 crore investment; 2,738.06 MU of clean energy annually; NEEPCO-State Government Joint Venture
<b>Bankcherla Project</b>	Nandyal, Andhra Pradesh	balancing reservoir construction; AP-Telangana water dispute; Additional water from Godavari to supply water to Rayalaseema and Chennai
<b>Shillong-Silchar high-speed corridor</b>	Meghalaya-Assam	166.8 km long corridor; ₹22,864 crore cost; PPP (Hybrid Annuity); Connection to the Kaladan Multi-Modal Project; Reduced dependence on Siliguri Corridor

## Miscellaneous

### USA and Singapore Top Contributors to India's FDI

- According to the RBI's Foreign Liabilities and Assets (FLA) Calculation 2024–25, the United States and Singapore jointly contributed over 34% of India's total foreign direct investment (FDI).

#### Contribution of Top FDI Source Countries

country	FDI Contribution (%)
United States	20%
Singapore	14.3%
Mauritius	13.3%
United Kingdom	11.2%
Netherlands	9%

- The total FDI asset value in India exceeded ₹61.88 lakh crore, marking an 11.1% increase over the previous year.
- The manufacturing sector received 48.4% of the FDI investment.
- In addition, the services sector was the second largest recipient. Investment increased especially in digital, IT, and business services.

### India's Foreign Direct Investment (ODI)

- Direct Investment (ODI) refers to the expansion of operations by an Indian company abroad.
- India's ODI soars reached ₹11.66 lakh crore in 2024–25, registering a 17.9% annual growth.

#### Top ODI Destinations

country	ODI Contribution (%)
Singapore	22.2%
USA	15.4%
United Kingdom	12.8%
Netherlands	9.6%

- Note:** ODI growth exceeded FDI, reflecting the acceleration of Indian companies' global expansion.

**RBI 's Fifth Bi-monthly Monetary Policy Review**

- The Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) meeting of the Reserve Bank of India was held in Mumbai from 3rd to 5th December 2025 and was chaired by RBI Governor Sanjay Malhotra.
- In this, the MPC decided to cut the key policy rate repo rate by 0.25% (25 basis points).
- After this cut, the repo rate has become 5.25%, SDF 5.00%, and MSF and Bank Rate 5.50%.
- The reduction in the repo rate will increase the pressure on banks to reduce the interest rate and this may reduce the EMI of home loans, vehicle loans, and other loans.
- This decision will help in increasing liquidity in the financial system and stimulate economic activity by reducing borrowing costs for consumers and businesses.

**India becomes the fourth largest economy in the world**

- India has overtaken Japan to become the fourth largest economy in the world.
- The country's Gross Domestic Product (GDP) has reached \$ 4.18 trillion (Rs 347 lakh crore).
- According to the central government, at the current pace, India can overtake Germany to come in third place in 3 years.
- India's GDP is projected to be \$7.3 trillion by 2030.
- India's GDP has registered a growth of 8.2% in the second quarter of the year 2025-26.

**Submits 16th Finance Commission Report to President of India**

- The 16th Finance Commission headed by Chairman, Dr. Arvind Panagariya and other Members presented the Report for 2026-2031 to the President of India, Smt Droupadi Murmu on 17th November 2025.
- The report will be in public domain after it is presented in Parliament by the Union Finance Minister under Article 281 of the Constitution of India.
- The report will form the basis of tax-disbursement, grants, disaster management finance and fiscal framework for the period from April 1, 2026 to March 31, 2031.

**Finance Commission**

- The Finance Commission, which is constituted under Article 280 of the Constitution, recommends the net income-distribution of taxes between the Centre and the State.
- It makes suggestions on income sharing among states, principles of grants, financial provision of disaster management and other subjects referred to by the President.

**16th Finance Commission**

- The Commission was constituted on 31st December 2023.
- Chairman: Dr. Arvind Panagariya

**Member:**

1. Annie George Mathew
  2. Dr. Manoj Panda, MD
  3. T. Rabi Shankar (part-time)
  4. Dr. Soumya Kanti Ghosh (part-time)
- **Secretary:** Ritwik Pandey

**Cabinet approves 8th Pay Commission**

- The Union Cabinet meeting held on 28 October 2025 under the chairmanship of Prime Minister Narendra Modi approved the formation of the 8th Central Pay Commission (CPC) and its Point of Reference (ToR).
- Justice Ranjana Desai, a retired Supreme Court judge, has been appointed as the chairperson of the commission.
  - Part-time Member of the Commission: **Prof. Pulak Ghosh (IIM Bangalore)**
  - Member Secretary: **Pankaj Jain (Petroleum Secretary)**

**Composition of the Commission**

- The 8th Pay Commission will be a temporary body consisting of—
  1. A chairperson

2. A Part-Time Member
  3. A Member-Secretary will be involved.
- The Commission will have to submit its final recommendations within 18 months from the date of constitution.
  - The Central Pay Commission periodically reviews the salary, allowances, pension and service conditions of the employees.
  - A new Pay Commission is constituted every 10 years .
  - The recommendations of the 7th Pay Commission came into force in 2016.
  - The recommendations of the 8th Pay Commission came into effect from January 1, 2026.

**Amendment in MSME Classification Criteria Implemented**

- The Government of India has changed the criteria for investment and turnover for the classification of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises (MSMEs).
- These revised norms came into effect from 1st April 2025.
- Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman announced these changes in the Union Budget speech.
- Under the new rules, the investment limit of classification of MSMEs is proposed to be increased by 2.5 times and the annual turnover limit is increased to 2 times.

<b>Major Revisions in Norms</b>				
<b>enterprise</b>	<b>Investment in Plant and Machinery</b>		<b>Annual Turnover</b>	
	<b>Pre-Criteria</b>	<b>Revised Norms</b>	<b>Pre-Criteria</b>	<b>Revised Norms</b>
(Micro)	Rs. 1 crore	Rs 2.5 crore	Rs 5 crore	Rs. 10 crore
Small	Rs. 10 crore	Rs 25 crore	Rs. 50 crores	Rs. 100 crore
Medium	Rs. 50 crores	Rs 125 crore	Rs 250 crore	Rs. 500 crores

**The United States has become India's largest trading partner.**

- In FY 2024-25, the United States has become India's top trading partner for the fourth consecutive time.

**Top 3 Trading Partners of India**

<b>Ran k</b>	<b>country</b>	<b>Bilateral Trade in 2024-25 (in US Dollars)</b>
1.	USA	\$131.84 billion
2.	China	\$127.7 billion
3.	United Arab Emirates (UAE)	\$100.5 billion

**Top Export Destinations of India (FY 2024-25)**

<b>orde r</b>	<b>country</b>	<b>Export value (in billion dollars)</b>	<b>Growth Rate (%)</b>
1	USA	86.5	11.59%
2	United Arab Emirates	36.6	2.84%
3	Netherlands	22.7	1.75%
4	United Kingdom	14.5	12%

**India's Top Import Sources (FY 2024-25)**

<b>orde r</b>	<b>country</b>	<b>Import value (in billion dollars)</b>	<b>Growth Rate (%)</b>
1	China	113.45	11.52%
2	Russia	63.8	4.39%
3	United Arab Emirates	63.4	32%
4	USA	45.3	7.44%

- India's trade deficit with China widened by 17% to USD 99.2 billion.

**The world's largest retail fast-payment system.**

- The International Monetary Fund (IMF) has considered the Unified Payment Interface (UPI) as the world's largest retail fast-payment system.
- This is mentioned in the report 'Growing Retail Digital Payments (The Value of Interoperability)'.
- According to ACI Worldwide's 2024 report, UPI accounts for approximately 49% of global real-time payment transactions and tops the global list with 129.3 billion transactions.
- Brazil ranks second with 14% market share and 37.4 billion transactions, while Thailand ranks third with an 8% share and 20.4 billion transactions.
- China ranks fourth with a 6% share and 17.2 billion transactions.

**SBI becomes first Indian state-owned bank with \$100 billion market cap**

- State Bank of India (SBI) has achieved a landmark milestone by crossing a market capitalization of \$100 billion and a total turnover of Rs 100 trillion.
- SBI has become the first state-run Indian bank to achieve this feat, while HDFC Bank has already reached the global top 10.
- SBI has now joined the list of companies like HDFC Bank, TCS, Reliance Industries, Bharti Airtel and ICICI Bank that have crossed the \$ 100 billion mark.
- In terms of market capitalization, Reliance Industries tops the list with \$228 billion, followed by HDFC Bank with \$170 billion.

**Formation of Payment Regulatory Board (PRB)**

- The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has established the Payment Regulatory Board (PRB).
- This new board will replace the erstwhile BPSS (Board for Regulation and Supervision of Payment and Settlement Systems).
- **Objective:** To make the fast-growing digital payments sector in India secure, transparent, and efficient.
- Objective: To create a more autonomous and accountable regulatory framework towards India's global digital payments leadership.

**structure**

- Chairman: RBI Governor
- Total Members: 6

**Decision System:**

- Decisions will be taken by majority.
- In the event of a tie, the Speaker's vote will be decisive.
- There will be at least two meetings per year.
- **Key Verticals:** PRBs have been empowered to monitor and regulate all payment systems in India.

**56th GST Council Meeting**

- The meeting was held on 3rd September 2025 in New Delhi.
- In this, the Council approved just two main tax slabs (5% and 18%).
- In addition, the special slab of 40% will only apply to luxury and harmful items (cigarettes, alcohol, etc.).
- The 12% and 28% slabs of GST were abolished.
- The new rates came into effect from 22 September 2025 (the first day of Navratri).
- Under this, most of the food and daily items are now included in the 5% tax slab.
- There will be no GST on health and life insurance (earlier 18%). These have been placed in the tax exemption category, which has provided relief to the insurers.

**Goods and Services Tax Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT)**

- Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman formally launched the GST Appellate Tribunal (GSTAT) in New Delhi on 24th September 2025.

- GSTAT aims to ensure timely and equitable dispute resolution, ensure uniform interpretation of tax laws, enhance taxpayer confidence, and encourage ease of doing business.
- The composition of GSTAT consists of a Principal Bench and 31 State Benches in New Delhi, which will be set up at 45 locations.
- Each Bench will consist of 2 Judicial Members, 1 Technical Member (Centre) and 1 Technical Member (State).
- The institution provides a uniform, transparent and effective appellate mechanism to the taxpayers.
- The GSTAT e-Courts Portal has been developed by GSTN and NIC, with features such as e-filing, digital hearing, online case tracking, and case management tools.
- GSTAT will lead to uniformity of tax decisions across states, speedy disposal of appeals, and reduced legal uncertainty for businesses, benefiting MSMEs, exporters, and startups.

**Social Security Coverage in India Increases from 19% to 64.3%**

- According to ILO's ILOSTAT 2025 data, social security coverage increased from 19% in 2015 to 64.3% in 2025 .
- This increase is a jump of 45 percentage points in 10 years .
- More than 94 crore Indians in the country are now covered under some form of social security scheme.
- India has reached the second position in the world **on the basis of the number of beneficiaries** .
- **Social Security:** This system provides essential support and protection to citizens in health, livelihood, old age, unemployment, and emergencies.

Subject/ initiative	Key facts
<b>New base year of CPI</b>	Changes in CPI calculation methodology by Government of India; base years 2012 → 2024 (Applicable Q1 2026); Number of items 299 → ~407; The share of services (digital services, healthtech, processed food) will increase; Based on HCES 2023–24
<b>New base year of GDP and IIP</b>	According to the Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation (MoSPI), FY 2022–23 is the new base year for GDP; 2022–23 Provisional Revised Basis for IIP
<b>Base year revision of WPI</b>	WPI base year 2011–12 → 2022–23 by the Government of India; Working Group led by Ramesh Chand, Member, NITI Aayog; WPI and PPI suggest new commodity basket
<b>NPAs decline by March 2025</b>	Stability in the banking sector; Gross NPA 2.31% and net NPA 0.52% (lowest in 20 years); Gross NPAs of PSBs are 9.11% (2021) → 2.58% (2025).
<b>Overall Strength of Banking Sector</b>	Domestic deposits ₹88.35 → ₹231.90 lakh crore (2015–25); debt of ₹66.91 → ₹181.34 lakh crore; CRAR 12.94% → 17.36%
<b>Navratna status for IRCTC and IRFC</b>	On March 3, the central government granted Navratna status to IRCTC and IRFC; under the Ministry of Railways; 25th and 26th Navratna CPSEs; Total Navratnas = 26
<b>HSL Gets Mini Ratna Status</b>	Hindustan Shipyard Limited (established 1941); Mini Ratna on 14th October 2025; under the Ministry of Defence; Enhanced Financial and Operational Autonomy
<b>India's First Deep-Tech VC Fund</b>	Y-Point Venture Capital Fund launched by IIT Bombay's SINE; ₹250 crore fund; Support to 25–30 deep-tech startups; AI, Space, Defence, Healthcare Focus
<b>₹1 trillion OMO purchase</b>	₹1 trillion OMO purchase and \$5 billion dollar-rupee swap by RBI; To increase liquidity, keep interest rates stable and maintain credit flow
<b>Open Market Operation (OMO)</b>	RBI's Monetary Policy Tool; Cash control in the banking system through buying and selling of government bonds

<b>'Colbridge' Window Policy</b>	Approved by the Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs; New Window in NRS Linkage Auction Policy; long-term coal linkages for industrial use and export; Coking coal not included
<b>Tata-Intel Semiconductor MoU</b>	Agreement between Tata Electronics and Intel; Dholera (Gujarat) Chip Fab and Guwahati (Assam) OSAT facility; Semiconductor, Packaging & AI Collaboration
<b>Cooperative Insurance Program</b>	Launched by the Central Government on 5th December 2025; Health, Life, Agriculture, Accident Insurance Cover; 3 Insurance Ambassadors in each village
<b>Approval of Highway InvIT</b>	SEBI approves NHAI's Highway Infra Investment Trust; Retail investors invest in highway projects; Share in toll income
<b>India's First Legal GEI Target Rules, 2025</b>	Legally binding GEI targets for aluminum, cement, pulp-paper, and chlor-alkali sectors to be implemented in 2025; Carbon Credit Regime under CCTS 2023; Credit for meeting the target, purchase/compensation for default; in line with the Paris Agreement; Target to reduce GDP-based emission intensity by 45% from 2005 levels by 2030
<b>'NaMo Semiconductor Lab' at IIT Bhubaneswar</b>	Approval by the Ministry of Electronics and IT; modern EDA tools for semiconductor training, design and R&D; chip design and manufacturing skills for youth; India has ~20% of the global chip design talent; SiC Semiconductor Unit and 3D Glass Packaging Facility in Odisha; 10 Semiconductor units approved in the country so far
<b>HAL-UAC Agreement for SJ-100 Aircraft</b>	MoU on 27 October 2025; joint production of Sukhoi Superjet-100; 103 seats, 3,530 km range; -55°C to +45°C operating capacity; Manufactured by HAL in India; Boost to indigenous civil aircraft manufacturing capacity
<b>Improved Seed Plant of National Seeds Corporation</b>	Inauguration at Pusa, New Delhi; Special unit for vegetable and flower seeds; Capacity: 1 ton/h; Virtual inauguration of 4-4 Ton/hr plants at Bareilly, Dharwad, Hassan, Suratgarh and Raichur
<b>Logistics Data Bank (LDB) 2.0</b>	Launched on 20 September 2025; developed by NLDL; Real-time tracking, multi-modal visibility, container monitoring; Improving supply-chain efficiency of MSMEs and exporters
<b>100% FDI in Insurance Sector</b>	Insurance Companies of India (Foreign Investment) Amendment Rules, 2025; 100% FDI allowed through the automatic route; Promoting foreign capital, innovation and competitiveness
<b>NICB-Saraswat Co-operative Bank Merger</b>	RBI approval; effective August 4, 2025; Moratorium on NICB after February 2025's ₹122 crore fraud; All branches and customers are now under Saraswat Bank.
<b>The Banking Laws (Amendment) Act, 2025</b>	Effective August 1, 2025; PSB Audit Standards Strengthened; Tenure of Directors of Cooperative Banks 8 → 10 years; 'Substantial interest' limit ₹5 lakh → ₹2 crore; In line with the 97th Constitutional Amendment
<b>Integrated Aqua Park in Jammu and Kashmir</b>	₹100 crore under PMMSY Phase-II; Promotion of fisheries, rural livelihoods and youth entrepreneurship; India's first integrated aqua park already established in Arunachal (Tarin-Zero)
<b>Coal Ministry's 'RECLAIM' Framework</b>	Launched on July 4, 2025; Focus on Community Participation and Development of Mining-Affected Areas
<b>Durgapur-Kolkata gas pipeline</b>	Opening on 18 July 2025; 132 km long pipeline; part of Jagdishpur-Haldia and Bokaro-Dhamra network; Clean fuel supply to households, industries and transport in Purba Bardhaman, Hooghly and Nadia
<b>Amendment to SEZ Rules for Semiconductors and Electronics</b>	Relaxation of SEZ rules; Minimum land requirement 50 → 10 hectares; More flexibility in leasing/mortgages to government agencies; Free commodities included in net forex calculation

<b>Listing of DFCC Bank on NSE IX</b>	Sri Lanka's DFCC Bank GIFT City-based secondary listing of LKR 2.5 billion green bonds on NSE IX; First Foreign Corporate Listed on NSE IX
<b>NPCI-IDRBT Partnership</b>	MoU on 12th June 2025; Cooperation to make digital payment systems safe and resilient from cyber threats
<b>ADB's \$10 billion urban investment</b>	Asian Development Bank announces \$10 billion investment over 5 years; Urban Transformation through Urban Challenge Fund
<b>EMC 2.0 in Gautam Buddh Nagar</b>	Cost ₹417 crore; 200 acres; Development by YEIDA; Boost to Electronics Manufacturing
<b>Gold becomes second largest reserve asset</b>	According to the ECB report; Dollar 46% (first), gold 20% (second), euro 16% (third); Global gold reserves ~36,000 tons; US Fed has 8,133.46 tons
<b>Drools becomes the first pet food unicorn</b>	Bengaluru-based Drools valued at \$1B+; Achievement after minority stake by Nestlé; India's Fourth Unicorn of 2025
<b>Credit guarantee limit for startups increased</b>	9 May 2025 Notification; by DPIIT; Guarantee limit of ₹10 crore → ₹20 crore per borrower; Announcement of Union Budget 2025-26
<b>India's First Indigenous LLM – Sarvam AI</b>	Selection under India AI Mission; Development Targets in 6 Months; Based on Indian languages and cultural data; Voice and Logic Ability; GPT and LLaMA-like structure
<b>Rapido–Ministry of Labour MoU</b>	29 April 2025; Employment generation through NCS portal; 50 lakh livelihood opportunities in 1-2 years; For 5 lakh women
<b>Integration of Regional Rural Banks</b>	8 April 2025 Notification; Merger of 15 RRBs in 11 states; One State–One RRB from May 1, 2025; Nos. 43 → 28; Headquartered in Jaipur in Rajasthan
<b>PM-AJAY: 4,991 villages Adarsh Gram</b>	Announcement in FY 2024-25; Planning for the socio-economic development of SC communities; 3 components—Model Village, Grant, Hostel; SC Population ≥40% Eligibility
<b>UPS (Unified Pension Scheme)</b>	Effective April 1, 2025; PFRDA Guidelines 19 March 2025; Options under NPS; Employee contribution 10%, the Centre's total contribution 18.5%; ₹10,000 minimum pension on 10 years of service
<b>Digital Soil Fertility Mapping</b>	launched by SLUSI on 11 March 2025; geospatial maps based on SHC data; the use of remote sensing and AI technology; Maps of 351 villages in 34 districts of Maharashtra prepared
<b>Two infrastructure projects in Bihar</b>	CCEA approval; Patna-Ara-Sasaram 4-lane, entry-controlled 120.10 km corridor; greenfield and brownfield development; Kosi-Mechi link strengthens irrigation
<b>India 2nd Largest Tea Exporter (2024)</b>	India overtook Sri Lanka; Kenya at the top; 255 million kg of exports (~10% increase compared to 2023); High quality of Assam, Darjeeling, Nilgiris
<b>'Childhood Poetry' initiative</b>	Ministry of Education initiatives; Compliant with NEP 2020; Nursery Rhymes/Poems in Indian Languages and English; Citizen Engagement through MyGov
<b>105% growth in India's GDP (2015–2025)</b>	GDP \$2.1 trillion (2015) → \$4.3 trillion (2025); More than double in a decade
<b>'Beyond Screens' Digital Detox Initiative</b>	Government of Karnataka and AIGF partnership; tackling digital addiction; promote healthy technological use; Digital Detox in Mainstream Health Services
<b>Social Security Data Pooling Practices</b>	Ministry of Labour, State Governments and ILO; Pilots in 10 states; Analysis of 200 crore+ records of 34 schemes; Beneficiary Identification with Encrypted Aadhaar
<b>Global launch of pellet soda</b>	Launched by APEDA in the international market under the name 'Pill Pop Soda'; New packaging and modern marketing

<b>India Top FDI Sources in Dubai (2024)</b>	India contributes 21.5% to Dubai FDI; the US (13.7%), France (11%), the UK (10%), Switzerland (6.9%); Dubai tops greenfield FDI for the fourth year in a row
<b>Social Stock Exchange Investment Limit Amendment</b>	The minimum investment limit of ZCZP Instruments by SEBI is ₹10,000 → ₹1,000; To increase the participation of retail investors
<b>'SAMARTH' – C-DOT Incubation Programme</b>	The first batch on 19th March 2025; Focus: Telecom, 5G/6G, Cybersecurity, AI, IoT, Quantum; Maximum 18 startups per batch
<b>'SBI Asmita' Scheme</b>	digital, guaranteed-free SME loans for women entrepreneurs; Emphasis on business expansion and self-reliance
<b>India Global Ports Consortium</b>	Launched to strengthen global trade; MAITRI logo launch; Business processes are simple; India Announces Maritime Week (27–31 October 2025, Mumbai)
<b>Reclassification of minor minerals into major minerals</b>	Barite, Felspar, mica and Quartz included in Minor → Major Minerals by the Ministry of Mines; Decision followed by approval of the National Critical Minerals Mission; Use in energy transition, space, health and new technologies; Promotion of scientific mining and exploration
<b>India's first dedicated GCC policy (Madhya Pradesh)</b>	Madhya Pradesh is the first state; Implementation by the designated nodal agency; focus on IT, finance, engineering, HR and emerging technologies; Target to attract 50+ GCCs and create 37,000+ jobs; Special focus on Tier-2 cities
<b>Scientific Disposal of Pharmaceutical Waste in Kerala (nPROUD)</b>	'New Programme for Removal of Unused Drugs'; Scientific system for collection and disposal of expired drugs at the domestic level; India's first state; Pilot in Kozhikode from February 22, then statewide
<b>SIDBI–AFD Credit Facility Agreement</b>	\$100 million line of credit to SIDBI by France's AFD; green finance solutions for MSMEs; Expanding Access to Affordable Finance
<b>National Green Hydrogen Mission: First Centre</b>	Laying of foundation stone of NTPC Green Energy Ltd's project at Pudimadaka near Visakhapatnam on January 8; Country's first Green Hydrogen Centre under the Mission
<b>India is the 6th largest exporter of textiles and apparel</b>	global market share 3.9%; Contribution to total exports 8.21%; ~47% of exports to the US and EU; Imports of \$8,946 million in FY 2023-24
<b>EmpowHER Biz – Flight of Dreams</b>	NITI Aayog's Women Entrepreneurship Platform (WEP ) under the ATR programme; with New Shop (24/7 convenience retail); Retail management, digital tools, financial literacy and business development training for women entrepreneurs; WEP started in 2018
<b>Launch of National Turmeric Board</b>	Launched on 14 January 2025; First President – Palle Ganga Reddy; Headquarters – Nizamabad; 'Golden Spice' Focus on Turmeric; Welfare of farmers of 20+ states; R&D and export quality promotion; Production in 2023-24 at 10.74 lakh tonnes; India's share in world trade is 62%+
<b>Wet Trial of MATSYA-6000 (Deep-Ocean Manned Submersible)</b>	Successful Wettest under the Seafaring Project; Development by NIOT under the Ministry of Earth Sciences; part of the Deep Ocean Mission; Significant step towards shallow water testing to 500 meters depth by the end of 2025; 2.1 m diameter; Design for 3 person operation
<b>Sahakar Sarathi Initiative</b>	Joint initiative of NABARD and Ministry of Cooperation; Integrated Digital Infrastructure for Cooperative Banks and Rural Finance Institutions; Features like Internet Banking, UPI, AEPS, CBS, e-KYC, Loan Tracking
<b>SEBI PaRRVA System</b>	Past Risk and Return Verification Agency; independent verification of return and risk claims associated with investment advice;

	development in collaboration with Care Ratings and NSE; Pilot launch on 8 December 2025; Authenticated and reliable data available to investors
<b>RBI – HaRBinger 2025 Hackathon</b>	RBI's Fourth Global Hackathon; Theme: Secure Banking: Powered by Identity, Integrity, and Inclusivity; Focus on secure, identity-based and inclusive banking solutions; Aims to increase trust and transparency in digital banking
<b>AFTER 3.0</b>	an upgraded version of the National Automated Clearing House; Effective from the first week of July 2025 by NPCI; Greater speed, security and transparency in recurring digital payments (salary, pension, EMI, subsidy, MF, OTT, bills)
<b>BHIM 3.0</b>	Launched by BPHIM Services Ltd, a subsidiary of NPCI; Available from April 2025; 15+ Indian languages; Less effective on the Internet; Monthly expense tracking, category-wise expenditure analysis, facility to connect family members to UPI

## Space and Defence Technology

### Missions of ISRO

mission	Launch	throwing	Key Points
<b>LVM3-M6 / 'Blue Bird Block-2' mission</b>	24th December 2025, Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota (Andhra Pradesh)	Launch of AST SpaceMobile (USA) Bluebird Block-2 satellite by LVM3-M6 rocket	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Heaviest satellite ever launched from India (6,100 kg)</li> <li>• Next-generation communication satellite installed in LEO orbit</li> <li>• Towerless 4G/5G connectivity</li> <li>• Under the NSIL-AST SpaceMobile Commercial Agreement</li> </ul>
<b>CMS-03 (GSAT-7R) मिशन</b>	2nd November 2025, Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota	Launch of CMS-03 communication satellite by LVM3-M5 rocket	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's heaviest communication satellite ever (4,410 kg)</li> <li>• Installed in Geosynchronous Transfer Orbit (GTO)</li> <li>• Replacement of GSAT-7 - Secure Military Communication for Indian Navy</li> </ul>
<b>Gaganyaan Crew Module Parachute Test</b>	Jhansi, Babina Field Firing Range (BFFR)	Air-drop test from an altitude of 2.5 km from an IL-76 aircraft	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Testing a system of a total of 10 parachutes</li> <li>• Use of reefed-inflation technology</li> <li>• Significant achievement towards human spaceflight</li> </ul>
<b>Mangalyaan-2 mission</b>	Proposed: Year 2030	Orbiter + Lander (including potential rover)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first Mars landing mission</li> <li>• Study of the atmosphere and environment of Mars</li> <li>• MODEX, RO, EIS, LPEX payloads included</li> <li>• Advanced navigation and precision landing system</li> </ul>
<b>ISSA-J1 (Japan) Mission</b>	Proposed: Spring 2027, Sriharikota	Launch of Japanese ISSA-J1 satellite by PSLV rocket	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First time completed PSLV reserved for Japan</li> <li>• Developed by Astroscale Japan</li> <li>• Monitoring space debris and inactive satellites</li> <li>• Space Situational Awareness मिशन</li> </ul>
<b>HOPE Mission</b>	1-10 August 2025, Tso-Kar Valley, Ladakh	Analog human space missions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Himalayan Outpost for Planetary Exploration</li> <li>• Joint initiative of ISRO and Protoplanet</li> <li>• Human Readiness Test for Lunar and Mars Missions</li> <li>• Isolation, life-support and habitat systems</li> </ul>
<b>Gaganyaan Droog Parachute Test</b>	18-19 December 2025, Chandigarh	Droog Parachute Qualification Test at Rail Track Rocket Sled (RTRS) Facility	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluation of the functionality of the drogue parachute during return from space</li> <li>• Assisted in stabilizing the crew module and reducing speed.</li> <li>• A total of 10 parachutes in the Gaganyaan deceleration system</li> <li>• Reliability affirmation in difficult conditions</li> </ul>

<b>IMAT – Main Parachute Airdrop Test</b>	Babina Field Firing Range, Jhansi (Uttar Pradesh)	Integrated Main Parachute Air-drop Test (IMAT)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful test of the main parachute system</li> <li>• Part of the certification of the entire parachute system</li> <li>• Ensuring safe and controlled landing</li> </ul>
<b>Gaganyaan Crew Module Drop Test (IADT-01)</b>	Near Sriharikota coast, Bay of Bengal	Air-drop from 4 km altitude from IAF Chinook helicopter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First integrated air-drop test</li> <li>• Safe splashdown of modules weighing about 5 tons.</li> <li>• Testing of safe landing of astronauts on the water surface</li> <li>• Jointly developed by ISRO-DRDO</li> </ul>
<b>Indian Space Station</b>	Target year: <b>2035</b>	Indigenous human space station	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's independent National Space Station</li> <li>• Laboratory for Long Term Human Space Operations</li> <li>• Use for scientific experiments and human mission preparation</li> </ul>
<b>India's Human Moon Mission</b>	Target year: <b>2040</b>	Manned Lunar Landing Mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Plan to send Indian astronaut to the moon</li> <li>• Completely indigenous technology based</li> <li>• Will include India in the list of countries to undertake manned lunar missions</li> </ul>
<b>PSLV-C61 / EOS-09 मिशन</b>	18 May 2025, Satish Dhawan Space Centre (FLP), Sriharikota	Launch of EOS-09 satellite by PSLV-C61	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's 101st space mission</li> <li>• Mission failed due to technical problem in the third stage</li> <li>• Aim to set up in SSPO</li> <li>• 63rd flight of PSLV</li> </ul>
<b>Chandrayaan-5 (LUPEX) Mission</b>	Potential: 2027–28	By Japanese H3 rocket	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India-Japan Joint Mission</li> <li>• Discovery of water/ice in the lunar polar region</li> <li>• Sample Drilling &amp; Subsurface Studies</li> <li>• Cooperation of ISRO, JAXA, NASA, ESA</li> </ul>
<b>NISAR Satellite Mission</b>	30 July 2025, Satish Dhawan Space Centre, Sriharikota	Launch by GSLV Mk-II	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NASA-ISRO Joint Earth-Observation Mission</li> <li>• World's first dual-frequency SAR (L-band + S-band) satellite</li> <li>• Monitoring subtle and slow changes in the Earth's surface</li> <li>• NASA: L-band SAR, GPS, antenna</li> <li>• ISRO: S-band SAR, Launch Vehicle, Spacecraft Bus</li> </ul>
<b>Stellite Nozzle Divergent Development</b>	18th April 2025	Indigenous Nozzle Development for Phase IV of PSLV	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Made from Stellite alloy</li> <li>• Cheaper alternative to imported Columbium-C103</li> <li>• Temperature tolerance over 1100°C</li> <li>• Up to 90% more affordable</li> <li>• Important in thrust, stability and guidance</li> </ul>
<b>Chandrayaan-5 Mission (Government Approval)</b>	Approval Year: 2025	India-Japan Joint Lunar Mission	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 250 kg rover will be sent to the lunar surface</li> <li>• Large lander included</li> <li>• Basis for future manned lunar missions</li> <li>• ISRO-JAXA सहयोग</li> </ul>

<b>Semi-Cryogenic Engine (SE2000) Test</b>	March 6, 2025	Successful Testing of Power Head Test Article (PHTA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joint testing of gas generators, turbopumps, pre-burners</li> <li>• Testing without thrust chamber</li> <li>• LOX + kerosene propellants</li> <li>• Important for heavy launch vehicles</li> </ul>
<b>SpaDeX Mission – Rolling Experiments</b>	March 2025	Satellite Rotation/Rolling Tests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Testing of satellite control capability</li> <li>• Assistance in accurate goal setting</li> <li>• Useful for future missions like Chandrayaan-4</li> <li>• Software &amp; Ground System Verification</li> </ul>
<b>100th launch from Satish Dhawan Space Centre</b>	29th January 2025, Sriharikota	Launch of NVS-02 by GSLV-F15	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's 100th launch</li> <li>• NVS-02, a satellite of the NAVIC system</li> <li>• Installed in GTO</li> <li>• Launch from the second launch pad</li> </ul>
<b>SpaDeX Mission – Docking Success</b>	Launch: 30 December 2024	SpaDeX Mission – Docking Success	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful docking of SDX01 (Chaser) and SDX02 (Target)</li> <li>• Installed in 470 km LEO</li> <li>• India is the fourth country to achieve docking capability</li> <li>• Important for future space station and manned missions</li> </ul>
<b>CROPS Experiment (Growth of Plants in Space)</b>		PSLV-C60 POEM-4 मिशन के साथ	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Orbital plant study experiments</li> <li>• Successful germination of cowpea seeds</li> <li>• CROPS = Compact Research Module for Orbital Plant Studies</li> <li>• Developed by VSSC</li> </ul>
<b>Indian Space Robotic Branch (RRM-TD)</b>	—	Successful operations in space	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first movable space robotic manipulator</li> <li>• Developed by IISU</li> <li>• 7 Degrees of Freedom (DoF)</li> <li>• Helpful in future on-orbit servicing missions</li> </ul>

## Private Missions of India

Initiative/mission	Launch/Launch declaration	Throwing/arrangement	Key Points
<b>Space Labs Initiative</b>	Invitation to Offer by IN-SPACe (2025)	Space Lab Setting up in Educational Institutions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Preparing the next generation of space scientists/engineers</li> <li>• A total of 7 institutions were selected (regional balance)</li> <li>• Eligibility: 5 years old, NIRF TOP-200, Space Course</li> <li>• Financial assistance up to 75%, maximum ₹5 crore</li> </ul>
<b>Vikram-I rocket and Skyroute 'Infinity Campus'</b>	27th November 2025	Inauguration by PM via video conferencing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first private orbital rocket</li> <li>• Capable of installing small satellites in LEO</li> <li>• In the name of Dr. Vikram Sarabhai</li> <li>• First Vikram-S (2022) suborbital rocket</li> </ul>
<b>Skyroot Aerospace – Infinity Campus</b>	27th November 2025	Inauguration in Hyderabad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• State-of-the-art campus of 2,00,000 sq. ft.</li> <li>• Launch vehicle design, integration and testing facility</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goal: 1 orbital rocket construction per month</li> <li>• Promoting private sector participation</li> </ul>
<b>India's First Commercial PSLV (OceanSat Mission)</b>	Proposed: 2026	OceanSat Satellite Launch by PSLV-XL	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• PSLV built entirely by the private sector</li> <li>• Manufacturing and System Integration by HAL &amp; L&amp;T</li> <li>• Part of 5 PSLV contracts received from ISRO in 2022</li> <li>• Will make India competitive in the global launch market</li> </ul>
<b>India's first commercial earth observation satellite constellation</b>	Selection by IN-SPACe (2025)	Phased deployment (4–5 years)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Private consortium led by PixelSpace India</li> <li>• Investment of more than ₹1200 crore</li> <li>• Constellation of 12 EO satellites</li> <li>• Pan, Multispectral, Hyperspectral, SAR सेंसर</li> <li>• Strengthening data sovereignty and indigenous EO capability</li> </ul>
<b>'Firefly' private satellite constellation</b>	SpaceX Transporter-12 मिशन	Launch from Vandenberg (USA)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first private satellite Constellation</li> <li>• Developed by the Pixel company</li> <li>• 5-meter resolution hyperspectral satellite</li> <li>• 30 times clearer than the existing 6m system</li> </ul>
<b>SCOT Mission</b>	by Digantara	SpaceX Transporter-12 मिशन	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Monitoring small objects up to 5 cm in LEO</li> <li>• Space Situational Awareness (SSA) में वृद्धि</li> <li>• Satellite protection from space debris</li> <li>• Private Startup Based SSA Mission</li> </ul>

## Overseas Missions

mission	Launch (Date/Location)	Launch vehicle	Key Points
<b>Shenzhou-21 (China)</b>	Jiuquan Satellite Launch Center, China	Long March-2F	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful docking from Tiangong Space Station</li> <li>• 6 Month Human Mission</li> <li>• Team: Zhang Lu, Wu Fei (youngest), Zhang Hongzhang</li> <li>• 4 mice sent for study on mammals in microgravity</li> </ul>
<b>NASA-NOAA 's 3 Solar/Space Weather Missions</b>	24 September 2025, Florida (USA)	SpaceX Falcon-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IMAP: Study of the heliosphere and solar wind</li> <li>• Carruthers Geocorona Observatory: A Study of the Earth's Exosphere</li> <li>• SWFO-L1 (NOAA): 24×7 Space Weather Forecast</li> </ul>
<b>Venera-D Mission (Russia)</b>	Proposed: Before 2036	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mission to Venus</li> <li>• Includes lander, balloon probe and orbiter</li> <li>• Development in collaboration with the Lavochkin Association</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Design work to start from January 2026</li> </ul>
<b>NASA Crew-11 Mission</b>	August 1, 2025, Kennedy Space Center, Florida	Falcon-9 + Dragon Capsule	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4 astronauts arrived at the ISS</li> <li>• Crew: Xena Cardman, Michael Finke, Oleg Platonov, Kimia Yui</li> <li>• Scientific experiments, repairs and human explorations</li> </ul>
<b>X-37B (USA)</b>	—	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Reusable secret space plane</li> <li>• Orbital Test Vehicle (OTV)</li> <li>• संचालन: US Space Force</li> <li>• Record Mission Duration: 908 days</li> <li>• Military and technological experiments</li> </ul>
<b>Dror-1 Communication s Satellite (Israel)</b>	13 July 2025, Cape Canaveral (USA)	Falcon-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Manufactured by IAI</li> <li>• Communication services for 15 years</li> <li>• Installed in GEO (~36,000 km)</li> <li>• Secure military, government and civilian communications</li> </ul>
<b>GOSAT-GW (Japan)</b>	June 29, 2025, Japan	H-2A rocket	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Greenhouse gas (CO<sub>2</sub>, CH<sub>4</sub>) monitoring</li> <li>• Study of water cycle and climate indicators</li> <li>• Data to global entities, including NOAA</li> <li>• JAXA+ developed by Mitsubishi</li> </ul>
<b>NASA TRACERS Mission</b>	2025, Vandenberg Space Force Base, USA	Falcon-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Pair mission of two satellites</li> <li>• Study of magnetic recombination</li> <li>• Understanding the Earth's Defense from Space Weather</li> <li>• Together with ATHENA-EPIC, PExT, REAL payloads</li> </ul>
<b>Honda's Reusable Rocket Test (Japan)</b>	June 17, 2025, Taiki Town, Hokkaido	Successful Launch and Controlled Landing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Honda's first reusable rocket</li> <li>• Length: 6.3 meters</li> <li>• Flight Duration: 56.6 seconds</li> <li>• Maximum height: 271.4 meters</li> <li>• Autonomous Navigation and Controlled Landing</li> </ul>
<b>Access to space by robot-powered drones (Russia)</b>	Technology patented by Russia	Robotic drone operation (proposed)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Automated operation of drones from orbital station</li> <li>• Russia' s ROS will perform entirely robot-based maintenance</li> <li>• First robotic drone platform</li> <li>• Also useful in lunar missions</li> </ul>
<b>First depiction of the Sun's South Pole</b>	June 11, 2025	Solar Orbiter मिशन	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ESA–NASA Joint Mission</li> <li>• Photos from 65 million km away</li> <li>• Observation from a 17° angle after the Venus flyby</li> <li>• Important in understanding solar activities</li> </ul>
<b>Flyeye Telescope (ESA)</b>	2025	Earth-based telescope system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fly's eye-inspired design</li> <li>• Quick scanning of large celestial spheres</li> <li>• Early detection of dangerous asteroids</li> </ul>
<b>Tianwen-2 Mission (China)</b>	May 2025	Long March-3B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Sample returns from Near-Earth Asteroid Kamo'oalewa</li> <li>• Touch-and-Go व Anchor-and-Attach तकनीक</li> <li>• Study of the origin and structure of asteroids</li> </ul>
<b>NASA 's GRAIL mission</b>	Launch: 2011, Cape Canaveral	Delta-II रॉकेट	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The cause of the Moon's nearside–farside disparity is obvious.</li> </ul>

			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earth's gravitational influence and internal heat source are responsible.</li> <li>• Vehicle: Ebb &amp; Flow</li> <li>• Lunar gravitational mapping</li> </ul>
<b>Project Kuiper (Amazon)</b>	28 April 2025, Cape Canaveral	The Atlas-V	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First 27 broadband satellite launches</li> <li>• Total target: 3,236 LEO satellites</li> <li>• Internet in rural and remote areas</li> <li>• Starlink 's competitors</li> </ul>
<b>NASA 's Space-Based Quantum Sensor (QGGPf)</b>	2025	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Quantum Gravity Gradiometer Pathfinder</li> <li>• Extremely cold Rubidium atoms</li> <li>• 10 times more sensitive than traditional sensors</li> <li>• Climate, Water Resources, Seismic and Geological Studies</li> </ul>
<b>Bangladesh joins Artemis Accords</b>	Recent	—	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bangladesh is the 54th signatory country</li> <li>• Second South Asian country after India</li> <li>• India signed on 21 June 2023 (27th country)</li> <li>• Founded: 13 October 2020 (NASA + US State Dept.)</li> </ul>
<b>Blue Origin NS-31 flight</b>	14 April 2025, West Texas (USA)	New Shepard (NS-31)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 6 Women's Sub-Orbital Flight</li> <li>• Crossing the Carman Line 100 km up</li> <li>• First all-women contingent since 1963</li> <li>• Owner: Jeff Bezos</li> </ul>
<b>SpaceX Fram-2 mission</b>	March 31, 2025, Kennedy Space Center	Falcon-9 + Crew Dragon (Resilience)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Four private astronauts</li> <li>• Human flight in polar orbit for the first time</li> <li>• Mission Duration: 3–5 days</li> <li>• 22 Scientific experiments</li> </ul>
<b>ESA Biomass Satellite</b>	April 2025	Vega-C	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 7th Mission of Earth Exploration Programme</li> <li>• P-Band SAR (70 cm)</li> <li>• Monitoring of biomass and carbon cycle of forests</li> <li>• 666 km Sun-synchronous orbit</li> </ul>
<b>Sunita Williams returns from the ISS</b>	19 March 2025	SpaceX Dragon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Earth return after 9 months</li> <li>• Prolonged migration due to technical glitches</li> <li>• With Butch Wilmore, Nick Hague, Aleksandr Gorbunov</li> </ul>
<b>SpaceX–NASA Crew-10 मिशन</b>	2025	Falcon-9 + Dragon	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mission for the safe return of Sunita Williams and Butch Wilmore from the ISS</li> </ul>
<b>ESA 's Gaia mission ends</b>	Launch: 19 December 2013 Expired: 27 March 2025 (Announced)	-	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The most accurate 3D map of the galaxy</li> <li>• Workplace: L2 Lagrange point</li> <li>• Black holes, starquakes, asteroid discoveries</li> </ul>
<b>NASA 's SPHEREx and PUNCH missions</b>	11 March 2025, Vandenberg (USA)	Falcon-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SPHEREx: Cosmic History and Sky Survey</li> <li>• PUNCH: 3D study of the Sun's corona and heliosphere</li> <li>• Aids in space weather forecasting</li> </ul>
<b>NASA 's lunar mission 'Athena'</b>	26 February 2025 (Launch)	Falcon-9	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Landing on March 6, 2025</li> <li>• Study of the South Polar Region</li> <li>• Under CLPS Programme</li> </ul>

## Miscellaneous

caption	Key Points
<b>Indian astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla returns from ISS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla completed an 18-day space mission under the Axiom-4 mission.</li> <li>• Safe return to the Pacific Ocean near San Diego on July 15, 2025 aboard the SpaceX Dragon capsule.</li> <li>• The second Indian to go to space after Rakesh Sharma.</li> <li>• First Indian astronaut to go to the ISS.</li> <li>• The first Indian to spend 20 days and 3 hours in space.</li> <li>• Mission launched by a Falcon-9 rocket from Florida on 25 June 2025.</li> <li>• Conducted 7 India-centric scientific experiments on the ISS.</li> </ul>
<b>ISRO develops Vikram 3201 and Kalpana 3201 microprocessors</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Two 32-bit microprocessors developed by ISRO and SCL, Chandigarh.</li> <li>• Vikram 3201: India's first fully indigenous 32-bit processor.</li> <li>• Design for harsh conditions of launch vehicles.</li> <li>• Floating-point computation and high-level language support.</li> <li>• Spec 3201: SPARC V8 RISC based processor.</li> <li>• Based on the IEEE 1754 instruction set.</li> <li>• Open-source software toolset compatible.</li> </ul>
<b>Third Launch Pad (TLP) approved at Sriharikota</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approval by the Union Cabinet on 16th January 2025.</li> <li>• Location: Satish Dhawan Space Centre (SDSC), Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.</li> <li>• Designs for Next Generation Launch Vehicles (NGLVs).</li> <li>• Standby role for the second launch pad (SLP).</li> </ul>
<b>IN-SPACe-SIDBI Space Venture Capital Fund</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ₹ 1,000 crore fund launch by IN-SPACe and SIDBI.</li> <li>• Objective to empower the private space ecosystem.</li> <li>• Focus: Launch systems, satellites, payload construction.</li> <li>• In-Space Services, Earth Observation and Communication Technologies.</li> <li>• Startup and growth capital for space startups.</li> </ul>
<b>Assam State Satellite 'Assamsat'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Assam government announces its satellite 'Asamsat'.</li> <li>• Assam will become the first state in the country to have a satellite.</li> <li>• IN-SPACe 's collaboration in development.</li> <li>• Use in border surveillance, agriculture, disaster management.</li> <li>• Data for police operations and infrastructure development.</li> </ul>
<b>Technology Adoption Fund (TAF)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by IN-SPACe.</li> <li>• Funding for Space Startups and MSMEs.</li> <li>• Objective: To reduce import dependence.</li> <li>• Total amount: ₹500 crore.</li> <li>• Financial assistance up to 60% of the project cost.</li> <li>• 40% assistance for large industries.</li> <li>• Maximum ₹25 crore per project</li> </ul>
<b>FEAST Software</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by ISRO.</li> <li>• FEAST = Finite Element Analysis of Structure</li> <li>• Developed by Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC).</li> <li>• Indigenous finite element analysis software.</li> <li>• Use in aerospace, automobile, civil, mechanical sectors.</li> <li>• Also useful in marine engineering.</li> </ul>
<b>Indigenous semiconductor chip developed by IIT Madras for ISRO</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 'IRIS' (indigenous RISC-V controller) developed from 'Shakti' processors.</li> <li>• Useful in IoT and computing systems.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Collaboration between IISU unit of ISRO and IIT Madras.</li> <li>• Support under the 'Digital India RISC-V (DIR-V)' initiative.</li> </ul>
<b>Harbig-Haro Object HH 49/50 (Cosmic Tornado)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Rare photograph of the newly formed star from the James Webb Space Telescope.</li> <li>• Star formation began long before human civilization.</li> <li>• It can take 1–10 lakh years to fully develop.</li> <li>• The process of star formation so evident for the first time.</li> <li>• The structure was called the Harbig-Haro object HH 49/50.</li> <li>• Name 'Cosmic Tornado' due to the tornado-like shape.</li> <li>• Can be larger than the Sun when fully developed.</li> </ul>
<b>12 billion-year-old 'Alaknanda' galaxy discovered</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indian scientists Rashi Jain and Prof. Discovery by Yogesh Waddekar.</li> <li>• Spiral Galaxy.</li> <li>• Named after the Himalayan river 'Alaknanda'.</li> <li>• Discovery from NASA's James Webb Space Telescope.</li> <li>• The universe existed when it was 1.5 billion years old.</li> <li>• Located in the Abell 2744 cluster.</li> <li>• Starforming rate ~63 solar masses/year ( 20–30 times that of the Milky Way).</li> </ul>
<b>Superkilonova: Possible New Cosmic Explosion</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Possible discovery by scientists from IIT Bombay and IIA Bengaluru.</li> <li>• More powerful than normal kilonova.</li> <li>• Heavy elements (gold, platinum) are formed by the merger of neutron stars.</li> <li>• Their decay produces light and infrared radiation.</li> <li>• Two neutron stars are formed from supernovae.</li> <li>• Subsequent merger of neutron stars → kilonovae.</li> <li>• Properties of both supernovae and kilonovae.</li> <li>• Intense gravitational waves and powerful electromagnetic radiation.</li> </ul>
<b>Discovery of Uranus' new moon</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discovery by the James Webb Space Telescope on February 2, 2025.</li> <li>• Uranus' 29th moon: S/2025 U1.</li> <li>• Approximately 10 km in diameter.</li> <li>• Orbit at a distance of ~56,000 km from Uranus.</li> <li>• Located between Ophelia and Bianca.</li> <li>• Didn't show up during Voyager 2 (1986).</li> </ul>
<b>The Universe's Largest Black Hole ('Cosmic Horse')</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Claims to have discovered the most massive black hole ever discovered by scientists.</li> <li>• Located in the center of the Galaxy.</li> <li>• Horseshoe-like shape from gravitational lensing.</li> <li>• Name: 'Cosmic Horse'.</li> <li>• Mass equivalent to ~36.3 billion Suns.</li> <li>• ~5 billion light-years away from Earth.</li> </ul>
<b>DST-DRDO Agreement: Strengthening Space Surveillance</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Agreement between DST and DRDO on 13th May 2025.</li> <li>• Location: ARIES (Nainital) and IRDE (Dehradun).</li> <li>• Objective: To strengthen land-based SSA .</li> <li>• Use of ARIES facilities to monitor space objects.</li> <li>• Joint development of electro-optics based systems.</li> <li>• AI-ML based image processing and data analysis.</li> <li>• Knowledge sharing and promotion of joint R&amp;D .</li> </ul>
<b>Discovery of the Most Energetic Neutrinos</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discovery from the KM3NeT observatory (Mediterranean).</li> <li>• 30 times more energetic than any particle ever seen.</li> <li>• 10,000 times more powerful than LHC particles.</li> <li>• KM3NeT: European Neutrino Research Facility.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Identification of distant sources and atmospheric neutrinos.</li> <li>• Neutrino Observatory of India: Pottipuram (Tamil Nadu).</li> <li>• Neutrinos: Nearly massless, electro-neutral particles.</li> <li>• These are called 'ghost particles'.</li> </ul>
<b>Majorana-1 Quantum Chip</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by Microsoft.</li> <li>• World's first topological core-based quantum chip.</li> <li>• Use of topological superconductors (topoconductors).</li> <li>• Made from indium arsenide and aluminum.</li> <li>• Improving quantum stability and performance.</li> <li>• 8 qubits, but scalable up to 1 million qubits.</li> </ul>

## Defense Technology

### Warships/Ships/Vehicles of the Navy

caption	Key Points
<b>First Indigenous Diving Support Craft (DSC A20)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioning at Kochi Naval Base.</li> <li>• For diving operations in coastal and harbour areas.</li> <li>• Usage: Underwater repair, inspection, harbor cleaning.</li> <li>• Catamaran ship with a displacement of ~390 tons.</li> </ul>
<b>INSV Kaundinya (Historic Naval Vessel)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 29 December 2025: Historic journey from Porbandar to Muscat.</li> <li>• Construction without metal nails/screws.</li> <li>• 2,000-year-old Stitched-Planck technique.</li> <li>• Design inspired by the Ajanta Caves (5th century).</li> </ul>
<b>Anti-Submarine Shallow Water Craft 'Anjadeep'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Joined the Navy on 22 December 2025.</li> <li>• Made by GRSE, 80%+ indigenous content.</li> <li>• Role: Coastal Surveillance, ASW, Mine Laing.</li> <li>• Length~77m, waterjet propulsion.</li> </ul>
<b>ICG patrol vessel 'invaluable'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Incorporated in Goa on 19th December 2025.</li> <li>• Third in 8 new generation fast petrol vessels.</li> <li>• Other: Indomitable, lettered.</li> <li>• Complete indigenous production by GSL.</li> </ul>
<b>MH-60R Helicopter Squadron (INAS 335 – Osprey)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioned at INS Hansa, Goa on 17 December 2025.</li> <li>• The second MH-60R squadron of the Indian Navy.</li> <li>• Advanced sensors, avionics and weapons.</li> <li>• Capable of dealing with conventional and asymmetric threats.</li> </ul>
<b>First Mahe-class ASW Shallow Water Craft</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Inclusion of 'Mahe' on 24th November 2025.</li> <li>• 80%+ indigenous content.</li> <li>• Developed as "Silent Hunter" in coastal areas.</li> <li>• Important in the security of the western seaboard.</li> </ul>
<b>Indigenous Survey Vessel 'Ikshak'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioned at Kochi on 6 November 2025.</li> <li>• Third ship of Survey Vessel (Major) Class.</li> <li>• Manufactured by GRSE, 80%+ indigenous components.</li> <li>• Multi-beam sonar, equipped with AUVs.</li> <li>• Designed for HADR, the ability to convert into a hospital vessel.</li> <li>• First Survey Vessel with separate accommodation for women officers.</li> </ul>
<b>INS Mahe (ASW warship)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Joined the Navy on 23 October 2025.</li> <li>• First vessel of the ASW-SWC series built by Cochin Shipyard.</li> <li>• Length ~78m, displacement ~1,100 tons.</li> <li>• Sonar, radar, torpedoes, ASW rockets.</li> <li>• Capable of ASW, LIMO, coastal mine laying.</li> </ul>
<b>ICGS Ajit and ICGS Aparajith</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioned on 24 October 2025. • 7th &amp; 8th FPV produced by GSL.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Length 52 meters, displacement 320 tons.</li> <li>• CPP propulsion system.</li> <li>• Usage: Coastal Monitoring, Fisheries Protection, SAR.</li> </ul>
<b>INS Androth</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Joined the Navy on 6 October 2025.</li> <li>• Second ASW Shallow Water Craft.</li> <li>• 77 meters long, diesel-waterjet combination.</li> <li>• Equipped with light torpedoes and ASW rockets.</li> <li>• Name: From Androth Island in Lakshadweep.</li> </ul>
<b>ICGS Akshar (Fast Patrol Vessel)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Second Fast Patrol Vessel of the 'Indomitable' class; Commission at Karaikal (Puducherry).</li> <li>• Manufacturer: Goa Shipyard Limited (GSL); ~60% indigenous equipment.</li> <li>• 51 m, ~320 tons; 2×3000 kW diesel engine.</li> <li>• Speed: 27 knots; Range: 1,500 nautical miles.</li> <li>• Role: Maritime Surveillance, Coastal Security, Law Enforcement.</li> </ul>
<b>INS Aravalli (Digital/Communication Infrastructure)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched at Gurugram on 12th September 2025.</li> <li>- To enhance the Navy's digital infrastructure; Functions as a communication and information center.</li> <li>• Improved command, control, maritime surveillance and operational coordination.</li> </ul>
<b>ACTCM Barge LSAM 25 Launch</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 8 September 2025: 11th ACTCM Barge LSAM-25 (Yard 135) launched at Thane.</li> <li>• Usage: Logistic support/handling of ammunition, torpedoes, missiles.</li> </ul>
<b>Project 17A: Two stealth frigates (INS Udaygiri F35 and INS Himgiri F34)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 26 August 2025: Both commissions in Visakhapatnam.</li> <li>• INS Udayagiri: Built, MDL (Mumbai); Delivered on 1 July 2025.</li> <li>• INS Himgiri: Built by GRSE (Kolkata).</li> <li>• ~6,700 tons; Stealth Sleek Design; Diesel + gas turbine propulsion.</li> </ul>
<b>'Himgiri' (Project 17A) – GRSE's first P-17A ship</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 31 July 2025: GRSE handed over to the Navy.</li> <li>• One of the 7 Nilgiri-class P-17A frigates; ~75% indigenous.</li> <li>• CODOG propulsion; Modern weapons/sensors; 2 Helicopter capacity.</li> <li>• Radar: AESA and 'Indra' surveillance radars (according to text).</li> </ul>
<b>INS Nistar – the first indigenously built vessel Diving Support Vessel (DSV)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 18 July 2025: Handed over to the Navy at Visakhapatnam; Manufacturer: HSL.</li> <li>• 118 meters, ~10,000 tons; ~75% indigenous.</li> <li>• Diving: 300m (with ROV); 75m (side diving stage).</li> <li>• Role: Rescue/Diving Assistance in Submarine Accidents; ROV and DSRV operations.</li> <li>• DSRV: up to 650m; 16 rescues at a time; 10 hours of operation.</li> </ul>
<b>INS Ajay (Arnala Class ASW-SWC) – 8th &amp; Final</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 21 July 2025: Launch at GRSE, Kolkata.</li> <li>• 80%+ Indigenous; ASW will increase capacity in coastal waters.</li> <li>• 77.6m × 10.5m; ~1,500 tons; Diesel + Waterjet.</li> <li>• Mission: ASW, Underwater Surveillance, SAR, Mine Laying, P-8I Coordination.</li> <li>• Weapons: RBU-6000, torpedoes; 30mm gun + 2×12.7mm remote gun.</li> </ul>
<b>INS Tamal (F71) – Tushiel-class stealth multi-role frigate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 1 July 2025: Commissioning at the Yantar Shipyard (Kaliningrad) in Russia.</li> <li>• 8th stealth multi-role frigate of project 1135.6; The second of the Tushila-series.</li> <li>• First: INS Tushila (9 December 2024); The last major warship built abroad (according to the text).</li> <li>• 125m, 3,900 tons; NBC Defense Systems.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 4D warfare capability: air/surface/anti-submarine/electronic warfare.</li> </ul>
<b>INS Udaygiri (Yard 12652) – Project 17A stealth frigate</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Delivered to the Navy on 1 July 2025; The second stealth frigate under Project 17A.</li> <li>• Project 17A = Upgraded version of the Shivalik category (Project 17); Design: Warship Design Bureau (Navy).</li> <li>• Construction: 7 frigates (MDL+GRSE); Udayagiri is his second. • For blue-water (deep-sea) expeditions; Capable of dealing with traditional and non-conventional threats.</li> <li>• Advanced stealth design + MR-SAM deployed.</li> </ul>
<b>'Samudra Prachet' – Second Indigenous Pollution Control Vessel (PCV)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch for ICG by GSL on 23 July 2025.</li> <li>• 114.5 meters, 4,170 tons.</li> <li>• Two special arms + advanced radars: Oil spill collection from moving ships and identification of pollution spots.</li> </ul>
<b>INS Arnala – India's first ASW Shallow Water Craft (ASW-SWC)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Commissioned at Visakhapatnam on 18 June 2025.</li> <li>• Name: Inspired by the Arnala Fort in Maharashtra. • 77.6 meters, 1,490 tons; Diesel engine–waterjet propulsion.</li> <li>• To identify/monitor/neutralize enemy submarines in shallow waters; The first of 16 ASW-SWC ships.</li> <li>• Construction: GRSE + L&amp;T (PPP model).</li> </ul>
<b>Fast Patrol Vessel 'Achal' (ICG)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch of GSL built 'Achal' in Goa on 16 June 2025.</li> <li>• 8th vessel of the 5th FPVs series. • 52m × 8m; 320 tons; CPP propulsion.</li> <li>• Maximum speed: 27 knots.</li> </ul>
<b>First Arnala Class Ship Delivered to Navy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On 8th May 2025, the first Arnala class ASW-SWC was handed over at L&amp;T Kattupalli.</li> <li>• Total 16 ships: 8 (Cochin Shipyard—Mahé Class) + 8 (GRSE—Arnala Class).</li> <li>• First 5 Mahe class vessels: Mahe, Malvan, Mangrol, Malpe, Mulki.</li> <li>• Arnala range (under construction): Androth, Anjadeep, Amini, Agri, Akshay.</li> <li>• Objective: ASW in shallow coastal waters ; Replacement of Abbey-class corvette.</li> </ul>
<b>First Pollution Control Vessel 'Samudra Pratap' (ICG)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ICG 's first PCV; Formally assigned to the GSL.</li> <li>• Weapons: 30mm CRN-91 + 2×12.7mm remote gun (including fire control system).</li> <li>• DPS, retractable stern thruster. • Pollution control: flush type side sweeping arms; High-capacity outdoor fire-fighting; Reaction bots.</li> <li>• 60%+ indigenous components.</li> </ul>
<b>DRDO's MP-AUV (Man-Portable Autonomous Underwater Vehicle)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed for real-time detection of objects like mines/landmines.</li> <li>• Multi-AUV systems: side-scan sonar, high-end cameras, deep-learning detection algorithms.</li> <li>• Target automatic identification—reducing operator workload and mission time.</li> <li>• Development: DRDO-NSTL, Visakhapatnam.</li> <li>• Team-coordination from underwater acoustic communication.</li> </ul>
<b>Tata-made Spanish 'Lanza-N' 3D Air Surveillance Radar</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Indian Navy commissioned the first Lanza-N 3D radar.</li> <li>• Naval version of Spain's Lanza 3D; TASL made it in India under a \$145M deal of 2020.</li> <li>• Range: 9–474 km; Altitude Coverage: 1,00,000 feet.</li> <li>• Rotation: 1 rotation every 10 seconds—continuous monitoring.</li> <li>• Modified according to the heat/humidity of the IOR; • Early warning for aircraft/drones/missiles.</li> </ul>
<b>'Samudra Pradakshina' Expedition (Women's Tri-</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Virtual launch from Mumbai (Gateway of India) on 11 September 2025—Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Service Sailing Circumnavigation)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World's first all-women tri-service sailing circumnavigation expedition.</li> <li>• Leadership: Lt Col Anuja Varudkar; 10 women officers of Thal-nau-Vayu .</li> <li>• Vessel: IASV Triveni (50-foot Class-A; Indigenous Construction in Puducherry).</li> <li>• Duration: ~9 months; Distance: ~26,000 nautical miles; Back by May 2026.</li> </ul>
<p><b>6 AIP Submarines from Germany – Project 75 (India)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Approval for construction of 6 submarines with AIP technology with Thyssenkrupp Marine Systems .</li> <li>• Estimated cost: ~₹70,000 crore.</li> <li>• Construction: Under 'Project 75 India' at MDL.</li> <li>- Objective: To develop indigenous capability in the design and construction of conventional submarines.</li> </ul>
<p><b>First indigenous hovercraft built for ICG</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Goa's Chowgule &amp; Co. Pvt. Ltd. Start construction in; Under Make in India/Atmanirbhar Bharat.</li> <li>• Ministry of Defence awarded a contract for 6 hovercraft;</li> <li>• Usage: patrol, rescue, quick response in hard-to-reach/swampy/snowy areas; Able to walk on land-water-ice (air-cushion).</li> </ul>
<p><b>India's First Polar Research Vessel (PRV)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• GRSE+ will become India's first PRV in collaboration with Norway's Kongsberg.</li> <li>• 3 June 2025: MoU (in the presence of Union Minister Sarbananda Sonowal).</li> <li>• Construction under the guidance of NCPOR; Support for Arctic/Antarctic expeditions.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Interoperable Sonobie for Navy (India-US Cooperation)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• साझेदारी: Ultra Maritime (US) + BDL (India)</li> <li>• under the iCET (May 2022) initiative; Advanced sonobee technology optimized for the Indian Ocean will be developed.</li> <li>• Significance: Deep-sea submarine tracking capability will increase.</li> </ul>
<p><b>INS Tavyasa (Project 1135.6 Follow-on Stealth Frigate)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 22 March 2025: Launch in GSL; The second stealth frigate of Project 1135.6 follow-on.</li> <li>• Name: Inspired by Bhima's mace 'Tavyasa'.</li> <li>• Design for multi-domain operation (surface/submarine/air).</li> <li>• Specification: 124.8m length, 15.2m width, 4.5m draft; Speed 28 knots; Displacement &gt;3600 tons.</li> </ul>
<p><b>INS Tamal (Russian-made stealth guided missile frigate)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Induction planned by June 2025.</li> <li>• Built at Yantar Shipyard in Russia; under the 2016 India–Russia deal (Talwar-class/3rd batch reference).</li> <li>• INS Tushil (9 December 2024) the first Russian-built frigate.</li> <li>• Tamal: speed 30 knots, displacement 3900 tons, operational range ~3000km /mission.</li> </ul>
<p><b>INS Nilgiri, INS Vaghsheer, INS Surat Commissioned</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• INS Surat: P15B Guided Missile Destroyer; 4th and final of the project;Network-centric, multi-threat.</li> <li>• INS Nilgiri: First stealth frigate of P17A; Warship Design Bureau Design; Capable of ASW/Surface missions.</li> <li>• INS Vaghsheer: 6th and last submarine of P75 Scorpene ; French Naval Group Cooperation; Stealth, ISR/ASW/Anti-ship.</li> </ul>
<p><b>ICG 's FPVs: Invaluable and Renewable Launches</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Amulya &amp; Akshay FPVs launched in Goa; Indigenous to ICG by GSL.</li> <li>• 3rd &amp; 4th vessel in the 8 FPVs series.</li> <li>• First 2: Indomitable and Letters – Launch in October 2024.</li> </ul>
<p><b>'Utkarsh' Multi-Purpose Vessel (L&amp;T Kattupalli)</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 13th January 2025: Launched at L&amp;T Kattupalli (Chennai); second of 2 multi-purpose vessels.</li> <li>• 25 March 2022: Ministry of Defence–L&amp;T agreement.</li> <li>• Maximum speed: 15 knots.</li> <li>- Role: Towing, Target Launch/Recovery, Operation of Unmanned Autonomous Vehicles, Test Platform for Indigenous Weapons.</li> </ul>

## Successful Test by India

System/ test	Key Points
<b>DRDO 's High-Speed Rocket-Sled Test</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Successful flight test of Fighter Aircraft Escape System on 2 December 2025.</li> <li>• Location: TBRL, Chandigarh (in collaboration with ADA &amp; HAL).</li> <li>• Dual-sled setup, controlled projection of the LCA façade.</li> <li>• Canopy break-up, ejection sequence and confirmation of safety standards with instrumented dummies.</li> <li>• India is among the select countries to have this indigenous testing capability.</li> </ul>
<b>Akash-NG Missile Defence System</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful trial at 23rd December 2025, ITR Chandipur (Odisha).</li> <li>• Range 80 km, altitude 20 km; Fighter jets, cruise missiles, drones/UAVs targeted.</li> <li>• Ability to have up to 10 targets (saturation attacks) simultaneously.</li> <li>• Speed Mach 2.5; Multi-function radar (120 km surveillance).</li> <li>• Development: DRDO, Construction: BDL.</li> </ul>
<b>K-4 ballistic missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Successful test firing from INS Arihant in Bay of Bengal.</li> <li>• Range about 3,500 km; Nuclear-capable SLBM.</li> <li>• अन्य नाम: कलाम-4।</li> <li>• Two-stage solid fuel, ~2 tons payload, advanced navigation.</li> </ul>
<b>Pinaka LRGR-120 guided rocket</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 29th December 2025, First successful test at ITR Chandipur.</li> <li>• Maximum range 120 km.</li> <li>• Upgraded version of the Pinaka system.</li> </ul>
<b>Laser-Based Weapons (DEW)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful demonstration of the 30 kW Directed Energy Weapon.</li> <li>• Ability to neutralise fixed-wing aircraft, missiles and swarm drones.</li> <li>• India is the fourth country after the USA, Russia, China.</li> <li>• Development: DRDO-CHESS, Hyderabad; Field trial: Kurnool (AP).</li> </ul>
<b>Indigenous Combat Parachute System (MCPS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful test from 32,000 feet – Highest indigenous test till date.</li> <li>• See also: HAHO/HALO</li> <li>• Development: ADRDE (Agra) + DEBEL (Bengaluru).</li> <li>• Low descent speed, advanced steering, NavIC based navigation.</li> </ul>
<b>Rail-based Agni-Prime (Agni-P)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 24 September 2025, successful test in SFC collaboration.</li> <li>• Launch from a rail-based mobile launcher for the first time.</li> <li>• Range about 2000 km; Nuclear-enabled.</li> <li>• Advanced communication and security systems; A completely self-sustaining system.</li> </ul>

### Successful Test of Indigenous Integrated Air Defence Weapon System (IADWS)

- On 23rd August 2025, India successfully tested the flight flight of the indigenous IADWS for the first time under the Sudarshan Chakra.
- DRDO (Defence Research and Development Organisation) shot down three different targets (2 high-speed fixed-wing drones and 1 multicopter drone) during this test.
- **Purpose:** To provide a protective shield against drones and air attacks coming from multiple directions.
- The system is completely based on indigenous technology.
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi had announced the Sudarshan Chakra Mission in his speech on August 15.

#### 'Sudarshan Chakra' National Security System

- It is the indigenous national security system (air defense system).
- It is being made by the Defense Research and Development Organization (DRDO) and ISRO.

- Its purpose is to protect the country from air strikes, missiles and drones.

**Components of Multilevel Air Defense System:**

1. Quick Reaction Surface to Air Missile (QRSAM)
2. Very Short Range Air Defense System (VSHORADS)
3. Laser-Based Direct Energy Weapon (DEW)

QRSAM	VSHORADS	Direct Energy Weapon (DEW)
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Range: 30km</li> <li>• Speed: Mach 4.7 (approx. 5758 km/h)</li> <li>• Targets: Drones, helicopters and cruise missiles</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Range: 6–7km</li> <li>• Speed: Approximately 1800 km/h</li> <li>• Feature: Portable, suitable for low-flying targets</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Type: Laser Gun</li> <li>• Usage: Extremely effective against swarms of drones and small targets</li> </ul>

- Together, these three form a strong protective shield to counter multiple drone attacks.

**Methodology**

1. **Radar Unit:** Detects and classifies incoming threats.
2. **Command Center:** Activates the weapon system according to the type of threat.

For targets with high speed and altitude	QRSAM
For low altitude and slow-motion targets	VSHORADS
Drones for swarms or other targets	Laser-Based DEW

**Key Features of Sudarshan Chakra System**

- **Capability:** Interception up to an altitude of 150 km and the ability to destroy missiles at a distance of up to 2500 km.
- Artificial intelligence and laser-guided systems.
- Ground-based and space-based hybrid structures (satellite and radar networks).
- Speed: Missile launch up to 5 km/s.
- Targets: ballistic missiles, cruise missiles and hypersonic weapons.
- The estimated cost is around ₹50,000 crore.

System/ test	Key Points
<b>Agni-5 ICBM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first intercontinental ballistic missile.</li> <li>• Range: 5000+ km. • Equipped with MIRV technology. • Speed: Mach 24.</li> <li>• Canisterized launch, mobile deployment.</li> <li>• Nuclear and conventional warhead capable.</li> </ul>
<b>ERASR Test from INS Kavaratti</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extended Range Anti-Submarine Rocket (ERASR) का सफल परीक्षण।</li> <li>• Range: 500 m – 8.9 km. • Two-stage motor, equipped with depth charge.</li> <li>• विकास: ARDE + HEMRL + NSTL (DRDO)।</li> <li>• निर्माण: BDL (PSU) + Solar Defence (Private)।</li> </ul>
<b>ET-LDHCM hypersonic cruise missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• पूरा नाम: Extended Trajectory – Long Duration Hypersonic Cruise Missile।</li> <li>• Project: Project Vishnu</li> <li>• Speed: Mach 8, Range: ~1500 km.</li> <li>• Scramjet engine based.</li> <li>• ~3 times faster than BrahMos .</li> </ul>

<b>Aakash Prime Test in Ladakh</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Elevation: 15,000 feet.</li> <li>• Destroyed 2 high-speed air targets.</li> <li>• Design for high-altitude battlefields.</li> <li>• Equipped with indigenous RF seeker.</li> </ul>
<b>Akash Missile System (General)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Surface-to-air missile systems.</li> <li>• Targets: aircraft, drones, helicopters, cruise missiles.</li> <li>• One battery: Rajendra 3D radar + 4 launchers + 3 missiles.</li> <li>• Track 64 targets, the ability to penetrate 12 simultaneously.</li> </ul>
<b>Astra BVRAAM missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful test run by DRDO+ Indian Air Force off Odisha coast.</li> <li>• Launch from Sukhoi-30 MKI.</li> <li>• Destroyed two high-speed unmanned aerial targets.</li> <li>• Equipped with Indigenous Radio Frequency (RF) Seeker (90%+ success rate).</li> </ul>
<b>K-6 hypersonic ballistic missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Submarine-launched Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (SLBM).</li> <li>• Range: ~8,000 km.</li> <li>• Speed: Mach 7.5 (~9,200 km/h).</li> <li>• MIRV technology, 2–3 tons payload. • Solid fuel, 3-stage system.</li> </ul>
<b>Prithvi-II Missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Trial: Chandipur (Odisha).</li> <li>• Range: 250–350 km.</li> <li>• Liquid fuel based.</li> <li>• 500 kg warhead, nuclear + conventional capable.</li> </ul>
<b>Agni-I missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Medium-range ballistic missiles. • Range: 700–900 km. • Solid fuel based.</li> <li>• 1,000kg Payload capacity.</li> </ul>
<b>ULPGM-V3 (drone-launched missile)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful test of missile launch from UAV (Kurnool, NOAR).</li> <li>• Fire-and-Forget मोडा</li> <li>• Imaging IR seeker, passive homing.</li> <li>• Weight: 12.5 kg.</li> </ul>
<b>Multi-Influence Ground Mine (MIGM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful test on May 5, 2025.</li> <li>• Modern underwater naval mine.</li> <li>• Effective from shallow coast to deep sea.</li> </ul>
<b>'Gaurav' Glide Bomb (LRGB)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Tests from the SU-30 MKI (8–10 April 2025).</li> <li>• Range: ~100km, Weight: 1,000kg.</li> <li>• High accuracy, various warhead combinations.</li> </ul>
<b>Stratospheric Airship Platform</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First successful flight: 3 May 2025 (Sheopur, MP).</li> <li>• Altitude: ~17 km.</li> <li>• For ISR and Earth Observation.</li> <li>• Cheaper than satellite, more durable than drones.</li> </ul>
<b>Scramjet Combuster Test</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ground Test of 1,000+ seconds on 25th April 2025.</li> <li>• Active cooled scramjet sub-scale combuster.</li> <li>• Hypersonic cruise missile critical to missile development.</li> <li>• Mach 5+ speed technology base.</li> </ul>
<b>FPV (First-Person View) Kamikaze Drone</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Successful test run by Fleur-de-Lys Brigade of Indian Army on 28 March 2025.</li> <li>• Role: Kamikaze anti-tank weapon.</li> <li>• Test Site: Pathankot, Punjab.</li> <li>• Developed in collaboration with DRDO's TBRL, Chandigarh .</li> </ul>
<b>Astra missile from Tejas (LCA AF Mk-1)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Successful test run by ADA from Tejas Mk-1 prototype.</li> <li>• Test Site: Chandipur, Odisha.</li> <li>• Range: 100+ km. • Already inducted into IAF.</li> <li>- Stuart (talk) 17:00, 15 January 2010 (UTC)</li> </ul>
<b>VL-SRSAM missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful test by DRDO+ Indian Navy.</li> <li>• Launch from a land-based vertical launcher.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Destroyed high-speed targets flying at low altitudes. • Fully Indigenous.</li> <li>• 360° Air Protection.</li> <li>• Targets: fighters, helicopters, UAVs, sea-skimming missiles.</li> <li>• Active Radar Homing Technology.</li> </ul>
<b>Bhargavastra Anti-Drone Micro-Missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first indigenous counter-drone micro-missile system.</li> <li>• Two successful trials: GSFR, Gopalpur (Odisha).</li> <li>• Development: Economic Explosives Ltd (Solar Industries Group).</li> <li>• Micro-missile range: 2.5 km+.</li> <li>• Drone Detection: 6 km+.</li> <li>• Ability to launch 64+ micro-missiles simultaneously.</li> </ul>
<b>Nag Mk-2 anti-tank missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful field trial on 14th January 2025.</li> <li>• Test Site: Pokhran Field Range.</li> <li>• Third-generation Fire-and-Forget ATGM.</li> <li>• Design against modern armored tanks.</li> <li>• Target lock-on feature before launch.</li> <li>• Indigenous development by DRDO.</li> </ul>

## Global Missile/Weapon Systems

System/ country	Important Points
<b>Dark Eagle (LRHW) – USA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Non-nuclear, land-launched hypersonic missile systems.</li> <li>• Joint program of the U.S. Army + Navy.</li> <li>• Development: Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman.</li> <li>• Range: ~2,735 km</li> </ul>
<b>Minutemen-III (LGM-30G) – USA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Intercontinental Nuclear Ballistic Missiles (ICBMs).</li> <li>• Test: 5 November 2025 (Glory Trip-254).</li> <li>• Range: 10,000–13,000 km.</li> <li>• 3-stage solid fuel.</li> <li>• Land-based pillars of the US Nuclear Triad.</li> </ul>
<b>Khabarovsk nuclear submarine – Russia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New generation nuclear-powered tactical submarine.</li> <li>• Design: Rubin Design Bureau</li> <li>• Development: Sevmash Shipyard</li> <li>• Capable of carrying Poseidon nuclear drones.</li> <li>• Strengthening Russia's strategic nuclear power.</li> </ul>
<b>Burevstnik (SSC-X-9 Skyfall) – Russia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• World's first nuclear-powered cruise missile.</li> <li>• Test: 21 October 2025.</li> <li>• Flight Duration: ~15 hours</li> </ul>
<b>Poseidon nuclear drone – Russia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nuclear-powered, nuclear-armed AUV</li> <li>• Known as the "Doomsday Weapon".</li> <li>• Capable of generating radioactive tsunamis.</li> <li>• Claims a warhead even more powerful than a Sarmat ICBM.</li> <li>• Operate at extreme depth and speed.</li> </ul>
<b>Hwasong-20 – North Korea</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• North Korea's most powerful nuclear missile.</li> <li>• Solid fuel based → quick launch.</li> <li>• Long-range nuclear strike capability.</li> <li>• The key weapon of strategic nuclear deterrence.</li> </ul>
<b>Hyunmoo-5 – South Korea</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Known as the "Monster Missile".</li> <li>• Land-to-land ballistic missiles.</li> <li>• Weight: ~36 tons</li> </ul>
<b>Ghost Shark (XL-AUV) – Australia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AI-based extra-large unmanned submarines. • Bus-shaped, fluidized interior.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ISR, surveillance and attack missions.</li> <li>• Controlled by AI-Lattice systems.</li> <li>• Cheaper than manned submarines.</li> </ul>
<b>MQ-28A "Ghost Bat" – Australia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Australia's first indigenous military aircraft.</li> <li>• Developed in collaboration with Boeing.</li> <li>• "Robot Wingman" concept.</li> <li>• Length: 38 feet</li> </ul>

## Agreements

<b>MoU non-aggression pact</b>	<b>Related Aspects</b>	<b>an account</b>
<b>HAL-GE engine deal</b>	HAL – GE Aerospace (USA)	₹5,375 crore deal; 113 F404-IN20 engines; Uses in Tejas Mk-1A; IAF's fighter capability and strengthening indigenous aerospace
<b>India-Vietnam Submarine Rescue MoA</b>	India – Vietnam	15th Defence Policy Dialogue, Hanoi; Submarine Search and Rescue Cooperation; Prompt assistance in emergencies; LoI for Defence Production and Technical Cooperation
<b>LPD Construction Agreement</b>	MDL – Swan Defence & Heavy Industries	28 October 2025, India Maritime Week; joint design and manufacture of LPDs; Amphibious Operation, HADR and Power Projection
<b>Crew-Centric Warship Design MoU</b>	IIT Delhi – Indian Navy (DNA)	16 October 2025; Research Center for QoL Reform; Ergonomics, safety, efficiency and comparison with international standards
<b>SSLV Technology Transfer Agreement</b>	NSIL – ISRO – IN-SPACe – HAL	commercialization of small satellite launches; Aims to increase India's share in the global small-set market
<b>India-Spain Radar Agreement</b>	India – Spain – TASL	2020 \$145 million deal; 3 radar imports; integration of 20 radars into India; TASL's AIT Feature
<b>India Optel-Safran Defence Cooperation</b>	India Optel Ltd – Safran (France)	Indigenous construction of SIGMA-30N INS and CM3-MR site; Artillery, Air Defence, Missile and Anti-Drone Applications
<b>India-Brazil-MDL Tripartite MoU</b>	Indian Navy – Brazilian Navy – MDL	maintenance of Scorpene submarines; Life-cycle support; Technical & Operational Experience Sharing
<b>CQB Carbine and Heavy Torpedo Contract</b>	Ministry of Defence – Indian Army/Navy	₹4,666 crore; 4.25 lakh CQB carbines; 48 heavy-weight torpedoes (delivered 2028-2030)
<b>UAV Manufacturing Partnership</b>	Viman Ltd (RRP Defence) – CYGR	UAV manufacturing hub in Navi Mumbai; Hand-launched drones, nano drones and ISR UAVs
<b>Rafale Marine (Rafale-M) deal</b>	India – France	28 April 2025; 26 Rafale-M (22 Single + 4 Trainers); ₹63,000 crore; Delivery 2028-2032; Nuclear Capability
<b>Project 1135.6 Defense Cooperation</b>	India – Russia	2016 agreement; 4 stealth frigates; 2 in Russia, 2 in India (GSL); INS Tavasya Last Ship

## Airforce

caption	Key Points
<b>Tejas LCA Mk-1A fighter aircraft launched</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The first HAL (Nashik) built Tejas Mk-1A made its maiden flight on 17 October 2025.</li> <li>• Developed to replace the MiG-21 fleet.</li> <li>• Improved avionics, IFR capability and advanced electronic systems.</li> <li>• 4.5th generation multi-role fighter, maximum speed Mach 1.8.</li> </ul>
<b>12 Tejas Mk-1A inducted into IAF in 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• By the end of 2025, the IAF will receive 12 Tejas Mk-1A.</li> <li>• ₹48,000 crore contract for 83 aircraft in 2021.</li> <li>• Deal for a total of 180 aircraft (83 + 97). • MiG-21 will replace MiG-27 and Jaguar .</li> </ul>
<b>Approval for procurement of 97 LCA Tejas Mk-1A</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Estimated cost ₹62,000 crore.</li> <li>• Construction: HAL</li> <li>• Objective: Phasing out of old fighter aircraft.</li> </ul>
<b>MiG-21 retired from IAF</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Ceremonial farewell at Chandigarh on 26 September 2025.</li> <li>• Last squadron: 23 squadron "Panthers".</li> </ul>
<b>Israel' s purchase of Rampage air-to-ground missile</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Procurement through a fast-track process for the IAF.</li> <li>• Successful use in earlier counter-terrorism operations.</li> <li>• Range 150–250 km, speed Mach 2–3.</li> <li>• Launchable from multiple platforms, including the Su-30MKI.</li> </ul>
<b>IAF acquires C-295MW aircraft</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The 16th and last C-295 aircraft was received from Spain.</li> <li>• Out of the total 56 aircraft, 40 aircraft will be manufactured in India.</li> <li>• Will replace older Avro aircraft.</li> <li>• Usage: Transportation, disaster relief, medical evacuation.</li> </ul>
<b>Next Generation Fighter Jet Engine Manufacturing in India</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India-France Partnership, Safran Key Partner.</li> <li>• Estimated cost ₹61,000 crore. • 120 kN thrust engine will be developed.</li> <li>• Use in future AMCA fighter jets.</li> </ul>
<b>Indigenous AWACS (Netra Mk-II) Project</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• ₹20,000 crore project approval.</li> <li>• IAF will get 6 indigenous AWACS aircraft.</li> <li>• Developed by DRDO, on the Airbus A321 platform.</li> <li>• AESA radar with 360° coverage, test possible until 2029.</li> </ul>
<b>AMCA (5th Generation Indigenous Fighter Aircraft) Project Approved</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of the execution model of the AMCA program on 27 May 2025.</li> <li>• Objective: To include India among the 5th generation fighter jet manufacturing countries.</li> <li>• India's second indigenous fighter jet after LCA Tejas.</li> <li>• Design Agency: ADA (DRDO); The role of HAL in manufacturing.</li> </ul>
<b>Indo-French Jet Engine Joint Partnership (Safran)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Co-development and production between Safran Company of India and France.</li> <li>• Objective: To develop powerful indigenous engines for AMCA.</li> <li>• Cost: Approximately ₹15,000 crore.</li> <li>• Mark-1 (existing engine), Mark-2 (new 110 kN thrust engine).</li> <li>• DRDO-HAL-Safran partnership, complete technology transfer and local production.</li> </ul>
<b>C-130J Super Hercules MRO Centre in Bengaluru</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MRO facility set up in Bengaluru by TASL and Lockheed Martin.</li> <li>• Enhanced operational readiness and maintenance capability of IAF.</li> <li>• C-130J: multi-purpose military transport aircraft (Transport, HADR, Medivac).</li> <li>• India has a total of 12 C-130J aircraft.</li> </ul>

<b>Indigenous HANSA-3 NG training aircraft launched</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched on 29th November 2025 at CSIR-NL, Bengaluru.</li> <li>• India's first fully composite, two-seater trainer aircraft.</li> <li>• Will meet the growing national demand for pilot training.</li> <li>• ₹150 crore factory at Kuppam (Andhra Pradesh), capacity 100 aircraft/year.</li> </ul>
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## Defence equipment related to the Indian Army

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<b>New Combat Coat (Digital Print) – IPR Achieved</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Introduced by the Indian Army in January 2025.</li> <li>• Designed by NIFT Delhi and Army Design Bureau.</li> <li>• 3-layer garment: digital camouflage, insulation and thermal base layer.</li> <li>• Adapted to different climatic and strategic conditions.</li> </ul>
<b>'Infinite Weapons' Air Defense System (formerly QRSAM)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Procurement process of 6 Regiments by Indian Army commenced.</li> <li>• Manufacturer: Bharat Electronics Limited (BEL).</li> <li>• Objective: Protect against drone/aerial threats from Pakistan and China.</li> </ul>
<b>Indigenous 'SAKSHAM' Anti-Drone Grid</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• पूरा नाम: Situational Awareness for Kinetic Soft &amp; Hard Kill Assets Management.</li> <li>• Developed by BEL, Ghaziabad.</li> <li>• Real-time drone detection, tracking and neutralization.</li> <li>• Multi-sensor fusion, coverage up to 3,000 meters altitude.</li> </ul>
<b>Formation of 25 'Bhairav Battalion'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hybrid units between regular infantry and special forces.</li> <li>• Based on the "Lean and Mean" concept.</li> <li>• Each battalion has ~250 soldiers.</li> <li>• Quick response, counter-insurgency and cross-border missions.</li> </ul>
<b>'Lion' (AK-203) indigenous assault rifle</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on the AK-203 Kalashnikov, replacing the INSAS.</li> <li>• Construction: Amethi (Korwa Ordnance Factory).</li> <li>• India-Russia joint venture (50.5% India).</li> <li>• ~700 rounds/min.</li> </ul>
<b>Pinaka missile system with a range of 300 km</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Upgraded version of Pinaka MBRL.</li> <li>• Pinaka-3 (120 km), Pinaka-4 (300 km).</li> <li>• Developed by DRDO, completely indigenous.</li> <li>• Included in 3–5 years; 22 regiments deployed by 2030.</li> </ul>
<b>India's First Indigenous Autonomous Weapon System</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed by BSS Material Ltd, Dehradun.</li> <li>• AI-based machine guns, target identification and precision strikes without human intervention.</li> <li>• Equipped with Deep Learning, Swarm Robotics, EO Sensor Fusion.</li> <li>• Remote operation possible; The risk of soldiers will decrease.</li> <li>• India is among the select countries to develop AI weapons.</li> </ul>
<b>Igla-S air defense missile received from Russia</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Supply of modern Igla-S MANPADS from Russia.</li> <li>• Cost: ~₹260 crore; Deployment in border forward areas.</li> <li>• 6km range; Anti-aircraft, helicopters and drones.</li> <li>• Infrared homing, equipped with proximity fuse.</li> <li>• Extremely effective in drone warfare.</li> </ul>
<b>Trajan 155 mm towed artillery gun system</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India-France Joint Development (L&amp;T + KNDS).</li> <li>• Trials by the Indian Army.</li> <li>• Armenia decided to induct it into its army.</li> <li>• Export of other Indian weapons including Pinaka MBRL to Armenia.</li> </ul>
<b>'Sanjay' Battlefield Surveillance System (BSS)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by Raksha Mantri on 24 January 2025.</li> <li>• Integration of all ground and air sensor data.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Common operating picture from secure military networks and satellite communications.</li> <li>• Inputs to commands, HQs and decision-support systems.</li> <li>• Equipped with modern sensors and advanced analytics.</li> </ul>
<b>DRDO's New Missile Test Range (Nagailanka)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Laying of foundation stone by PM Modi on 2 April 2025.</li> <li>• Location: Nagayalanka, Krishna District (Andhra Pradesh).</li> <li>• Capable of testing interceptors and BMD Phase-2 missiles.</li> </ul>

## Technology

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<b>DHRUV64 – India's first indigenous 1.0 GHz microprocessor</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first fully indigenous 1.0 GHz, 64-bit dual-core microprocessor.</li> <li>• Developed by C-DAC under the Microprocessor Development Program (MDP).</li> <li>• 1.0 GHz clock speed and 64-bit dual-core architecture.</li> <li>• Capable of large data sets and complex computing tasks.</li> <li>• Usage: 5G, Automotive, Consumer Electronics, Industrial Automation, IoT.</li> </ul>
<b>China's 700 km/h maglev speed world record</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achieve a speed of 700 km/h with superconducting maglev technology .</li> <li>• Record in 2 seconds on the 400m test track .</li> <li>• Successful test of one tonne vehicle.</li> <li>• Experiment by the National University of Defense Technology, China.</li> <li>• Critical for hyperloop and aerospace launch systems.</li> </ul>
<b>Project Suncatcher</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Research initiatives launched by Google.</li> <li>• Testing the possibility of setting up an AI data center in space.</li> <li>• Based on solar energy based satellite constellations.</li> <li>• Benefit of continuous sunlight and minimal atmospheric damage.</li> <li>• 40% energy savings from vacuum based cooling.</li> <li>• 2 prototype satellite launches by early 2027.</li> <li>• Vast space network of AI hardware in the future.</li> </ul>
<b>The World's Most Powerful Hydrogen Fuel Train Engine</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed by Indian Railways.</li> <li>• The world's highest-horsepower hydrogen engine.</li> <li>• Power: 1,200 horsepower.</li> <li>• Trial: On Jind-Sonipat road in Haryana.</li> <li>• Other countries: Germany, France, Sweden, China (500–600 HP).</li> </ul>
<b>India's First Indigenous CAR T-Cell Therapy (NexCAR19)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by Prime Minister Narendra Modi in November 2025.</li> <li>• India's first home CAR T-cell therapy.</li> <li>• Collaboration of ImmunoACT, IIT Bombay, Tata Memorial Hospital, DBT, BIRAC.</li> <li>• For patients who failed chemotherapy/radiation.</li> </ul>
<b>Thorium-uranium fuel conversion for the first time</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Achievement in Thorium Molten Salt Reactor (TMSR) by China.</li> <li>• Announcement: 3 November 2025.</li> <li>• Location: Wuwei, Gansu Province.</li> <li>• Reactor: 2 MW TMSR-LF1.</li> <li>• Help in the utilization of huge thorium reserves.</li> <li>• Dependence on uranium will be reduced.</li> </ul>
<b>'Ironwood' TPU (Google)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Google 's 7th Generation Tensor Processing Unit</li> <li>• Design for AI and Machine Learning Models.</li> <li>• ASIC-based special-purpose chip.</li> <li>• Developed for high-performance AI computing.</li> </ul>

<p><b>BIRSA 101 – India's First CRISPR Gene Therapy</b></p>	<p>- Launched by Union Minister Dr Jitendra Singh on 19th November 2025.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first indigenous CRISPR based gene therapy.</li> <li>• Developed for the treatment of sickle cell disease.</li> <li>• The name is inspired by Bhagwan Birsa Munda.</li> <li>• Developed by CSIR-IGIB.</li> <li>• Technical Collaboration with Serum Institute of India.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Tata-Safran's new LEAP engine unit</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Partnership between TASL and France's Safran Aircraft Engines.</li> <li>• Location: Adibtala, Hyderabad (Telangana).</li> <li>• Located at Tata Centre of Excellence for Aero Engines.</li> <li>• Manufacture of rotating parts of CFM International's LEAP engine.</li> </ul>
<p><b>India's first indigenous driverless car – 'WIRIN'</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Jointly developed by Wipro and IISc.</li> <li>• WIRIN = Wipro-IISc Research and Innovation Network</li> <li>• Unveiling: Bengaluru.</li> </ul>
<p><b>'Groklopedia' launched by xAI</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by Elon Musk's company xAI.</li> <li>• AI-based online encyclopedia.</li> <li>• Presented as an alternative to Wikipedia.</li> <li>• Beta version v0.1</li> </ul>
<p><b>World's First 3D Wind Data Satellite Network</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Hong Kong-based Stellerus Technology's initiative.</li> <li>• Network Name: Feilian Constellation.</li> <li>• Inspired by the ancient Chinese wind god 'Feilian'.</li> <li>• 3D measurement of atmospheric dynamics at a global scale.</li> <li>• Accurate data on wind speed, direction and vertical flow.</li> <li>• Usage: renewable energy, aviation, disaster management, climate modeling.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Nvidia-Uber Partnership for Robotaxis</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nvidia and Uber's strategic partnership.</li> <li>• Target: 1 lakh autonomous robotaxi by 2027.</li> <li>• Level-4 automated driving technology.</li> <li>• Based on the Nvidia DRIVE AGX Hyperion 10 platform.</li> <li>• Nvidia: Will provide AI infrastructure.</li> <li>• Uber: Operations and network deployment.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Naphithromycin – India's first indigenous antibiotic</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first indigenous antibiotic.</li> <li>• Effective against drug-resistant respiratory infections.</li> <li>• Beneficial for cancer patients and uncontrolled diabetics.</li> <li>• Fully conceived, developed and tested in India.</li> <li>• Development in collaboration with DBT and Wockhardt Pharma.</li> </ul>
<p><b>'Secret Mountain'</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A.R. MetaHuman Digital Music Band Launched by Rahman and Google Cloud.</li> <li>• Project Name: 'Secret Mountain'.</li> <li>• A combination of AI, music, and story.</li> <li>• Focused on the virtual entertainment experience of the future.</li> <li>• Six digital avatars representing different cultures.</li> </ul>
<p><b>India's first indigenous semiconductor chip – 'Vikram 3201'</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by the central government on 2 September 2025.</li> <li>• 32-bit fully indigenous microprocessor.</li> <li>• Development in collaboration with VSSC at ISRO's Chandigarh laboratory.</li> <li>• Design for tough conditions like launch vehicles.</li> <li>• Successful test in the PSLV-C60 mission (2024).</li> </ul>
<p><b>World's First Sodium-Ion Based Portable Power Station</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed by China.</li> <li>• नाम: Pioneer</li> <li>• Company: Bluetti</li> <li>• Large rechargeable battery, both AC and DC output.</li> <li>• Sodium-ion technology in place of lithium-ion.</li> <li>• Able to charge at -15°C.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Functions smoothly up to <math>-25^{\circ}\text{C}</math>.</li> </ul>
<b>ISA license to India at Carlsberg Ridge</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The International Seabed Authority (ISA), the first global license to India from Jamaica.</li> <li>• For polymetallic sulphide (PMS) exploration in the Carlsberg Ridge of the Indian Ocean.</li> <li>• Carlsberg Ridge: Northwest Indian Ocean, Arabian Sea region.</li> <li>• Boundary of Indian and Arabian tectonic plates.</li> <li>• The application of the Afanasy-Nikitin Sea (ANS) field is pending.</li> </ul>
<b>AI Model 'Surya'</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launch by NASA and IBM to predict solar storms.</li> <li>• Trained on 9+ years of SDO data.</li> <li>• SDO takes multi-wavelength pictures of the Sun every 12 seconds.</li> <li>• Forecast of solar flare and CME <math>\sim 2</math> hours in advance.</li> </ul>
<b>Amazon's largest industrial robot network</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 10 Lakh+ robots active in fulfillment centers around the world.</li> <li>• The world's largest industrial robot fleet.</li> <li>• Announcement: "Delivering the Future" event, Tokyo.</li> <li>• New Generative AI Model: Deep Fleet</li> </ul>
<b>TiHAN - IIT Hyderabad's Electric AI Bus</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fully electric and driverless bus.</li> <li>• Autonomous operation, no driver required.</li> <li>• 6-seater and 14-seater variants.</li> <li>• Operations at IIT Hyderabad Campus.</li> </ul>
<b>CRIB – The World's New Blood Group</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Discovery in a woman from Kolar district of Karnataka.</li> <li>• नाम: CRIB (Cromer + India-Bangalore)।</li> <li>• New antigen for the Cromer blood group system.</li> <li>• Incompatible with normal O+ even if O is Rh+.</li> <li>• Blood was found to be "panreactive".</li> </ul>
<b>BSNL-NRL Partnership: Industry 4.0</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First 5G CNPN network at India's refinery</li> <li>• MoU between BSNL and Numaligarh Refinery Limited</li> <li>• Objective: Digital transformation of industrial operations.</li> <li>• Technologies: 5G CNPN, Digital Twins, IoT</li> </ul>
<b>China Creates Lightest Brain-Controlled Device for Bees</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• By scientists from the Beijing Institute of Technology.</li> <li>• The device weighs 74 milligrams—the world's lightest brain-controlling device.</li> <li>- Possibility of converting bees into 'cyborgs' for use in military/emergency missions.</li> <li>• More agile, durable, and able to hide than drones/robots.</li> <li>• Usage: covert military missions, counter-terrorist operations, narcotics search, disaster relief.</li> </ul>
<b>BioMu-1 (BioMolecular Emulator-1) Launch</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Microsoft launched a new AI system called BioMu-1.</li> <li>• Designed to study protein dynamics and speed up drug discovery.</li> <li>• Deep learning models; A GPU can generate thousands of protein structures per hour.</li> </ul>
<b>'Sherpa Mecha'— Humanoid Robot</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Indian startup Ati Motors developed an advanced robot called 'Sherpa Mecha'.</li> <li>• Usage: Industrial automation—assembly line, material handling, quality check (in the testing phase).</li> <li>• Invento Robotics' 'Mitra' Semi-Humanoid: Use in Healthcare and Hospitality.</li> </ul>
<b>India's first private satellite internet service</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approval of Ananth Technologies (Hyderabad) from IN-SPACe.</li> <li>• Service to start by 2028; Investment ₹3,000 crore.</li> <li>• Internet from a geo-stationary satellite weighing 4 tons; Speed 100 Gbps.</li> <li>• Geo-stationary satellite stationary at <math>\sim 35,000</math> km; Can cover the entire subcontinent.</li> </ul>

<p><b>Pregnancy with AI's 'STAR' technology</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Use of 'STAR' technology at Columbia University Fertility Center (USA).</li> <li>• The husband in the case had azoospermia (a rare condition).</li> <li>• AI discovered 3 live sperm, which was not possible with a normal microscope.</li> <li>• This is how IVF pregnancy was possible.</li> <li>• STAR: Scan with high-powered imaging by placing the semen on a special chip.</li> </ul>
<p><b>AMED API Launch</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• On July 2025, Google launched the AMED API for India's agriculture sector.</li> <li>• पूरा नाम: Agricultural Monitoring and Event Detection API</li> <li>• AI-powered open-source tool—real-time monitoring of farms/crops.</li> <li>• Objective: To make agriculture data-driven; • Increasing productivity/income through crop management.</li> </ul>
<p><b>'Cortem' - New malaria drug approved for newborns</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- 'Cortem' malaria drug developed by Novartis for infants/young children.</li> <li>• World's first malaria treatment for newborns/children under 5 years of age.</li> </ul>
<p><b>EdFalcivax – Indigenous Malaria Vaccine</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India is developing 'Edfalsivax' against Plasmodium falciparum.</li> <li>• Pre-clinical phase; Ability to prevent infection and reduce community spread.</li> <li>• Joint development by ICMR and NII.</li> </ul>
<p><b>India's first 'Carbon Fibre Foot Prosthesis'</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DRDO and AIIMS Bibinagar (Telangana) developed the country's first carbon fibre fake leg.</li> <li>• Can lift up to 125 kg; Quality comparable to foreign models.</li> <li>• Biomechanical testing complete; available in 3 variants.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Indian Railways Trials of Hydrogen Train</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Successful test of the country's first hydrogen train at ICF (Chennai) on 25 July 2025.</li> <li>• Coaches indigenously built; Move towards Green Energy/Clean Transportation.</li> <li>• Special use on un-electrified railroads.</li> <li>• A diesel train will be converted to hydrogen on the Jind-Sonipat route (piloted).</li> </ul>
<p><b>Starlink gets satellite internet license in India</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Starlink got the official license for satellite internet service in India.</li> <li>• Airtel is the third company after OneWeb and Jio Satellite Communications.</li> <li>• Service: High-speed, low-latency internet; LEO satellite network at ~550 km altitude.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Japan develops ocean-soluble plastic</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed a fully dissolved plastic in the salt water of the ocean.</li> <li>• Does not leave harmful residues.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Gold Nano-cup-based therapy for cancer treatment</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cancer treatment technology by photothermal therapy (PTT) from gold nano-cups.</li> <li>• PEGylated semi-shells absorb NIR light and generate heat, killing cancer cells.</li> <li>• Less painful and more effective than chemotherapy.</li> <li>• Developer: INST Mohali (DST), IIT Bombay, ACTREC–Tata Memorial Centre.</li> </ul>
<p><b>The world's highest resolution weather forecasting system</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Name: Bharat Forecasting System (BFS); Launch: 26 May 2025</li> <li>• Developed: Indian Institute of Tropical Meteorology (IITM), Pune.</li> <li>• Powered by the high-speed supercomputer 'Arka'.</li> <li>• Objective: Self-reliance in meteorology; More accurate/faster/spatial forecasting for general public, agriculture, disaster management and national plans.</li> </ul>

<p><b>India develops world's first two genome-edited rice varieties</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Varieties: DRR Rice 100 (Caterpillar), Pusa DST Rice 1</li> <li>• India: The first country to successfully develop genome-edited rice varieties.</li> <li>• Techniques: CRISPR-Cas based gene editing (SDN 1 and SDN 2).</li> <li>• Development Agency: ICAR</li> </ul>
<p><b>Google Beam: AI-Based 3D Video Communication Platform</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Google Beam , an AI-based 3D video communication platform.</li> <li>• First name: Project Starline</li> <li>• Immersive/realistic video call experience with AI + volumetric video technology.</li> </ul>
<p><b>India's first gene-edited sheep</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed under the leadership of Prof. Dr. Riyaz Ahmad Shah at SKUAST, Kashmir.</li> <li>• The team also created the first cloned Pashmina goat 'Noori' in 2012.</li> <li>• Editing of the myostatin gene of female sheep from CRISPR-Cas9—more muscle.</li> <li>• No foreign genes were added—indigenous and natural remained.</li> </ul>
<p><b>LICONN (Light-microscopy-based Connectomics) Technology</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Developed by scientists from ISTA (Austria) and Google Research.</li> <li>• Mapping the complex neural connectivity of the brain with extremely high accuracy.</li> <li>• Studies at the nanoscale (&lt;20 nm) level with conventional light microscopes.</li> <li>• Simultaneous identification of neurons, synapses, and specific proteins possible.</li> <li>• Uses: Understanding the complexity of human brain networks.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Bulbul-v2 Text-to-Speech Model</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by Sarvam AI (Bengaluru).</li> <li>• Support of 11 Indian languages (Hindi, Marathi, Bengali, Gujarati, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada, Punjabi, Malayalam, Urdu, Odia).</li> <li>• Real-time synthesis with regional accents.</li> <li>• Sarvam AI is the first Indian startup selected to develop an indigenous LLM.</li> </ul>
<p><b>India's first space biological experiment under BioE3 policy</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India's first biological experiment on the ISS under the AXIOM-4 mission.</li> <li>• Group Captain Shubhanshu Shukla part of the mission team.</li> <li>• Objective: Study of the long-term stability of human life in space.</li> </ul> <p>BioE3: Biotechnology for Economy, Environment &amp; Employment.</p>
<p><b>Indigenous Nanopores Polymer Membrane Developed</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DRDO's new technology in seawater desalination .</li> <li>• Developed by DRDO's DMSRDE (Kanpur) Laboratory.</li> <li>• Purpose: To convert sea salt water into potable fresh water.</li> <li>• Usage: In Indian Coast Guard (ICG) ships.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Biolumpivaccine</b></p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Launched by Andhra Pradesh Chief Minister N. Chandrababu Naidu on 14 May 2025.</li> <li>• New vaccine for Lumpy Skin Disease (LSD) in animals.</li> <li>• Developed by Biovet (a subsidiary of Biotech) in collaboration with ICAR.</li> <li>• World's first DIVA marker vaccine.</li> <li>• Able to distinguish between infected and vaccinated animals.</li> </ul>

# Exercises

## Naval Exercises

Name of the Exercise	Partner Countries/Armies	Place	Date	Edition/ Key facts
Ekatha-2025	India – Maldives (Navy)	Maldives	2025	Annual bilateral maritime exercises; Diving, boarding, firing and heli-borne operations
Quad IPLN Field Training Exercise	Quad (India, USA, Japan, Australia)	Andersen Air Force Base, Guam	December 8–12, 2025	First field exercise under IPLN; Focus on Disaster Relief Logistics
RPREX-2025	Indian Coast Guard	Mumbai	2025	Regional Pollution Response Exercises; Marine Oil Pollution Disaster Management
Malabar 2025	Quad (India, USA, Japan, Australia)	Guam, North Pacific Ocean	10–17 November 2025	Multilateral naval exercises; INS Sahyadri
Sagar Kavach	Indian Coast Guard	Karnataka and Kerala Coast	—	Coastal Security SOP Test; 900 km of Coastline
Konkan-2025	India – UK (Royal Navy)	West Coast of India	October 5–12, 2025	Port and sea phase
India-Britain joint CSG exercise	India – UK	Indo-Pacific region	October 2025	First Joint Aircraft Carrier Exercise
Samudra Shakti 2025	India – Indonesia	Visakhapatnam	14–17 October 2025	5th; INS Coverage, KRI John Lee
IN-RoKN	India – South Korea	Busan Naval Port	13th October 2025	First Ever Bilateral Naval Exercise
NATPOLREX-X	Indian Coast Guard	Chennai Coast, Tamil Nadu	7–8 October 2025	10th; to test India's readiness for marine oil spills
Pacific Reach 2025	Multinational (including India)	Singapore/ South China Sea	—	INS Nistar; DSV Exercises
SLINEX-2025	India – Sri Lanka	Colombo and surrounding areas	14–18 August 2025	INS Rana, INS Jyoti
PASSEX	India – Greece	Arabian Sea, Mumbai Coast	10 July 2025	INS Tarkash, HS Psara
SIMBEX 2025	India – Singapore	—	—	32nd; Annual Maritime Exercises
Jaa Mata	India – Japan (Coast Guard)	Chennai Port	7–12 July 2025	SAR, Maritime Security

Operation Atlanta	EU NAVFOR – Indian Navy	Western Indian Ocean and Red Sea	May 2025 (Proposed)	Maritime Cooperation
IAMEX 2025	India – African Countries	Tanzania	April 13–18, 2025	India-Africa Maritime Security
INDRA-2025	India – Russia	Chennai/ Bay of Bengal	28 March–2 April 2025	Harbour + Sea Phase
AIKEYME 2025	India – African Countries	Dar es Salaam	April 13–18, 2025	India-Africa First Naval Exercise
Varun-2025	India – France	Indian Ocean	19–22 March 2025	23rd Edition
BONGOSAGAR-2025	India – Bangladesh	Bay of Bengal	March 10–12, 2025	4th edition
Sea Dragon 2025	Multilateral ASW	Guam Coast	4–19 March 2025	US 7th Fleet; P-8I
TROPEX-2025	Indian Navy	Indian Ocean Region	January–March 2025	Largest Naval Exercise
Komodo-2025	Multilateral Navy	Indonesia	16–22 February 2025	“Maritime Partnership”
La Perros	Multilateral Navy	Malacca– Sunda–Lombok	—	9 Indo-Pacific countries

### Air Force Exercise

Name of the Exercise	Partner Countries/Armies	Place	Date	Edition/ Key facts
AviaIndra-2025	India – Russia (Air Force)	New Delhi and surrounding areas, India	15–22 December 2025	Joint air maneuvers; Indian Air Force Host
Garuda 25	India – France (Air Force)	Mont-de-Marsan, France	16–27 November 2025	8th edition
Freedom Age	USA–South Korea–Japan	Jeju Island	15–19 September 2025	Trilateral Air-Navy
Tiger Claw	India – US (Special Forces)	North India	26 May–10 June 2025	First Garuda–USAF exercise
Akraman	Indian Air Force	Jammu and Kashmir	—	Quick response capability
Desert Flag-10	Multi-country (Air Force)	UAE	April 21–May 8, 2025	Hosted by UAE
INIOCHOS-25	Multi-country (Air Force)	Greece	31st March–11th April 2025	Biennial Exercises

## Army Exercises

Name of the Exercise	Partner Countries/Armies	Place	Date	Edition/ Key facts
Desert Cyclone-II	India – UAE (Army)	Abu Dhabi, UAE	18–30 December 2025	Second edition; Joint training in urban warfare environments
Harimau Shakti-2025	India – Malaysia (Army)	Mahajan Field Firing Range, Rajasthan	5–18 December 2025	Fifth Edition; Fourth edition held in Malaysia
Garuda Shakti-2025	India – Indonesia (Special Forces)	Bakloh, Himachal Pradesh	December 3–12, 2025	10th edition; Parachute Regiment (SF) and Indonesian Special Forces
Ekuverin-2025	India – Maldives (Army)	Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala	2–15 December 2025	14th edition; Counter Terrorism and Counter Insurgency Exercises
VINBAX 2025	India – Vietnam	Hanoi	November 11–29, 2025	6th Edition
Mitra Shakti XI	India – Sri Lanka	Belagavi	10–23 November 2025	11th Edition
Yuddh Kaushal 3.0	Indian Army	Kameng, Arunachal	—	Multi-Terrain Warfare
ZAPAD 2025	Multilateral	Russia (Mulino)	September 10–16, 2025	Interoperability
Yudh Abhyas 2025	India – USA	Alaska	1–14 September 2025	21st Edition
Maitri-2025	India – Thailand	Umroi	1–14 September 2025	14th Edition
Samanvay Shakti 2025	Indian Army	Tinsukia	—	Disaster & Emergency Response
Marujwala	Indian Army	Jaisalmer	—	Joint arms operations
Akhand Prahar	Indian Army	Jaisalmer	—	Joint firing
Talisman Sabre 2025	Multinational	Australia	From 13th July 2025 onwards	19 Countries
Bold Kurukshetra 2025	India – Singapore	Jodhpur	July 28–August 4, 2025	14th Edition

Nomadic Elephant-2025	India – Mongolia	Ulaanbaatar	31 May–13 June 2025	17th Edition
Shakti 2025	India – France	La Cavalry	June 18–July 1, 2025	8th; biennial
Khan Quest 2025	Multinational	Ulaanbaatar	June 14–28, 2025	UN Chapter VII
Dustlik-2025	India – Uzbekistan	Pune	April 16–28, 2025	6th
Tiger Triumph 2025	India – USA	Visakhapatnam	1–13 April 2025	HADR Exercises
Khanjar-XII	India – Kyrgyzstan	Kyrgyzstan	10–23 March 2025	12th
Desert Hunt 2025	Tri-Service Special Forces	Jodhpur	24–28 February 2025	Para SF, MARCOS
Prachand Prahar	Tri-Service	Arunachal Pradesh	March 25–27, 2025	Domain Awareness
Dharm Guardian-2025	India – Japan	Fuji, Japan	February 24–March 9, 2025	6th Edition
Cyclone-III	India – Egypt	Mahajan	From 10 February 2025 onwards	Desert CT
Surya Kiran 2024	India – Nepal	Saljhandi	31 Dec-13 Jan	Bilateral
Mount Aconcagua Expedition	India – Argentina	Argentina	3–20 January 2025	Highest peak
Devil Strike	Indian Army + Air Force	India	January 16–19, 2025	Air Operations

### Joint Rann Samvad-2025

- The Joint Rann Samvad-2025 was organised by the three Services of the country on 26 and 27 August 2025 at Mhow, Madhya Pradesh.
- The event discussed strategy, modern technology and tactics.

### "Rann Samvad": First Tri-Services Seminar of Ministry of Defence

- The first Tri-Services Seminar named "Rann Samvad" was organised by the Ministry of Defence at the Army War College, Mhow (Dr. Ambedkar Nagar) on 26-27 August 2025.
- Its main theme was: "The Impact of Technology in War".

### 'e-Hansa': India's Indigenous Electric Trainer Aircraft

- India has initiated the process of development of two-seater electric trainer aircraft 'e-Hansa'.
- The aircraft is being developed by Bengaluru-based CSIR-NAL (National Aerospace Laboratories).

#### Key features:

- Fully developed in India.
- Cost – Around ₹2 crore, which is about 50% cheaper than imported aircraft .

- This is in line with the Green Aviation Goals, which will promote clean energy based aviation.
- e-HANSA is part of the HANSA-3 Next Generation Program, which aims to give an affordable indigenous alternative to pilot training.
- **Note: Hansa Aircraft** Light Trainer Aircraft, which is designed for flying clubs and pilot training institutes

#### **INSV Tarini successfully completed Navika Sagar Parikrama 2.0 expedition**

- Two women officers of the Indian Navy, Lt Cdr Roopa A and Lt Cdr Dilna K, successfully completed the circumnavigation of the world on board INSV Tarini.
- The expedition traversed 4 continents, 3 oceans and 3 difficult capes.
- The expedition was 25,400 nautical miles (about 50,000 km) long and was based entirely on wind power.

#### **Navika Sagar Parikrama Expedition 2.0**

- Launched: 2 October 2024, from the Naval Ocean Sailing Node, Goa.
- The closing ceremony (Flag-in): 29 May 2025, Mormugao Port, Goa, was held in the presence of Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.
- **Objective:** To promote Nari Shakti, promote maritime skills and self-reliance, and empower global maritime diplomacy.
- **Oceans crossed during the voyage:** Indian Ocean, Pacific Ocean, Atlantic Ocean.
- **Continents crossed during the trip:** Asia, Australia, South America, Africa.

## 10. National Affairs

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### First in India

State	First in
Punjab	First State to fully implement revamped Bharat Net Scheme
Maharashtra	First state to partner with Starlink satellite internet
Karnataka	First state to implement paid menstrual leave policy for women
unequal	Launches India's first vulture conservation portal - 'The Vulture Network'
Tamil Nadu	First State to issue identity cards to women SHG members
Punjab	First state to launch 'Baaz Akh' anti-drone system
Punjab	First state to formally induct sign language experts in justice system
Gujarat	First State to launch Tribal Genome Sequencing Project
Maharashtra	The first state in the country to give agriculture status to animal husbandry and poultry
Gujarat	First state to formally join Cruise India Mission
Himachal Pradesh	First State to distribute ration through Aadhaar-Face Authentication
Bihar	First state to set a maximum of 1,200 voters at each polling station
Jharkhand	State to launch India's first mining tourism project
Punjab	First state to provide universal health insurance without conditions of income or residency
Uttarakhand	The state to implement the country's first official yoga policy
Mizoram	India's first fully literate state (95%+ literacy)
Madhya Pradesh	State with India's first AI-based real-time forest warning system
Maharashtra	Country's first leopard birth control programme
Goa	India's First 100% Cyber Fraud Response Police
Maharashtra	India's first cooperative-run CBG and Potash project
Tamil Nadu	India's first dugong conservation reserve to be recognized by IUCN
Madhya Pradesh - Rajasthan	India's First Inter-State Cheetah Conservation Corridor

Place/ Institution	First in Achievement
<b>Camikara</b>	First Indian rum to win 'Global Rum Brand of the Year'
<b>Indian government/ ICAR</b>	India's First Complete Digital Marine Fisheries Census (MFC-2025)
<b>Mumbai</b>	India's First Common Mobility Platform - 'Mumbai One' App
<b>Indian government</b>	First AI-based translator for tribal languages - 'Adi Vani'
<b>Delhi Assembly</b>	Country's first fully solar powered and digital assembly
<b>Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly</b>	The country's first AI-enabled surveillance assembly
<b>NCDEX and IMD</b>	India's First Weather Derivatives

<b>Indian government</b>	The World's First Traditional Knowledge Digital Library (TKDL)
<b>Gujarat (Anand)</b>	India's first national level co-operative university – Tribhuvan Co-operative University (TSU)
<b>Flipkart</b>	India's first large e-commerce company to get an NBFC license from RBI
<b>Indian Armed Forces</b>	India's first tri-service all-women's international open-sea sailing team
<b>ICMR – NIIH</b>	India's first 'Rare Blood Donor Registry'
<b>Goldsikka</b>	India's First AI-Enabled Gold-Melting ATM
<b>NSE</b>	India's First Mortgage-Backed Pass-Through Certificate (PTC) Listed
<b>Ghaziabad Municipal Corporation</b>	India's First Certified Green Municipal Bond
<b>Indian Railways</b>	India's first hydrogen-powered train (world's longest and most powerful broad-gauge hydrogen train)
<b>Patanjali University</b>	India's First Yoga-Ayurveda Cluster Centre (under GBM Mission)
<b>Home Ministry</b>	Country's first digital weapons tracking system (Lost, Looted & Recovered Firearms Database)
<b>BIS</b>	India's First Standard for Bomb Disposal Systems – IS 19445:2025
<b>IGI Airport Delhi</b>	India's First 'Water-Positive' High-Capacity Airport
<b>Pune</b>	Truck Mounted Attenuator (TMA) – Country's First Highway Safety Shield
<b>VoxelGrids</b>	India's first indigenous MRI scanner (1.5 Tesla)
<b>NaMo Bharat Train</b>	India's Fastest Train (160 km/h, Delhi-Meerut RRTS)
<b>AIIMS New Delhi</b>	Da Vinci is the first government medical college to offer training on surgical robots.
<b>Department of Science and Technology (DST), Government of India</b>	India's First CCU Testbed Cluster (for Cement Industry)
<b>C-DOT and Sterlite Technologies Limited (STL)</b>	India's first Quantum Key Distribution (QKD) transmission over 4-core multi-core fiber (MCF)
<b>Juspay (Bengaluru)</b>	India's First Unicorn Startup of 2025
<b>First internal translocation of Cheetahs in India</b>	First Internal Translocation of Cheetahs in India (Rehab Site to rehab site): Palpur Kuno National Park → Gandhi Sagar Wildlife Sanctuary (Madhya Pradesh)
<b>BRIC-inStem &amp; CMC Vellore</b>	India's first human gene therapy trial for haemophilia
<b>Bank of Maharashtra Indian Railways</b>	India's first ATM installed in a train (Panchvati Express)
<b>Ministry of Mines – Goa</b>	India's first AI-powered mineral exploration hackathon 2025
<b>SAMEER &amp; AIIMS, New Delhi</b>	India's first indigenous 1.5 Tesla MRI machine
<b>Punjab Assembly</b>	First Legislative Assembly of India to broadcast Assembly proceedings in sign language
<b>Uttar Pradesh Legislative Assembly</b>	India's first Vidhan Sabha to be equipped with translation facility (Awadhi, Braj, Bhojपुरi, Bundelkhandi, English)

## GI Tag

GI tagged products	Related Location/ State	Key Features/ Fact
<b>Ponduru Khadi</b>	Ponduru, Andhra Pradesh (Srikakulam District)	Traditional hand-woven cotton fabric; Legal Protection of Distinctive Local Heritage and Identity
<b>Tungbuk</b>	Sikkim (Lepcha community)	Three-stringed traditional instrument
<b>Pumtong Pulit</b>	Sikkim (Lepcha community)	Traditional flute made of bamboo
<b>Ryndia Silk</b>	Meghalaya (Umden-Diwon region)	organic Erie silk; Natural Color; Ethical and handmade; First 'Erie Silk Village' in 2021
<b>Khasi Handloom</b>	Meghalaya	Traditional weaving of the Khasi tribe; Unique Design & Natural Colors
<b>Shehnai of Banaras</b>	Varanasi (Banaras), Uttar Pradesh	Traditional wind instruments; Special importance in religious and cultural events
<b>Saudagari block print</b>	Jamalpur, Ahmedabad, Gujarat	Nearly 300-year-old handmade textile printing art; Natural Color & Hand Block Print
<b>Kumbakonam Pan Leaf Leaves</b>	Thanjavur, Tamil Nadu	produced in the Cauvery River Valley; Distinctive flavors and aromas
<b>Thovalai Flower Garland</b>	Kanyakumari, Tamil Nadu	Made up of white-red-green flowers; mat-like weaving style; Famous in the Tamil Nadu-Kerala region

## Agreements/MoUs

Agreement	Related Aspects	Key Points
<b>Centre for Sustainable Energy</b>	Coal India Limited – IIT Madras	Accelerating the Clean Energy Transition; Promoting low-carbon technology, mine re-purposing and green innovation
<b>Kedarnath-Hemkund Sahib Ropeway Project</b>	Government of Uttarakhand – National Highway Logistics Management Limited	Two ropeway projects worth ₹7,000 crore; 3S gondola technology; Boost to Pilgrimage, Tourism and Employment
<b>MoU for Employment Generation</b>	Ministry of Labour & Employment – Zepto	Creating 10,000 jobs; increasing the employability of the youth; Use of NCS Portal
<b>Sports Science and Innovation Agreement</b>	Sports Authority of India (NCSSR) – IIT Delhi	Sports performance improvement; indigenous sports equipment; Establishment of Biomechanics Lab
<b>PM Vishwakarma Yojana – e-Commerce Collaboration</b>	MSME Ministry – Amazon Seller Services Pvt. Ltd.	Strengthening market access of PM Vishwakarma artisans
<b>Academic and Logistics Support</b>	GatiShakti University – Amazon	Logistics and Warehousing Education; Amazon Chair Professorship; Data-Based Research
<b>Cybersecurity MoU</b>	NMDC – IIT Kanpur	Cybersecurity Risk Assessment, AI/ML Integration, Training and Joint Research
<b>Joint PhD Programs</b>	IIT Bombay – Tohoku University	Joint Institute of Excellence (JIE); Joint Research and PhD Programs

<b>Linguistic Innovation Partnership</b>	Atal Innovation Mission – Bhashini	Linguistic inclusivity; Promoting innovation in local languages
<b>DIGIPIN System</b>	Department of Posts – MapmyIndia (Mappls)	Assign a unique geocode to each Indian address; geo-referenced digital address systems; Improving Logistics, e-Governance and Service Delivery
<b>Startup Collaboration (Startup India)</b>	DPIIT – ICICI Bank	Startup Engagement Program; Real-time feedback, market-fit recognition and investor confidence
<b>Aadhaar-based customer verification</b>	UIDAI – Starlink	the first global satellite ISP to adopt Aadhaar authentication; Digital Transparency and Enhanced Rural Connectivity
<b>Handball broadcasting agreement</b>	Prasar Bharati – Indian Handball Association	3-year MoU; Telecast of National and International Handball Competitions (DD Sports, Waves OTT)
<b>Inclusive Education (Project Inclusion)</b>	DEPwD – Sri Aurobindo Society	Inclusive Education for Children with Disabilities; Digital Training of Teachers (App/Website)
<b>AI University Establishment</b>	Government of Andhra Pradesh – NVIDIA	AI University established; AI skills to 10,000 engineering students in 2 years
<b>Promotion of Startups</b>	DPIIT – Paytm	Mentorship, Infrastructure and Market Access to Startups; Fintech Innovations
<b>Logistics and Infrastructure Cooperation</b>	DPIIT – Korea Transport Institute	Logistics cooperation, knowledge exchange; Infrastructure Development under PM Gati Shakti

## App & Portal

<b>App / Portal</b>	<b>Launch</b>	<b>Key Points</b>
<b>MY Bharat Mobile App</b>	1st October 2025, Union Minister Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya	Connecting youth with leadership, skill development and social participation; Mobile version of MY Bharat online platform
<b>Gyan Bharatam Portal</b>	September 12, 2025, Prime Minister Narendra Modi	Digitization and preservation of ancient manuscripts; AI-based discovery, translation, and vaccination feature; Centralized Digital Library
<b>eSAKSHI Portal</b>	MoSPI, 1st April 2023 (in association with SBI)	Complete digital and transparent management of MPLADS funds; Real-time monitoring, digital fund transfer
<b>RailOne App</b>	1st July 2025, Ministry of Railways	Integrated platform of railway passenger services; Unreserved tickets, live train tracking, e-catering, grievance resolution
<b>Waste Picker Enumeration App</b>	5th June 2025, Ministry of Social Justice & Empowerment	Digital enumeration of waste pickers; Profiling and Photo Identity Cards of 2.5 lakh workers
<b>Ummeed Portal</b>	June 6, 2025	Digital and transparent registration of Waqf properties; Enhancing Dispute Resolution and Accountability
<b>Pratibha Setu Portal</b>	UPSC	Employment Opportunities to Non-Selected but Qualified UPSC Candidates; Database of 10,000+ Candidates

<b>Depot Darpan App</b>	May 20, 2025	Monitoring of PDS warehouses; Smart Warehousing, CCTV and IoT based
<b>Anna Sahayata App</b>	May 20, 2025	Grievance Redressal Forum for PDS Beneficiaries; Multilingual text/voice feature
<b>Anna Mitra App</b>	May 20, 2025	PDS Command Centre for Dealers and Officers; Delivery & Inspection Information
<b>Unnat OCI Portal</b>	Home Ministry	Improved security and digital services for OCI cardholders; Fast and easy registration
<b>RBIDATA App</b>	Reserve Bank of India (RBI)	Access to 11,000+ economic data chains; Data visualization and download facility
<b>Bharat Ranbhoomi Darshan App</b>	January 15: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh	Military tours of war sites; 1962, 1971, Kargil (1999), Galwan (2020), Siachen, Rezang-La, Bum-La etc.
<b>iSPOT Portal</b>	SEBI	Reporting technical problems of stock exchanges and MIIs; Centralized Repository for RCA
<b>Sanchar Saathi Mobile App</b>	Department of Telecommunication	SIM security, preventing fake connections, protecting against telecom fraud; Android/iOS
<b>BHARATPOL Portal</b>	Ministry of Home Affairs, CBI	Quick coordination with Interpol; Cooperation in international criminal investigations
<b>Inter-AIIMS Referral Portal</b>	April 10, 2025, Ministry of Health	Digital patient referral between AIIMS institutions; based on facial recognition
<b>Sujlam Bharat App</b>	Ministry of Jal Shakti	Real-time monitoring of rural drinking water schemes; Jal Jeevan Mission
<b>NIELIT Digital University (NDU)</b>	MeitY	Virtual Technical Education Platform; Bridging the Digital Divide
<b>Aadhaar Good Governance Portal</b>	MeitY	Simplifying the Aadhaar authentication approval process
<b>When-Listed Platform</b>	SEBI	Share trading after IPO but before listing; Grey Market Control
<b>MITRA Platform</b>	SEBI	Tracking and Recovery of Inactive/Unclaimed Mutual Fund Folio
<b>ZooWIN Portal</b>	Ministry of Health, NCDC	Monitoring of anti-rabies and anti-snake venom vaccines; UNDP Support
<b>AI Kiran Platform</b>	21st Apr 2025	Mentorship, Funding & Certification for Women in AI
<b>Q-Shield</b>	QNu Labs	World's First Quantum-Enabled Cybersecurity Platform
<b>SabhaSaar AI Tools</b>	Ministry of Panchayati Raj	AI-based documentation of Gram Panchayat meetings
<b>Adi Sanskriti Digital Platform</b>	Ministry of Tribal Affairs	World's first tribal digital university; TRIs Collaboration
<b>Gender Budgeting Knowledge Hub</b>	Ministry of Women and Child Development	Gender Budgeting Data, Training and Policy Documents
<b>Bond Central Portal</b>	SEBI, OBPP Association	Centralized Information System of Corporate Bonds; Free access

## Books & Authors

Name of the Book	Author/ Editor	Key facts
<b>Ready, Relevant and Resurgent II</b>	General Anil Chauhan (CDS)	Defence and Military Strategy; Released: Defence Minister Rajnath Singh

<b>Wings of Valor</b>	Swapnil Pandey	Gallantry of the Indian Air Force; Publisher: HarperCollins India
<b>Why the Constitution Matters</b>	Justice Chandrachud D.Y.	The former CJI 's first book; On constitutional values
<b>Hitman Unleashed: A Treatise for the Remarkable Rohit</b>	R. Kaushik	Cricketer Rohit Sharma's Struggle-Success Story
<b>The Conscious Network</b>	Sugata Srinivasaraju	Democratic struggle of overseas Indian youth during the Emergency of 1975
<b>Sanskriti ka Paanchva Adhyay</b>	Edited by: Dr. Prabhat Ojha; Introduction: Ram Bahadur Rai	Compilation of speeches of Prime Minister Narendra Modi
<b>Ripples of Change: Gender-Transformative Rural WASH Programs in India</b>	DDWS & UNICEF India (Publications)	10 Inspirational Gender Empowerment Stories of Rural India
<b>Janta ki Kahani - Meri Aatmakatha</b>	Bandaru Dattatreya	Autobiography of Governor of Haryana
<b>The Chola Tigers: Avengers of Somnath</b>	Amish Tripathi	New work based on myth and history

## Schemes related to different states

State	Scheme/ Initiative	Key Points
<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	Green to Gold Initiative	Promote the controlled cultivation of industrial hemp; Strengthening the rural economy; THC threshold $\leq 0.3\%$ ; Goal: Self-reliant Himachal by 2027
<b>Kerala</b>	Robotics Mandatory in Class 10	the country's first state; effective from June 2, 2025; Robotics education to 4.3 lakh students; 29,000 kits distributed
<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	Rahveer Scheme	₹25,000 incentive for road accident victims to reach hospital on time
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	Thalliki Vandanam Scheme	Financial assistance to mothers for children's education; ₹15,000/year per child; Classes I–XII
<b>Kerala</b>	'Vithoot' Seed Ball Afforestation Initiative	Large-scale afforestation from seed balls; Seed distribution through drones/ helicopters
<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	Rajiv Gandhi Van Samvardhan Yojana	Fruit plantations on barren land; Employment through Mahila Mandal, SHG
<b>Maharashtra</b>	Shaktipeeth Expressway Project	802 km expressway; Nagpur-Goa travel time 18 to 8 hours; Promotion of Religious Tourism
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	Vidya Shakti Initiative	Online remedial education for slow learners in government schools
<b>Telangana</b>	Indiramma Giri Jala Vikas Yojana	Solar pumps at 100% subsidy to tribal farmers; Phased implementation over 5 years
<b>Kerala</b>	'Jyoti' scheme	Connecting the children of migrant workers to the formal education system
<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	Space Industrial Policy 2025	Boost to the private space sector; ₹10,000 crore investment target; 10,000 jobs
<b>Maharashtra</b>	Adishakti Abhiyan	Beginning May 7, 2025; Focus on women and child empowerment, maternal and child health,

		malnutrition, domestic violence and child marriage; 5-level committees; Adishakti Award
<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	UP AGREES	in 28 districts of Bundelkhand and Purvanchal; Climate-Resilient Agriculture, Technical Farming, Increasing Farmers' Income and Productivity
<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	AI Pragma	AI and digital skills training for 10 lakh youth; Use in education, health, agriculture and government services
<b>Assam</b>	Chief Minister's Jibon Anuprerana Scheme	Promote research and innovation; Grants to Scholars – General ₹25,000, Divyang ₹40,000
<b>Assam</b>	Nijut Moina 2.0	Financial assistance to girls from HS to PG; Monthly/ Annual Assistance to Reduce Dropout Rate
<b>Assam</b>	CM-FLIGHT (Foreign Language Initiative)	Japanese language training; ₹1.5 lakh subsidy per student; Employment Opportunities in Japan
<b>Assam</b>	Gaj Mitra Yojana	Implemented in 8 districts affected by human-elephant conflict; AI Cameras and Community Teams
<b>Punjab</b>	Mukhya Mantri Sehat Yojana	₹10 lakh annual free health insurance to all families; No income/residency condition
<b>Maharashtra</b>	Sarvajanik Ganeshotsav – State Celebration	Ganeshotsav gets the status of a state festival; Basic Expenditure and Security Arrangements by the State
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	Digi-Lakshmi Scheme	9,034 CSC for urban poor women ; Digital Services and Women Entrepreneurship
<b>Kerala</b>	KITE Model for Ethical AI in Education	the country's first ethical AI education model; Teacher Training, Open-Source Tech, Little KITES Club
<b>Bihar</b>	Punaura Dham Development Project	Approved on July 1, 2025; The birthplace of Mata Sita in Sitamarhi; Development on the lines of the Ayodhya Ram Temple; Budget ₹882.87 crore; Implementation – BSTDC
<b>Bihar</b>	Mukhya Mantri Mahila Rojgar Yojana	Launched on 26 September 2025; Assistance to one woman from each family for self-employment; ₹10,000 First Installment, up to ₹2 lakh after assessment; Implementation – Livelihood
<b>Telangana</b>	Rajiv Yuva Vikas Yojana 2025	SC/ST/BC/Minority youth; Focus on self-employment and entrepreneurship; Loans up to ₹3 lakh, 60–80% subsidy
<b>Tamil Nadu, Karnataka</b>	SHORE Project (World Bank)	Budget: \$212.64 million; coastal zone management; 30,000 hectares of marine protection; Dugong, turtle, coral protection
<b>Punjab</b>	Project Hifazat	Effective from March 7, 2025; Rapid Assistance Against Gender-Based Violence; Women Helpline 181, Child Helpline 1098 (24×7)
<b>Andhra Pradesh</b>	Annadata Sukhibhava Yojana	Launched on 2 August 2025; 46.85 lakh farmer beneficiaries; Total ₹20,000/year (₹6,000 PM-KISAN + ₹14,000 states)
<b>West Bengal</b>	Shramshree Scheme	Launched on 18 August 2025; 22 lakh migrant workers; ₹5,000 Travel Allowance + ₹5,000/month (up to 1 year); Ration, Health, Education & Skill Support

## Major Committees

Committee/ Inquiry	head	Key facts
<b>Dinesh Khara Committee</b>	Dinesh Khara	A 7-member committee constituted by IRDAI; Review of Insurance Act, 1938; FDI limit suggested to be raised from 74% to 100% in line with proposed Insurance Amendment Bill
<b>AI-171 Aircraft Accident Investigation Committee</b>	Govind Mohan	High-level Multidisciplinary Committee under the Chairmanship of Union Home Secretary; Formation: Ministry of Civil Aviation; Instructions to submit independent investigation report within 3 months

## Cyclones

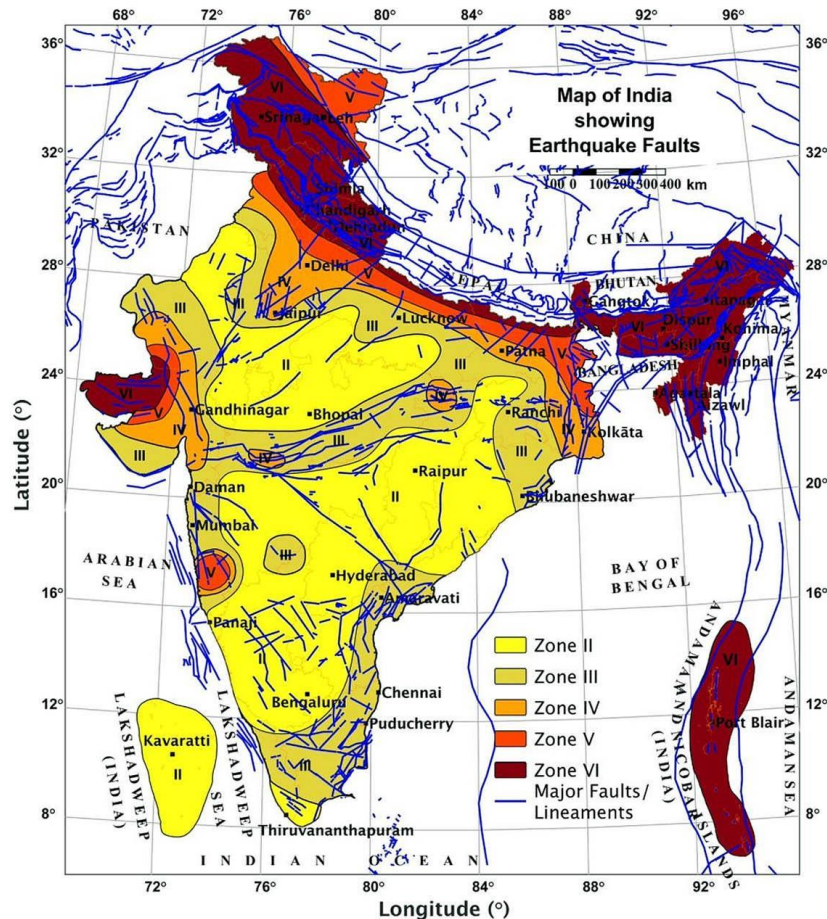
Cyclone/Hurricane	Field/ Category	Key facts
<b>Cyclone Montha</b>	Bay of Bengal	According to the India Meteorological Department it formed into a cyclonic storm by 27 October 2025; Hit Andhra Pradesh coast; 90–100 km/h winds; The name is suggested by Thailand (meaning: beautiful flower); Naming according to the Regional Panel of the World Meteorological Organization
<b>Hurricane Melissa</b>	Atlantic Ocean / Atlantic Ocean Category-5 hurricane	Affected the north coast of Jamaica; One of the most powerful storms in the Atlantic; Maximum wind speed 175 mph; Category-5 according to the Saffir-Simpson Scale
<b>Cyclone Shakti</b>	Arabian Sea	Origins in the east-central part of the Arabian Sea; Northwest, northeast and central Arabian Sea affected; Impact over Gujarat and North Maharashtra coast

## Miscellaneous

### India's New Earthquake Map (2025)

- The new earthquake map of India was released by the BIS on 28 November 2025, and this new map is part of the IS 1893 (2025) earthquake-resistant design code.
- Zone VI has been added for the first time to the new map, which has been considered the most dangerous category.
- This shift has brought 61% of the country into medium-high-risk areas, raising the risk level for many cities.
- The new map is based on the Probabilistic Seismic Hazard Assessment (PSHA) model, which predicts the largest earthquake with a 2.5% probability in 50 years.
- It uses scientific information such as the probable intensity of earthquakes, active fault lines, soil-rock data, history of past earthquakes, PGA values and movement of the Indian plate.
- The new map is not based on administrative boundaries but according to the actual geological hazard, population density and risk of buildings.

### 'Earthquake Zone



- The old map had four zones (II–V) and the new map has five zones (II, III, IV, V, VI).
- Zone II: Very low risk (11% land), some areas of South India.
- Zone III: Medium risk (30% land), Central India.
- Zone IV: High risk (18% land), several major cities including Delhi-Mumbai.
- Zone V: Very High risk (11% land), North-East and Kutch region.
- Zone VI: Highest risk, entire Himalayas—from Jammu and Kashmir to Arunachal Pradesh.
- The medium-high risk area in the country has increased from 59% to 61%.
- In the old map, the Himalayas were placed in zones IV and V, but the PSHA model showed that the Himalayas have highly accumulated seismic energy.
- The Himalayas are the Indo-Eurasian Plate collision zone where faults are constantly active and when these break up, tremors can reach cities to the south.

### **DHRUVA Policy: India's Digital Address Infrastructure Mission**

- The Government of India, through the Department of Posts, has released the DHRUVA Policy Document which aims to create a standardized, geo-coded digital address system.
- This initiative aims to make the delivery of public and private services more accurate and efficient.
- Full Form: Digital Hub for Reference and Unique Virtual Address (DHRUVA).
- The policy is based on the Digital Postal Index Number (DIGIPIN) initiative and is a step towards making address data management a part of the foundational digital infrastructure like Aadhaar and UPI in India.

### **Bhagavad Gita and Natyashastra inscribed in UNESCO's Memory of the World Register**

- Two ancient texts of India — Shrimad Bhagavad Gita and Natyashastra — have been included in UNESCO's Memory of the World Register.
- This decision was taken at the meeting of the Executive Board of UNESCO on 17 April 2025 in Paris, in which 74 new records from around the world were added to this register.

- So far, a total of 14 records of India have been included in this UNESCO Global Memory Register.

**Diwali declared as an Intangible World Heritage Site by UNESCO**

- UNESCO released its updated list of intangible cultural heritage on 10 December 2025, which includes the Diwali celebration.
- The 20th meeting of UNESCO's Inter-Governmental Committee for Intangible Heritage was hosted in New Delhi from 8-13 December 2025.
- This UNESCO list records cultural traditions and practices that are not physically touched, but can be experienced.
- In this Intangible Heritage List, 16 cultural traditions of India have been recorded.

**16 Intangible World Heritage of India**

Year	Heritage
2025	Diwali
2023	Garba of Gujarat
2021	Kolkata's Durga Puja
2017	Kumbh Mela
2016	Yoga
2016	Nowruz
2014	Jandiala Guru's Traditional Utensil Making
2013	Sankirtan of Manipur
2012	Buddhist Texts in Ladakh
2010	Chhau Dance
2010	Kalbelia Folk Songs and Dances
2010	Mudiyattu
2009	Raman
2008	Ramlila
2008	Kutiyattam
2008	Tradition of Vedic Chanting

Subject/ Initiative	Related Institutions/ Place	Key facts
<b>Bharat Taxi</b>	Sahakar Taxi Cooperative Limited	Full operational from January 2026; an indigenous and driver-owned ride-hailing platform; Pilots in Delhi and Gujarat in December 2025; Ola-Uber's cooperative option; Aiming to become the world's largest driver-owned mobility network
<b>'Shakti Scholars' Young Research Fellowship</b>	National Commission for Women (NCW)	Encouragement of women-centered policy-oriented research; ₹1 lakh grant for 6 months; Eligibility: 21-30 years, Bachelor's minimum
<b>VijAlpatha AI Education Initiative</b>	Karnataka (Vijaynagar District), Cyient Foundation	Pilot AI education project; AI/STEM labs in 5 government schools in Hospet tehsil; 2000+ students of classes 6-10 benefited
<b>India is the largest market for AI models</b>	Bank of America Securities Report	Most active users of ChatGPT, Gemini, Perplexity in India; The world's largest user base of AI apps.

<b>Microsoft's investment in India</b>	Microsoft	\$17.5 billion in investment for AI and cloud infrastructure; Largest hyperscale data center in Hyderabad; AI skills training to 20 million people by 2030
<b>Three new airlines approved</b>	Central Government	Shankha Air, Alhind Air, Fly Express; NOC issued; Flight from the first quarter of 2026; Target of 20–25 aircraft
<b>Bureau of Port Security (BoPS)</b>	Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways	Statutory body under the Merchant Shipping Act 2025; Port and Ship Security; IPS (Pay Level-15) Officer Leadership; Based on the BCAS model
<b>Fertilizer Plant in Assam</b>	Namrup, Dibrugarh (Assam)	Laying of foundation stone by Narendra Modi; Cost ₹10,601 crore; 12.7 Lakh MT of Urea/year; Under AVFCC
<b>PMO's new name "Seva Tirtha"</b>	Central Government	PMO → Seva Tirtha; Raj Bhavan → Lok Bhavan; Raj Niwas → Lok Niwas; Transfer from South Block to Seva Tirtha-1
<b>Organized Crime Network Database (OCND)</b>	National Investigation Agency (NIA), National Intelligence Grid (NATGRID)	India's first national AI-powered organized crime database; to control organized crime and terrorism; Developed in collaboration with state police forces
<b>Gujarat regains the status of a Tiger State</b>	National Tiger Conservation Authority (NTCA)	declared Tiger State after 33 years; Presence of tigers in Ratanmahal Sanctuary; Lion, tiger and leopard are all three big cats that exist naturally.
<b>India is the largest producer of makhana</b>	Bihar (Darbhanga)	Accounts for ~80% of world production; Bihar's contribution ~85%; ICAR-National Makhana Research Centre at Darbhanga
<b>'Param Veer Gallery' at Rashtrapati Bhavan</b>	Rashtrapati Bhavan	Opening: 16 December 2025; Portraits of all 21 heroes awarded Param Vir Chakra; Honoring the highest military valor
<b>WorldSkills Asia Competition 2025</b>	Taipei, Taiwan	India's first participation; 8th place; 1 Silver, 2 Bronze, 3 Excellence Awards; 21 Skill Categories
<b>\$250 million fund for Indian brands</b>	India Global Forum (IGF)	For the global expansion of Indian brands; Expansion into Middle East, Africa, Europe by making Dubai a global hub
<b>India is the world's 6th largest patent filer</b>	World Intellectual Property Organization (WIPO)	63,000+ patents in 2024; More than 55% by Indian innovators; GI Tags: 658
<b>3 new districts in Andhra Pradesh</b>	Government of Andhra Pradesh	New districts: Polavaram, Markapuram, Madanapalle; Total Districts 29; Restructuring for better governance
<b>"Parasocial" – Word of the Year 2025</b>	Cambridge Dictionary	Meaning: feeling an emotional connection to someone you don't really know
<b>3 New Dr. Ambedkar Chairs</b>	Dr. Ambedkar Foundation	Universities: Mumbai, Jaipur National, GB Pant Agricultural University; Total chairs now 28
<b>India Maritime Week 2025</b>	Mumbai	Inauguration: 27 October 2025; Focus on sustainable maritime development and blue economy

<b>Online National Drug Licensing System (ONDLs)</b>	Central Drugs Standard Control Organisation (CDSCO)	Digital system for drug quality and safety; implemented after the DEG cough syrup tragedy.
<b>Rashtriya Poshan Maah 2025</b>	Dehradun	Campaign: September 17–October 17, 2025; Theme: "Healthy Women, Strong Families"
<b>Inauguration of Redeveloped Tripura Sundari Temple</b>	Tripura Sundari Temple	Inauguration: 22 September 2025; One of the 51 Shaktipeeths; redevelopment under the PRASAD scheme; 3-Storey Complex, 86 Stalls, Halls, Hostels, Divyang-Friendly Facilities
<b>High-Altitude National Center of Excellence (HANCe)</b>	Ladakh	The highest sports training center in the country at ~11,000 feet; Developed by SAI and Ladakh Administration; Capacity of 250 players
<b>India's First Ice Hockey Training Centre</b>	Ladakh	Ice hockey training at high-altitude; Helpful in increasing oxygen carrying capacity
<b>OpenAI's 1 GW Data Center in India</b>	OpenAI	≥1 GW capacity; offices in New Delhi by the end of 2025; AI training to 5,000+ students-teachers
<b>MY Bharat Aapda Mitra</b>	MY Bharat	1,000+ trained volunteers deployed in Punjab and Himachal; For disaster management and relief work
<b>NITI Aayog's Pulses Production Strategy</b>	NITI Aayog	Goal: Self-sufficiency by 2030; Pulses production doubled by 2047
<b>79th Independence Day Celebrations</b>	Red Fort	Theme: "New India"; The PM's longest speech of 103 minutes; 12th Address
<b>Mission Sudarshan Chakra</b>	Indian government	10-year National Security Initiative; Goal: Complete safety net with indigenous technology by 2035
<b>Pradhan Mantri Viksit Bharat Rojgar Yojana</b>	Ministry of Labour & Employment	₹1 lakh crore scheme; 3.5 crore jobs; ₹15,000 on first job; ₹3,000/month to Employers
<b>Next Generation GST Reforms</b>	Finance ministry/ GST Council	GST rates reduced by November 2025; Proposal of 2-slab structure
<b>New Missions of Energy and Minerals Sector</b>	Indian government	National Deepwater Mission (Oil and Gas); National Critical Minerals Mission
<b>High Demography Mission</b>	Indian government	Preventing demographic imbalances through infiltration; Emphasis on indigenous jet engines and social media
<b>\$1 Billion Green Affordable Housing Fund (H-DREAM Fund)</b>	International Finance Corporation, HDFC Capital	IFC's \$150 million anchor investment; Focus on Green and Affordable Housing
<b>"Ayurveda Aahar" Product List</b>	FSSAI, Ministry of AYUSH	Official list based on the 2022 Regulations; Schedules 'A' and 'B'
<b>Longest route Vande Bharat Express</b>	Nagpur-Pune	Opening: 11 August 2025; ~12 hours of travel; Connectivity between Vidarbha and Pune strengthened

<b>Surya Dronanathan 2025</b>	Indian Army, Surya Command, DFI	Drone competition; Location: Sumdo, Spiti Valley (Himachal); Elevation: 10,700 feet; Duration: August 10–24; Objective: Indigenous Defence Innovation
<b>Biographies of Brave Warriors in NCERT Syllabus</b>	NCERT	Sam Manekshaw (Class 8 Urdu), Mohammad Usman (Class 7 Urdu), Somnath Sharma (Class 8 English); Purpose: Inspiration for courage and duty
<b>1 crore stock investors in Gujarat</b>	Gujrat	Third state (after Maharashtra, UP); Contributing 36% to the total investors; ~11.5 crore investors in India as of May 2025
<b>Mashreq Bank - GIFT City</b>	Mashreq Bank, GIFT City	First UAE Bank in GIFT City; in-principle approval from IFSCA; Operations until the end of 2025
<b>New name of NIPCCD</b>	NIPCCD	New Name: Savitribai Phule National Institute for Women and Child Development; Regional Centre in Ranchi on 4th July 2025
<b>HS code for Bihar's makhana</b>	Bihar (Mithila)	HS Code for International Trade; Aid in Global Identification and Classification
<b>C-FLOOD Forecasting System</b>	C-DAC, Central Water Commission	Launch: 2 July 2025; Village level warning 2 days ago; Basin: Mahanadi, Godavari, Tapi
<b>Indian Languages Section (BBA)</b>	Ministry of Home Affairs, C-DAC	Launch: 6 June 2025; Budget: ₹56 crore; Objective: Promote Indian Languages in Administration
<b>Tripura to get full functional literacy</b>	Tripura	third state after Mizoram and Goa; 94%+ Functional Literacy (ULLAS Program)
<b>OBC status for transgenders in Assam</b>	Government of Assam	Reservation in education, jobs and schemes; First State: Madhya Pradesh (2023)
<b>Sagar Bhavan and Polar Bhavan in Goa</b>	NCPOR	Opening: 22 May 2025; Objective: Polar and marine climate research
<b>Tsarap Chu Conservation Reserve</b>	Himachal Pradesh (Spiti Valley)	India's largest conservation reserve; Area: 1,585 km <sup>2</sup> ; Major habitat of snow leopard
<b>MAC 2.0 System</b>	Home Ministry	Cost: ₹500 crore; AI/ML/GIS based; under IB; 28 agencies and all police districts connected
<b>Election Commission's New Voting Reforms</b>	Election Commission of India	Integration of death registration data with the RGI database; The names of deceased voters will be automatically deleted; Voter information slips are more useful; Standard photo ID of BLO; Maximum 1200 voters per polling station
<b>ECI Net</b>	Election Commission of India	New dashboard integrating 40+ apps/websites; All election services on a single platform
<b>ITI Upgradation &amp; National Centre of Excellence Scheme</b>	Union Cabinet	Cost ₹60,000 crore; Modernization of 1000 government ITIs; 5 Centres of Excellence in Skills (Chennai, Ludhiana, Kanpur, Hyderabad, Bhubaneswar); ADB and World Bank co-financing
<b>IIFT's new off-campus centre</b>	IIFT, GIFT City	Establishment in Gandhinagar (GIFT City); Approval under UGC Regulations 2023; International Business Programs & Research

<b>"SemHack for Green Infra" Hackathon</b>	NCB, Ballabgarh	India's first National Cement-Manufacturing Hackathon; Topic: Green Cement, Carbon Capture, Net Zero
<b>Statue of Bodofa Upendranath Brahma</b>	New Delhi	Unveiling on May 1, 2025; a 9-foot-tall statue; Recognition of contribution to the Bodo movement and tribal rights
<b>Samudra Pradakshina Mission 2025</b>	Indian Army, Navy, Air Force	India's first tri-service all-women sailing expedition; Route: Mumbai-Seychelles-Mumbai; Distance 4000 nautical miles; Texture: IASV Triveni
<b>Inscription of the Chola era</b>	Madurai, Tamil Nadu	Somgiri Hills, Melavalavu; Period ~1000 AD; ruler Rajaraja Chola; Title: "King Raja Mumudichola"
<b>India Athlete Passport Management Unit (APMU)</b>	NDTL, New Delhi	India is the 17th country; Inauguration 17 April 2025; Monitoring and Management of Biological Passports
<b>Recognition of type-5 diabetes</b>	International Diabetes Federation	Recognition at IDF Congress 2025 (Bangkok); Identity in Jamaica in 1955
<b>Madhavpur Ghed Fair 2025</b>	Porbandar, Gujarat	6–10 April 2025; Memory of Krishna-Rukmini marriage; Cultural Participation of 8 North Eastern States
<b>CPCB 's 'Blue Category'</b>	CPCB	New category for essential environmental services; waste-to-energy, biomining units; Validity Period 7 years
<b>AIIMS Delhi ranked as the best hospital</b>	AIIMS New Delhi	Newsweek–Statista Report 2024; First place in India; Global Rank 97; Top in the World: Mayo Clinic (USA)
<b>Setting up of Frontier Tech Hub (NITI-FTH)</b>	NITI Aayog	Announced on 5 March 2025; The Frontier will act as a Tech Action Tank; Objective: Technological innovation in socio-economic development for a developed India; Industry-Academia-Government Partnership
<b>7th Meeting of the National Board for Wildlife (NBWL)</b>	National Board for Wildlife, Gir (Gujarat)	3 March 2025; PM Narendra Modi; First Estimate Report of River Dolphins (6,327 total); National Wildlife Health Referral Centre in Junagadh; Centre for Human-Wildlife Conflict Resolution at SACON, Coimbatore
<b>East Coast Railway Freight Records</b>	East Coast Railway	First Railway Zone to achieve 250 million ton target in FY 2024-25; Target Met on 21st March 2024; Second year in a row
<b>'Nayanamritam 2.0'</b>	Government of Kerala	World's first AI-powered chronic ophthalmic disease screening program; AI-based early detection; Screening for glaucoma and AMD also included
<b>Chalukya-era Kannada inscriptions</b>	Vikarabad District, Telangana	3 rare Kalyani Chalukya period inscriptions at Kankal village in Pudur mandal; The years 1129, 1130, 1132 AD.; Ruler: Someshwara-III (Bhulokamalla Deva)
<b>Digital Pilot License (Electronic Personnel License)</b>	Ministry of Civil Aviation, ICAO	Launched on 20 February 2025; India is the second country in the world to do so; Objective: Security, transparency and efficiency in licensing

<b>2025: 'Year of Defence Reforms'</b>	Ministry of Defence	Announced on 1 January 2025; Objective: Improve military capabilities and operational readiness; Emphasis on Efficiency, Coordination, and Technological Advancement
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## Operations & Missions

<b>Operation/ Mission</b>	<b>Concerned Agency/Agencies field</b>	<b>Key facts</b>
<b>Operation HAECHI-VI</b>	Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI), FBI (USA), US Department of Justice, German agencies	The sixth phase of Interpol's global operations; unraveling international cyber-enabled financial crime networks; Action on Cyber Crimes with International Cooperation
<b>Operation 'Nader'</b>	Indian Army, Jammu and Kashmir Police, CRPF	Anti-Terrorism Operations in Jammu and Kashmir; Precise intelligence-based action in response to recent terrorist attacks
<b>Operation Asmita</b>	Uttar Pradesh Police	Illegal conversion networks exposed; Change of name through love jihad; Connections to PFI, SDPI and Pakistani terrorist groups; Funding from Canada-US
<b>Operation Chakra-V</b>	Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)	Campaign against cyber fraud and money-laundering; action in Rajasthan, Delhi, Haryana, Uttarakhand, Uttar Pradesh; Focus on Money Mule Bank Accounts
<b>Operation Shiva 2025</b>	Indian Army, Jammu & Kashmir	Security of Shri Amarnath Yatra; Countering Pakistan-backed terror threats; 50+ Anti-Drone Systems (C-UAS) deployed

## 11. Major Conferences and Festivals

Programme/ Event	Date/ Duration	Place	Theme/ Subject	Key facts
<b>Wings India 2026</b>	28–31 January 2026	Begumpet Airport, Hyderabad	Indian Aviation: Paving the Way for the Future	the biennial civil aviation program; Focus on commercial, general and commercial aviation; Events: MoCA, AAI & FICCI
<b>National Conference of Chairpersons of Public Service Commissions</b>	19 December 2025	Hyderabad, Telangana	Administrative Preparation for Developed India 2047	Inaugurated by the President; Emphasis on honesty and integrity in recruitment
<b>5th National Conference of Chief Secretaries</b>	December 26–28, 2025	New Delhi	Human Capital for Developed India	Chaired by the PM; Centre-State Partnership; 5 areas including education, skills, sports
<b>Lakshadweep First Investor Summit</b>	13th December 2025	Bangaram Island, Lakshadweep	Fisheries Investment Potential	Focus on the fisheries sector; ~20% of EEZ; Tuna and high-value fish
<b>60th All India DGP/IG Conference</b>	28–30 November 2025	Raipur, Chhattisgarh	Viksit Bharat: Security Dimension	Discuss terrorism, cybercrime, LWE, women's safety
<b>EARTH Summit 2025</b>	5th December 2025	Gandhinagar, Gujarat	Agriculture and Rural Development Dialogue	National Series; Policy-level brainstorming on agriculture, animal husbandry, cooperatives
<b>Global Forum on Tax Transparency - 18th Meeting</b>	2–5 December 2025	New Delhi	Tax Transparency & International Cooperation	hosted by India; Global Cooperation on Information Exchange
<b>7th India International Seaweed Expo 2026</b>	29–30 January 2026	Kochi, Kerala	Seaweed Industry Development	आयोजन: ICAR-CMFRI, ICC, CSIR-CSMCRI
<b>Chanakya Defense Dialogue 2025</b>	27–28 November 2025	New Delhi	Reform to Transform	Third edition; Army's 3-Step Transformation Strategy
<b>5th India Internet Governance Forum (IGF)</b>	27–28 November 2025	New Delhi	Inclusive and Sustainable Internet Governance	Policymakers, industry, civil society and international organizations

<b>6th International Agronomy Congress (IAC-2025)</b>	24th November 2025	New Delhi	Smart agri-food systems	Global Agricultural Scientist Dialogue
<b>Preservation of Rural Buddhist Heritage Conference</b>	28–30 November 2025	New Delhi	Rural Buddhist Heritage Conservation	Global Discourse on Protection of Rural Buddhist Sites
<b>Regional Open Digital Health Summit (RODHS 2025)</b>	19–21 November 2025	New Delhi	Digital Health & UHC	DPI, interoperability; Events: NeGD, NHA, WHO-SEERO, UNICEF
<b>International Gita Festival 2025</b>	15 November – 5 December 2025	Kurukshetra, Haryana	The Universal Message of the Gita	10th edition; 21-day event; Partner countries – England; Partner State – Madhya Pradesh
<b>13th International Tourism Mart</b>	13–16 November 2025	Gangtok, Sikkim	Boost to North East Tourism	Inauguration: Gajendra Singh Shekhawat; Focus on Culture and Adventure Tourism of the North East
<b>Asian Seed Congress 2025</b>	17–21 November 2025	Mumbai, Maharashtra	Prosperity with Quality Seeds	Inauguration: Shivraj Singh Chouhan; Seed Industry and Agricultural Productivity
<b>30th CII Partnership Summit 2025</b>	14th November 2025	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Technology, Trust and Trade	Inauguration: Vice President; Events: CII, DPIIT & Government of Andhra Pradesh
<b>Second WHO Traditional Medicine Global Summit SUMMER 2025</b>	17–19 December 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Restoring Balance: Health and Wellness	Events: WHO and Ministry of AYUSH; Strengthening TM Strategy 2025–2034
<b>3rd SUMMER 2025</b>	3rd November 2025	New Delhi	Ease of Doing Research	Inauguration: PM Modi; Events: DST; AI, Quantum, Semiconductor, Green Tech
<b>44th India International Trade Fair (IITF) 2025</b>	November 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat	Participation of States, Ministries, PSUs and Foreign Exhibitors
<b>8th International Solar Alliance</b>	27–30 October 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Solar Energy Cooperation	4 strategic pillars; Reports: Ease of Doing Solar 2025, Solar Trends 2025

<b>(ISA) Conference</b>				
<b>India Mobile Congress 2025</b>	8th October 2025	New Delhi	Innovate to Transform	9th edition; Asia's largest telecom program
<b>International Aryan Summit 2025</b>	31st October 2025	New Delhi (Rohini)	Arya Samaj and Dayanand Darshan	Dayanand Saraswati's 200th birth anniversary; Part of Gyan Jyoti Mahotsav
<b>CPA India Area Zone-III Conference</b>	9–13 November 2025	Nagaland Assembly	Policy, Progress and People	22nd Annual Conference; Nagaland is the host state
<b>Asia Pacific Accident Investigation Group Meeting</b>	28–31 October 2025	New Delhi	Aircraft crash investigation improvements	For the first time in India; Event: AAIB (MoCA)
<b>Emerging Science, Technology and Innovation Conclave (ESTIC) 2025</b>	3–5 November 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Scientific Advancements of New India	Organizer: DST; Co-Organizers: MeitY; Integrated Approach of Science-Technology-Innovation
<b>Conference of Chief Electoral Officers (CEOs)</b>	2 Day (2025)	IIIDEM, New Delhi	Election Management Review	Chairperson: Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar; Review of SIR and CEO Performance
<b>28th National e-Governance Conference 2025</b>	22–23 September 2025	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Viksit Bharat: Civil Services and Digital Transformation	DARPG-MeitY Events; 19 National e-Governance Awards
<b>11th India International Science Festival (IISF-2025)</b>	6–9 December 2025	Chandigarh	Prosperity through Science: Atmanirbhar Bharat	Promotion of scientific thinking, innovation and technology
<b>6th Global Fintech Fest (GFF) 2025</b>	7–9 October 2025	Jio World Centre, Mumbai	AI-Driven Finance	Inauguration: Nirmala Sitharaman; PM Modi and UK PM Keir Starmer's participation
<b>India AI Experience Zone</b>	October 2025	Mumbai (with GFF)	AI and Digital Innovation	Event: NPCI & NVIDIA
<b>UNTCC Heads of Conference 2025</b>	14–16 October 2025	New Delhi	UN Peacekeeping cooperation	Events: Indian Army; Defence Exhibitions and Bilateral Meetings

<b>ARISE Cities Forum 2025</b>	October 8–9, 2025	New Delhi	From Bharat to Belém	ICLEI South Asia Forum; Focus on Urban Resilience
<b>11th World Green Economy Summit (WGES) 2025</b>	October 1–2, 2025	Dubai World Trade Centre	Innovating for Impact	Green Growth, Climate Action, Global Partnerships
<b>Second National Conference &amp; Exhibition on CSR</b>	October 6–7, 2025	New Delhi	CSR for Tribal Development	Organizer: IICA; CSR-Coordination of Government Schemes
<b>International Railway Equipment Exhibition (IREE) 2025</b>	2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Railway Innovation and Sustainability	16th edition; Asia's Largest Railway Exhibition
<b>International Purple Fair 2025</b>	2025	Goa	Inclusion, Talent & Empowerment	Focused on Persons with Disabilities; DEPwD Collaboration
<b>World Food India – Fourth Edition</b>	25–28 September 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Prosperity from processing	Global Food Regulators Summit, Startup & CEO Roundtable
<b>28th National e-Governance Conference 2025</b>	22–23 September 2025	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Viksit Bharat: Civil Services and Digital Transformation	Events: DARPG and MeitY; Support from Government of Andhra Pradesh
<b>First Tri-Service Academic Technology Symposium (T-SATS)</b>	September 22, 2025	Manekshaw Centre, New Delhi	Indigenous Technology for National Security	Inauguration: CDS General Anil Chauhan; Armed Forces-Academia-R&D Partnership
<b>World Teak Conference 2025 (5th)</b>	17–20 September 2025	Kochi, Kerala	Sustainable Development of Teak Area	For the first time in India; Organizer: KFRI; Collaboration: MoEFCC, ITTO
<b>International Tea Conference</b>	18–20 September 2025	Kochi, Kerala	Tea Ecosystem for the Future	Organizer: Tea Board and South India Joint Tea Growers' Association
<b>International Conference on Gyan Bharatam</b>	September 11–13, 2025	Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi	Manuscript Heritage Preservation	Initiatives of the Ministry of Culture; Focus on conservation and digitization
<b>5th Coast Guard Global Summit (CGGS)</b>	2027 (Announced)	Chennai, Tamil Nadu	International Maritime Cooperation	Celebrations of 50th Anniversary of Indian Coast Guard

<b>AI Impact Conference 2026</b>	February 2026	New Delhi	AI for All	Focus on AI Adoption for the Global South
<b>National Conference on Women Empowerment</b>	14–15 September 2025	Tirupati, Andhra Pradesh	Women's Empowerment	Inauguration: Om Birla; 'Tirupati proposal' issued
<b>5th All India Official Language Conference</b>	14th September 2025	Gandhinagar, Gujarat	Expansion of the official language Hindi	Inauguration: Amit Shah; Initiatives: Sarathi platform and Hindi Shabd Sindhu
<b>16th Combined Commanders' Conference</b>	15th September 2025	Kolkata, West Bengal	A Year of Reforms – Transforming for the Future	Inauguration by PM; For the first time in Eastern Command HQ
<b>Second National Conference of ANTF Chiefs</b>	16th September 2025	New Delhi	Joint Resolution, Shared Responsibility	Strategic Roadmap on Drug-Free India
<b>Sarpanch Samvaad National Quality Conclave 2025</b>	15–17 September 2025	New Delhi	Viksit Bharat from Viksit Gram	Event: Ministry of Jal Shakti & Ministry of Panchayati Raj
<b>Semicon India 2025</b>	2–4 September 2025	Yashobhoomi (IICC), New Delhi	The Next Semiconductor Superpower	India's Largest Semiconductor Programme
<b>National VRDL Conclave 2025</b>	11–12 September 2025	New Delhi	Virus Research & Diagnosis	Participation of DHR, ICMR and VRDL Network
<b>17th BioFach India 2025</b>	30 August – 1 September 2025	Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh	Organic Products Trading	The country's largest organic trade fair
<b>India Buildcon 2026</b>	29th April – 2nd May 2026	New Delhi	Construction materials and techniques	International Trade Fair; Global Buyer Participation
<b>19th National Jamboree</b>	November 23–29, 2025	Lucknow, Uttar Pradesh	—	Bharat Scouts and Guides; Adventure sports, science exhibitions and cultural activities
<b>International Space Conference 2025</b>	September 8, 2025	New Delhi	Harnessing Space for Global Progress	Inauguration: Dr. Jitendra Singh; Focus on Innovation, Policy and Development
<b>Swachhotsav 2025</b>	September 17 – October 2, 2025	Nationwide	Swachhotsav	MoHUA and DDWS campaigns; Promotion of Clean and Green Festivals
<b>Shilp Samagam Mela 2025</b>	5–14 September 2025	Freedom Park, Bengaluru	Art & Cultural Heritage	Platform for SC, OBC and Safai Mitra

				artisans; Ministry of Social Justice
<b>SAMHiTA Conference</b>	2025	New Delhi	Manuscript Preservation	South Asian Manuscript Histories and Textual Archive; Inauguration: Dr. S. Jaishankar
<b>Mela Patt Utsav</b>	29–31 August 2025	Bhaderwah, Jammu and Kashmir	Religio-cultural festivals	Dedicated to Lord Vasuki Nag; A symbol of peace and harmony
<b>20th Global Sustainability Summit</b>	2–3 September 2025	New Delhi	Reimagining Sustainability	Organizer: CII-ITC CoE; Announcements including Environment Audit Rules 2025
<b>68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference</b>	October 5–12, 2025	Bridgetown, Barbados	Commonwealth: Global Partner	Indian delegation to be headed by Om Birla
<b>'Bharat Steel' International Conference</b>	16–17 April 2026	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Steel Sector Cooperation	Ministry of Steel's flagship Conference-Exhibition
<b>Mapiki Conference 2025</b>	11–12 August 2025	New Delhi	Measurements for all times	Organizer: CSIR-NPL; Measurement Reform in Industry and Society
<b>National Summit on Technical Textiles</b>	22–23 August 2025	Patna, Bihar	Developed India – Technical Textiles	Ministry of Textiles and METEXIL; Technical and man-made fiber
<b>First Global Conference on Manuscript Heritage</b>	September 11–13, 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Recovering the Knowledge Tradition	Ministry of Culture; Global Manuscript Dialog
<b>Youth Spiritual Summit</b>	18–20 July 2025	Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh	Drug-free youth, developed India	Youth participation; Socio-Spiritual Vision
<b>Shalyacon 2025</b>	July 13–15, 2025	New Delhi	Ayurvedic Surgery	Event: AIIA & Rashtriya Sushruta Sangh
<b>Second BIMSTEC Ports Conclave</b>	14–15 July 2025	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Blue Economy and Sustainable Partnerships	Maritime Cooperation, Green Energy, Smart Logistics
<b>First National Conference of Chairpersons of Urban Local Bodies</b>	3 July 2025	Manesar, Gurugram	Role of ULBs	Inauguration: Om Birla; Urban Democracy and Governance

<b>National Urban Cyber Security Conference 2025</b>	18 July 2025	Vigyan Bhawan, New Delhi	Urban Cyber Resilience	participation of MoHUA, Ministry of Home Affairs and MeitY; Making cities safer from cyber threats
<b>National Vice-Chancellors' Conference of Central Universities</b>	July 10-11, 2025	Kevadia, Gujarat	5 Years of NEP 2020	Organized by the Ministry of Education; Emerging Role of Central Universities
<b>India Maritime Investment Summit</b>	2025	India House, London	Maritime Investment and Cooperation	Organized by MoPSW; Encouraging foreign investment
<b>First T-TDF Symposium 2025 at IIT Madras</b>	2025	IIT Madras, Tamil Nadu	Indigenous technology development	T-TDF initiative in collaboration with DoT and DRDO
<b>Bonn Climate Change Conference 2025</b>	From 16 June 2025 onwards	Bonn, Germany	UNFCCC Mid-Year Meeting	Global Climate Talks & Technical Discussions
<b>International Religious Freedom Summit 2025</b>	17 June 2025	Nairobi, Kenya	Religious Freedom	The first event in Africa; By Global Peace Foundation etc.
<b>ICG Offshore Security Meeting (137th of OSCC)</b>	12 June 2025	New Delhi	Offshore Security	Chairperson: DG ICG Paramesh Sivamani; Agency Coordination
<b>Lok Samvardhan Parv</b>	June 11-15, 2025	New Delhi	Inclusive Development	Culture and Empowerment of Minority Artisans
<b>National Conference of Estimates Committees</b>	June 23-24, 2025	Mumbai, Maharashtra	Budget Monitoring	75 years of the Estimates Committee of Parliament; Chairman: Dr. Sanjay Jaiswal
<b>7th Helicopter and Small Aircraft Summit</b>	2025	Pune, Maharashtra	Regional aviation	MoCA, Government of Maharashtra, Pawan Hans and FICCI Cooperation
<b>EXIM Bank Business Conference 2025</b>	June 24, 2025	New Delhi	Export-Led Growth	Topic: Exports for Developed India
<b>First National Arbitration Conference – 2025</b>	May 3, 2025	New Delhi	Promoting mediation as a means of dispute resolution	Organized by the Attorney General's Office of India and the Ministry of Law and Justice.

<b>1st World Audio-Visual &amp; Entertainment Summit (WAVES) 2025</b>	May 1, 2025	Jio World Centre, Mumbai	Media-Entertainment Globalization	Inauguration by PM; Global M&E Leader
<b>World Bank Land Conference 2025</b>	May 5-8, 2025	Washington, D.C., USA	Land and Climate Action	India is a 'champion country'; SVAMITVA and Village Forums
<b>9th India Mobile Congress (IMC) 2025</b>	October 8-11, 2025	Yashobhoomi, New Delhi	Innovate to Transform	5G/6G, AI, IoT, Green Tech; 1000+ Use-Cases
<b>Rising Northeast Investors Summit 2025</b>	May 23-24, 2025	New Delhi	Investment Boost in North East	Inauguration: PM Narendra Modi; Focus on 8 NE States; Organizer: DoNER Ministry
<b>Pushkar Kumbh Mela 2025</b>	May 15-26, 2025	Keshav Prayag, Pushkar (Uttarakhand)	Religious-Spiritual Events	Alaknanda-Saraswati Sangam; Vedavyasa's Tapasthali
<b>India Inclusive Summit 2025</b>	May 15, 2025	New Delhi (Hybrid)	Inclusive Growth and Accessibility	Global Accessibility Day; Digital Accessibility for Persons with Disabilities
<b>22nd India Telecom 2025</b>	May 6, 2025	New Delhi	Global Telecommunications Solutions	Inauguration: Jyotiraditya Scindia; Organizer: TEPC & DoT
<b>Global Technology Summit (GTS) 2025</b>	April 10-12, 2025	New Delhi	Possibilities	the Ministry of External Affairs and Carnegie India; Geotechnology Platform
<b>STREE Summit 2025</b>	15 Apr 2025	Hyderabad	Women's Safety and Empowerment	Second edition; Organizer: HCSC
<b>Coastal States Fisheries Conference 2025</b>	28 Apr 2025	Mumbai	Fisheries Cooperation	Chairperson: Lalan Singh; Commencement of 5th Maritime Census
<b>5th Maritime Census</b>	28 Apr 2025	India	Digital Data Collection	VYAS-NAV Mobile App Launched
<b>2nd SUFALAM Conference 2025</b>	25-26 April 2025	Kundli, Sonapat (Haryana)	Food Processing Innovations	Organizer: NIFTEM; Sponsor: MoFPI
<b>International Conference on Buddhism</b>	2025	Namsai, Arunachal Pradesh	Buddha Dhamma and NE Culture	Organizer: International Buddhist Confederation and Ministry of Culture

<b>International Ramayana Conclave</b>	26 March 2025	Colombo, Sri Lanka	Global Discourse on Ramayana	Swami Vivekananda Cultural Centre; UP Culture Department Collaboration
<b>Festival of Letters 2025</b>	March 7–12, 2025	New Delhi	Literary Festival	organised by Sahitya Akademi; Asia's largest
<b>COAIEMA-2025 (8th International Conference)</b>	2025	Lucknow	AI: Challenges and Opportunities	Asian Industry and Emerging Markets Cooperation Forum
<b>National Conference on Environment 2025</b>	March 29–30, 2025	New Delhi	environment	Inauguration: President Droupadi Murmu; Organizer: NGT
<b>"Nari Shakti Se Viksit Bharat" Conclave</b>	March 8, 2025	New Delhi	Women's Empowerment	International Women's Day; Organizer: Ministry of Women and Child Development
<b>National Summit on World TB Day 2025</b>	24 Mar 2025	New Delhi	Yes! We Can End TB	Commitments, investments and implementation to end TB
<b>Diet 2025 (39th Edition)</b>	2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Food Processing & Exports	APEDA's involvement; Organizer: ITPO
<b>India 2047: Building a Climate-Resilient Future Summit</b>	19–22 March 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Climate-Resilient Future	MoEFCC, Harvard University, Lakshmi Mittal SA Institute cooperation
<b>27th Meeting of the Western Zonal Council</b>	22 February 2025	Pune, Maharashtra	Inter-State Coordination	Chairperson: Amit Shah; Events under MHA
<b>World Audio-Visual &amp; Entertainment Summit (WAVES)</b>	May 1–4, 2025	Jio Convention Centre, Mumbai	Media & Entertainment Innovations	Joint initiative of MIB and Indian Comics Association
<b>38th Surajkund International Crafts Fair</b>	7–23 February 2025	Faridabad, Haryana	Handicrafts & Culture	Participation of artisans from India and the world
<b>85th All India Presiding Officers' Conference</b>	2025	Patna, Bihar	Constitutional Values	Inauguration: Om Birla; Book of Parliamentary Procedure (8th Edition) released
<b>First Olympic Research Conference</b>	January 27–30, 2025	Gandhinagar (RRU), Gujarat	Olympic Research	Organized by the Government of Gujarat

<b>Grameen Bharat Mahotsav 2025</b>	January 4–9, 2025	Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi	Resilient Rural India	Theme: Resilient Rural India for a Developed India
<b>International Saraswati Festival</b>	29 January – 2 February 2025	Adi Badri, Yamunanagar (Haryana)	Indian Civilization	Inauguration: CM Nayab Singh Saini
<b>Kappad &amp; Chal Beaches of Kerala</b>	2025	Kozhikode and Kannur, Kerala	Environmental Protection	Blue Flag Certification by FEE
<b>56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI 2025)</b>	20–28 November 2025	Panaji, Goa	Cinema	Focus Countries: Japan; Spotlight: Spain and Australia; Rajinikanth honoured

## Festivals

<b>Festival/Celebration</b>	<b>Date/Duration</b>	<b>Place</b>	<b>Subject/ Type</b>	<b>Key facts</b>
<b>Dhanu Jatra Festival 2025</b>	24 December 2025 – 3 January 2026	Bargarh, Odisha	Mythological Theatre Festival	78th edition; the world's largest open-air theater; National Festival since 2014
<b>Chaichang Festival</b>	7–10 December 2025	Majuli, Assam	Environment & Tourism	Asia's first protected royal bird sanctuary; Founded 1633
<b>Nagaland Hornbill Festival 2025</b>	1–10 December 2025	Kisama Heritage Village, Kohima	Cultural connect	Partner countries: Switzerland, Ireland; UK Former Partners
<b>Bathukamma Festival</b>	September–October	Telangana	Festival of flowers for women empowerment	Worship of Goddess Gauri; State Celebration of Telangana
<b>Ningol Chakouba</b>	Hiangei Month (Meitei calendar)	Manipur	Family-cultural	A festival to strengthen the bond between married sisters and brothers
<b>Mera Hou Chongba Festival</b>	October 7	Manipur	Cultural Connect	A symbol of brotherhood among hill-valley communities
<b>Hathei Chilli Festival</b>	2025	Sirarakhong, Ukhrul (Manipur)	Agri-tourism	Chilli received the GI tag; 14th edition.
<b>Behdienkhlam Festival</b>	July (3 days)	Meghalaya	Cultural and religious festival	Meaning: to overcome the pandemic;

				Celebration of the Pnar Community
<b>First Astro Tourism Festival</b>	June 27–28, 2025	Leh, Ladakh	Astrotourism	IIA-Bengaluru Collaboration; Hanle – India's first Dark Sky Reserve
<b>Adi Thiruvathirai Festival 2025</b>	23–27 July 2025	Tamil Nadu	Historical-cultural	Rajendra Chola I; 1000 Years of Gangaikonda Cholapuram Temple
<b>Poson Poya Festival 2025</b>	June 10, 2025	Sri Lanka	Buddhist Religious Festivals	2000th Anniversary of the Advent of Buddhism
<b>Shirui Lily Festival 2025</b>	May 20–24, 2025	Ukhrul, Manipur	Ecological-cultural	Based on the bloom of the Shirui lily; State Level
<b>Ramman Utsav</b>	April–May	Salur-Dhungra, Chamoli (Uttarakhand)	Cultural and religious festival	UNESCO Intangible Cultural Heritage in 2009
<b>Apricot Blossom Festival 2025</b>	April 10 – May 4, 2025	Leh & Kargil, Ladakh	Tourism & Eco-Tourism	Inspired by Cherry Blossom (Meghalaya)
<b>Nyokum Yullo Festival</b>	26 February 2025	Arunachal Pradesh	Tribal Communities	First Joint Mega Industrial Fair; Showcasing Tribal Culture and Indigenous Heritage
<b>Ali Ai Ligang</b>	February–March (First Wednesday of the Ginmur Polo Month)	Shankarpur, Jorhat (Assam)	Mishing Tribe	Meaning: First harvesting of tubers and fruits; a festival associated with the agricultural cycle
<b>Herath Poshte (Hairath)</b>	Falgun Krishna Paksha Trayodashi	Jammu and Kashmir	Kashmiri Pandits	Every Night/Shivratri; One of the most important religious and cultural festivals
<b>Boda Festival (Magho Festival)</b>	From January 10	Trans-Giri region, Himachal Pradesh	Hatti Tribe	The largest annual festival of the Hatti community
<b>11th India International Science Festival (IISF) 2025</b>	6–9 December 2025	Panchkula, Haryana	National	Theme: Science Se Samriddhi: Atmanirbhar Bharat; Promoting Science and Innovation

<b>PESA Festival 2025</b>	December 23-24, 2025	Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh	Scheduled Areas	Event: Ministry of Panchayati Raj; PESA Act awareness; Mascot: Krishna Jinka
<b>Ambubachi Fair</b>	June 22-26, 2025	Kamakhya Temple, Guwahati	Religious	Major Religious Festivals of Northeast India Festivals related to monsoon, fertility of the earth and motherhood
<b>Bohag Bihu (Rongali / Khat Bihu)</b>	14-20 April 2025	Asam	Cultural and Agricultural Festivals	Symbolizing Assamese New Year and Spring

## 12. Indices & Reports

### India's coastline now stands at 11,098.81 km

- The Government of India has increased the length of the country's coastline from 7,516.6 km to 11,098.81 km in the Ministry of Home Affairs report 2023–24.
- This change is not due to the addition of any new land, but to precise technical measurements.

### Causes of increase in length

- This growth is due to accurate calculations made through advanced geospatial techniques such as: geospatial mapping, satellite imaging, and drone surveying.
- This work was carried out by the Survey of India and the National Hydrographic Office (NHO).

### Coastal States and Union Territories

- India has a total of 11 coastal states and 2 union territories (Andaman and Nicobar Islands, Lakshadweep).
- The last coastal state to join India is Goa, which became part of India in 1961.

#### State/UT-wise new coastal length

State/UT	Coastal length (km)
Andaman & Nicobar Islands (Longest Coastline)	3,083.10
Gujarat (highest coastline among states)	2,340.62
Tamil Nadu	1,068.69
Andhra Pradesh	1,053.07
Maharashtra	877.97
West Bengal	721.02
Kerala	610.15
Orissa	574.71
Karnataka	343.30
Goa (Lowest coastline in states)	193.95
Lakshadweep	144.80
Daman and Diu	54.38
Puducherry (minimum coastline)	42.65

### DPIIT FDI Report 2024–25

- India received Foreign Direct Investment (FDI) of USD 81.04 **billion (provisional) in 2024–25**.
- This amount was \$71.28 billion in 2023–24.
- This represents an annual growth of 14%.

#### Components of FDI (2024–25)

Constituent	Amount (in USD )
Equity Investment	\$51.04 billion
Reinvestment	\$23.5 billion
Other capital flows	\$6.5 Billion

#### FDI Equity Investment: Sector-wise

Field	Total investment (\$ billion)	Annual Increase	Stake in Equity FDI
Service Area	9.34 (6.64 last year)	↑ 40.7%	19%

Computer Hardware & Software	7.81	↓ 2%	16%
Trading	4.17	↑ 8%	8%

**Top 5 FDI Source Countries (2024-25)**

Country	Investment	Share in Equity FDI
Singapore	\$14.94 billion	30% (26.9% increase)
Mauritius	\$8.34 billion	17%
United States	\$5.45 billion	11%
Netherlands	\$4.62 billion	-
UAE (United Arab Emirates)	\$4.34 billion	-

**Top 5 States Attracting FDI**

State	Investment	Share in Equity FDI
Maharashtra	\$19.6 billion	39%
Karnataka	\$6.61 billion	13%
Delhi	\$6 billion	12%
Gujrat	\$5.7 billion	-
Tamil Nadu	\$3.68 billion	-

- In India, the services sector and technology sector continue to be the major hubs for FDI inflows.
- Singapore, Maharashtra, and the service industry are leading the way in FDI attraction.

**Human Development Index (HDI) 2025**

- Issued by: United Nations Development Programme (UNDP)
- India's Rank (2023): 130th Rank (among 193 countries)
- Improvement over 2022: from 133rd to 130th place (increase of 3 places)
- HDI score: 0.685 (Medium Human Development Range)
- Life expectancy: 72 years (2023), up from 71.7 years in 2022
- **Teaching:**
  - Expected years of schooling: 13 years (stable)
  - Average schooling years: 6.6 → 6.9 years
- **Gross National Income Per Capita (GNI):**
  - 2022: \$8,475 → 2023: \$9,047 (2021 PPP \$)
- Theme of report: "A matter of choice: People and possibilities in the age of AI"

**India's Performance in Gender Index**

- Gender Inequality Index (GII):
  - Ranking Improvement: 108 in 2022 → 102 in 2023
- Gender Development Index (GDI) Score: 0.874

**Human Development Index 2025 - Top Countries (2023 Statistics)**

Rank	Country	HDI Score
1	Iceland	0.972
193	South Sudan	0.388

**Comparison of India in South Asia**

Country	Rank (2023)	Condition
India	130	Medium HDI
Bangladesh	130	Same Rank

Bhutan	125	Improved Performance
Nepal	145	Backward
Pakistan	168	Quite Backward
Afghanistan	181	Despite improvements, still at the bottom level
Sri Lanka	89	High HDI
China	78	High HDI

### World Happiness Report 2025

- On March 20, 2025, the World Happiness Report 2025 was published.
- The report was released by the United Nations Sustainable Development Solutions Network (UN-SDSN) in partnership with the Wellbeing Research Centre of the University of Oxford.
- Finland was declared the happiest country in the world for the eighth year in a row.
- Denmark and Iceland finished second and third, respectively.
- India was ranked 118th.
- In the list of 147 countries, Afghanistan was at the bottom with 147th position for the fourth consecutive year.
- 6 Key Indicators for Evaluating Happiness:
  1. Social Support
  2. Per capita GDP
  3. Healthy life expectancy
  4. Independence
  5. Liberality
  6. Perception of corruption

Top 5 happiest countries	Bottom-5 countries
1. Finland	1. Zimbabwe (143)
2. Denmark	2. Malawi (144)
3. Iceland	3. Lebanon (145)
4. Sweden	4. Sierra Leone (146)
5. Netherlands	5. Afghanistan (147)

### Ranking of India's Neighbouring Countries:

- Sri Lanka – 133rd
- Bangladesh – 134th
- Pakistan – 109th
- Nepal – 92nd
- China – 68th
- Apart from this, the UK has been ranked 23rd and the US has been ranked 24th.

Index/ report	Released by	First Place	Position of India	Important facts
<b>Environmental Performance Index (EPI) 2025</b>	Yale University, USA	Denmark	176th (in 180 countries)	50+ indicators including air quality, water, biodiversity, carbon emissions
<b>Stanford Global AI Vibrancy Report</b>	Stanford University	USA (78.6)	3rd (21.59 score)	Based on R&D, Talent, Investment, Policy, Tech Infrastructure
<b>Global Situation in Rare Earth Reserves</b>	Various Global Reports	China (44 million tonnes)	Third (6.9 million tons)	~6–7% of global reserves; 7th in production

<b>Global Climate Change Performance Index (CCPI) 2026</b>	Germanwatch, NewClimate Institute, CAN	Top 3 spots vacant	23rd	"High" to "Medium Performer"; Lack of coal phase-out plan
<b>Global Hunger Index (GHI) 2025</b>	Concern Worldwide, Welthungerhilfe, IFHV	Armenia etc. (score less than 5)	102nd (in 123 countries)	Score 25.8; "Critical" Category
<b>Henley Passport Index 2025</b>	Henley & Partners	Singapore (193 countries)	85th	Based on the number of visa-free destinations
<b>Global Innovation Index (GII) 2025</b>	WIPO	Switzerland	38th	81st in 2015; Strong in knowledge and tech output
<b>NIRF India Rankings 2025</b>	Ministry of Education, India	IIT Madras	—	Engineering: IIT Madras; Management: IIM Ahmedabad
<b>World Competitiveness Ranking (WCR) 2025</b>	IMD	Switzerland (100)	41st (in 69 countries)	Economic Performance - 27th; Government efficiency - 45th
<b>World Air Transport Statistics (WATS) 2024</b>	IATA	United States (87.6 million passengers)	5th (24.1 crore passengers)	11.1% passenger growth; Mumbai-Delhi is the 7th busiest route in the world.
<b>Domestic Aviation Market Ranking</b>	—	USA	Third	India is the world's third-largest domestic aviation market.
<b>Gini Index (Income Parity)</b>	—	Slovakia	Fourth (score 25.5)	The score in 2011 was 28.8; Better than China and the United States.
<b>Social Security Coverage Report</b>	ILO	China (70%)	Second (64.3%)	~94 million people; only Cash benefit plans included
<b>Global Unicorn Index 2025</b>	Hurun Research Institute	United States (758)	Third (64 unicorns)	China ranked second (343)
<b>Fast Payment System Report</b>	IMF	India	First	UPI: 18.39 billion transactions; ~50% of the global RTP
<b>Global Gender Gap Report 2025</b>	World Economic Forum	Iceland	131st	Gender Parity Score: 64.1%
<b>Energy Transition Index 2025</b>	WEF & Accenture	Sweden	71st (in 118 countries)	Drop by 8 places from last year
<b>Sustainable Development Goals (SDG) Index 2025</b>	UN SDSN	Finland	99th (in 167 countries)	India in the top-100 for the first time

<b>Global Peace Index (GPI) 2025</b>	Institute for Economics & Peace	Iceland	115th	Score 2.229; South Asia is the most troubled region
<b>Press Freedom Index 2025</b>	Reporters Without Borders (RSF)	Norway (92.31)	151st	India's score is 32.96; 159th position in 2024
<b>Top Countries in AI Investment (2013-2024)</b>	Stanford Report	US (\$470.9 bn)	7th (\$11.1 bn)	Global AI Market to \$279.22 bn in 2024 ; 35.9% CAGR (2025-30)
<b>Technology and Innovation Report 2025 (AI Investments)</b>	UNCTAD	US (\$67 bn)	10th (\$1.4 bn, 2023)	India ranks 36th (out of 170 countries) in new technology adoption
<b>Global Terrorism Index (GTI) 2025</b>	Institute for Economics & Peace	Burkina Faso	14th	Pakistan - 2nd; IS is the most dangerous terrorist organization
<b>Corruption Perception Index (CPI) 2024</b>	Transparency International	Denmark	96th	Score range 0-100; India 93rd in 2023
<b>Logistics Performance Index (LPI) 2024</b>	World Bank	Singapore	38th (in 139 countries)	Top 4: Singapore, Finland, Germany, Netherlands
<b>Global AI Advantage Index 2025</b>	EY (Ernst & Young) - Work Reimagined Survey	India	First	India's AI score 53 (global average 34); 62% of employees use GenAI
<b>Arton Capital's Passport Index 2025</b>	Arton Capital (Canada)	UAE (Mobility Score 179)	67th (Score 74)	Visa-free in 74 countries; UAE tops for 7th consecutive year
<b>Women, Peace and Security Index 2025-26</b>	Georgetown Institute & PRIO	Denmark	131st (0.607)	Assessment of 181 countries; Afghanistan Final
<b>Global Food City Rankings 2025-26</b>	TasteAtlas	Naples	—	Mumbai 5th; 6 Indian cities in top 100
<b>Germanwatch Climate Risk Index (CRI) 2026</b>	Germanwatch	Dominica	9th (1995-2024)	India is one of the most persistent risk countries; 430 Extreme Events
<b>Climate Risk Index 2024 (Annual)</b>	Germanwatch	—	15th	India ranks third in terms of affected population
<b>Global Cooperatives Rankings</b>	International Cooperative Alliance (ICA)	Amul	First	Ranking on a turnover/ GDP per capita basis
<b>Global Cooperatives Rankings</b>	ICA	IFFCO	Second	Largest Fertiliser Cooperative Run by Farmers

<b>World Urbanization Prospects 2025</b>	United Nations (UN)	Jakarta (42 million)	New Delhi – 4th; Kolkata – 9th	9 of the 10 largest cities in Asia; 2/3 of the population urban by 2050
<b>World's Best Cities 2026</b>	Resonance Consultancy & Ipsos	London	Bengaluru (29), Mumbai (40), Delhi (54), Hyderabad (82)	Assessment of 270+ cities; London is No. 1 for the 11th time.
<b>Happiest cities in Asia 2025</b>	Time Out	Mumbai	First	Based on culture, food, nightlife and quality of life
<b>India's total installed power capacity (2025)</b>	Government of India/ Ministry of Power	—	500.89 GW	More than 51% non-fossil; Solar 127.33 GW
<b>Economic Freedom Index 2025</b>	Heritage Foundation	Singapore	128th (in 176 countries)	Score 53.0; "Mostly Unfree" Category
<b>FT Masters in Management (MiM) Ranking 2025</b>	Financial Times	University of St. Gallen	IIM Bangalore – First in India; Global 28th	The only Indian B-School in the top-30
<b>Global AI City Index 2025</b>	Counterpoint Research	Singapore	Bengaluru – 26th	India's leading AI hub; Mumbai, Delhi, Chennai, Kolkata also included
<b>TopBrand 500 Global Brands 2025</b>	TopBrand Union	Microsoft	—	Top 5: Microsoft, Nvidia, Apple, Amazon, Alphabet
<b>Trade and Development Foresights 2025</b>	UNCTAD	—	—	Global growth rate 2.3% in 2025; Policy uncertainty at record level
<b>Satellite Race in Space (2025)</b>	Various global data	United States (8,530)	6th (136 satellites)	12,952 active satellites in orbit; 90% only 10 countries have it
<b>Travel + Leisure World's Best Airports 2025</b>	Travel + Leisure	Istanbul Airport	CSMIA Mumbai – 9th	India's only airport, for the third year in a row
<b>Growth in Top-10 Equity Markets (2025)</b>	Bloomberg	India (21.1% return)	5th largest stock market	Market Cap: ₹456 lakh crore ; DIIs Major Causes
<b>UNFPA Report – The Real Fertility Crisis</b>	United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA)	—	The world's largest population	Population 1.4639 billion; TFR 1.9 (less than 2.1)
<b>Power Generation Growth Ranking (2019-24)</b>	International Energy Agency (IEA)	China	Third	Solar PV Largest Contributor
<b>Global Startup Ecosystem Index 2025</b>	StartupBlink	San Francisco	Bengaluru – 10th	India's Country Rank 20th

<b>ACI Hub Airport Connectivity Rankings 2024</b>	ACI APAC & MID	Dubai Airport	IGI Delhi – Top 10	India's only hub airport
<b>Major Stock Markets of the World (Return Comparison)</b>	Bloomberg	India	—	USA 's market cap is the largest (4,523 lakh crore ₹)
<b>Top Startup Cities in the World</b>	StartupBlink	San Francisco	Bengaluru (10th)	India, USA, China – 3 countries with 3 cities in the top-20
<b>India's Working Population (2025)</b>	UNFPA	—	68%	Indication of Demographic Dividends 1.7 billion in the 2060s, then a decline is possible.
<b>IMF Fiscal Monitor Report (April 2025)</b>	International Monetary Fund (IMF)	Sudan (252% debt-GDP)	31st (80%)	Global Public Debt at 98.9% GDP in 2020; Projected at 117% by 2027
<b>South Asia Press Freedom Report 2024–25</b>	International Federation of Journalists (IFJ) and SAMSAN	—	Serious Concerns on India	Legal pressure, political interference, and financial control are the key issues.
<b>Top 10 Cryptocurrencies (May 2025)</b>	Forbes	Bitcoin	—	Global Crypto Market Cap \$3.09 Trillion; BTC is called "digital gold"
<b>Global Methane Tracker Report 2025</b>	International Energy Agency (IEA)	China	6th	145 Million Tonnes of Methane Emissions from Energy Sector in 2024
<b>Global Internal Displacement Report (GRID) 2025</b>	Internal Displacement Monitoring Center (IDMC)	USA (11 million)	5.4 million from disaster	A total of 45.8 million disaster-caused displacements in 2024
<b>Public debt-GDP ratio (2025)</b>	IMF	Sudan	India – 31st	Japan 234.9%, America 122.5%, China 21st (96%)
<b>Energy Sector Methane Emissions</b>	IEA	China	6th	Methane contributes ~30% to temperature rise
<b>Displacement from Natural Disasters (2024)</b>	IDMC	USA	Assam: 2.5 million	Assam's worst floods in a decade
<b>Top 5 Economies of the World (2025)</b>	International Monetary Fund (IMF) – World Economic Outlook	USA	4th	India GDP: \$4.39 trillion; China 2nd, Germany 3rd
<b>Poverty and Equity Brief Report (Spring 2025)</b>	World Bank	—	Extreme poverty 2.3%	In 2011–23, 17.1 crore people were lifted out of extreme poverty.
<b>Global Business Report 2025</b>	World Trade Organization (WTO)	—	Export: 14th, Imports: 7th	Global trade forecast to decline by 0.2%

<b>Network Readiness Index 2025</b>	UNCTAD	—	36th (in 170 countries)	India 3rd in R&D; AI Investing 10th
<b>Global Financial Centres Index (GFCI-37)</b>	Z/Yen Group	—	GIFT City – 46th	Fintech rank 40; First in Reputation Benefits
<b>Global Milk Production (2023-24)</b>	FAO / Indian government	India	First	239.2 million tons; ~25% of global production
<b>Global Free Speech Index 2024</b>	The Future of Free Speech	Norway	24th (in 33 countries)	India's score is 62.6.
<b>Multidimensional Poverty (MPI)</b>	World Bank	—	15.5%	In 2005-06, it was 53.8%
<b>Global Services Trade Status 2025</b>	WTO	—	Service export: 6th	Share 5.3%
<b>World Air Quality Report 2025</b>	IQAir (Switzerland)	Most polluted country: Chad	5th most polluted country	13 of the world's 20 most polluted cities are from India; Burnihat is the most polluted city
<b>Most polluted capital</b>	IQAir	—	New Delhi (6th consecutive year)	PM2.5 = 91.8 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Cleanest Metropolitan Region</b>	IQAir	Mayagüez, Puerto Rico	—	PM2.5 = 1.1 µg/m <sup>3</sup>
<b>Internet Shutdown Report 2024</b>	Access Now	Myanmar	Second (84 shutdowns)	Most among democracies; Manipur - Top State
<b>Climate Risk Index 2025</b>	Germanwatch	Dominica	6th	Based on Extreme Climate Events of 1993–2022
<b>Next Generation Geothermal Energy Potential</b>	International Energy Agency (IEA)	China	Third	Third largest market by 2050, Major geothermal fields (India): Gujarat, Andhra Pradesh coast, Son-Narmada fault
<b>Global Coffee Production and Export Status</b>	Ministry of Commerce and Industry, India	—	7th largest coffee producer	Coffee exports \$1.29 billion; Major importers: Italy, Belgium, Russia; Main export: Unroasted coffee beans
<b>QS World Future Skills Index 2025</b>	Quacquarelli Symonds (QS)	USA (97.6 score)	Overall Rank: 25th	India 2nd in Digital Skills; India is second in the "Future Skills Contender" category after the USA in AI and Green Skills

## Military Power Report

Report/ Index	Released by	First position in the world	India's Position/ Rank	Important facts
<b>Asia Power Index 2025</b>	Lowy Institute (Australia)	United States (superpower)	Third (40.0 score)	India crosses 40 points for the first time to become "Major Power"
<b>SIPRI Nuclear Weapons Report 2025</b>	SIPRI	Russia (5,469 warheads)	6th (180 warheads)	Total global warheads: 12,241; US+Russia = 90% <b>India's nuclear position: 180 warheads</b>
<b>Global Military Expenditure 2024</b>	SIPRI	USA	5th (\$86.1 billion)	Global spending \$2.718 trillion (9.4% increase)
<b>Active Military Personnel Rankings 2025</b>	SIPRI	China	2nd (14.55 lakh)	India ahead of the US
<b>Global Arms Exports (2020-24)</b>	SIPRI	USA	—	U.S. exports up 21%
<b>Global Arms Imports (2020-24)</b>	SIPRI	Ukraine	Second	36% of India's imports are from Russia
<b>Global Firepower Military Power Rankings 2025</b>	Global Firepower	USA	Fourth	Assessment of 145 countries; India's Power Index 0.1184

## University Reports

Report/ Rankings	Issuer	First place in the world	India's Position Top Institutions	Important facts
<b>QS World University Sustainability Rankings 2026</b>	QS (Quacquarelli Symonds)	Lund University, Sweden	IIT Delhi - 205th	~2000 universities from 106 countries; No Indian institution in the top-200
<b>QS Sustainability Rankings - Representation</b>	QS (Quacquarelli Symonds)	—	India - Fourth	103 Indian universities included; 26 First time (most after China)
<b>QS Asia University Rankings 2026</b>	QS (Quacquarelli Symonds)	University of Hong Kong	IIT Delhi - 59th	294 universities in India; Second only to China
<b>Times Higher Education (THE) World University Rankings 2026</b>	Times Higher Education (THE)	University of Oxford	IISc Bengaluru (201-250)	India is the second most represented country
<b>QS Best Student Cities Rankings 2026</b>	QS (Quacquarelli Symonds)	Seoul	Delhi - 1st in Affordability	Delhi's affordability score of 96.5, Mumbai and Bengaluru also among the top-15 affordable cities

<b>QS World University Rankings 2026</b>	QS (Quacquarelli Symonds)	MIT, USA	IIT Delhi – 123rd (1st in India)	Best rank of an Indian institution so far; 54 Indian Universities Included
<b>QS World University Rankings 2026 – India</b>	QS (Quacquarelli Symonds)	—	India ranked fourth (on the basis of numbers)	USA (192), UK (90), China (72) followed by India; 8 Institutes Incorporated for the First Time
<b>Times Higher Education (THE) Asia University Rankings 2025</b>	Times Higher Education (THE)	Tsinghua University, China	IISc Bengaluru – 38th (1st in India)	IISc, Anna University, IIT Indore top institutions of India.
<b>World Reputation Rankings 2025</b>	Times Higher Education (THE)	Harvard University	IISc, IIT Delhi, IIT Madras (201–300)	4 Indian Universities Included

### List of Billionaires

List/ report	Issuer	Top Position	Condition/ Major Names	Important facts
<b>IDFC FIRST Private &amp; Hurun – Top 200 Self-Made Entrepreneurs (Millennium 2025)</b>	IDFC FIRST Private Banking + Hurun India	Deepinder Goyal (Eternal)	First in India	Eternal is valued at ₹3.2 lakh crore; Damani left behind
<b>Hurun Rich List 2025</b>	Hurun Research Institute + M3M India	Mukesh Ambani	India's Richest	Assets worth ₹9.55 lakh crore; Reliance
<b>Top 10 Billionaires of India (2025)</b>	Hurun	Mukesh Ambani	Adani second, Roshni Nadar third	Roshni Nadar is India's richest woman
<b>M3M Hurun India Rich List 2025</b>	Hurun + M3M India	Mukesh Ambani family	1,687 rich in India	Those with ₹1000 Cr+ Assets
<b>Bloomberg Asia Top 20 Richest Families 2025</b>	Bloomberg	Ambani family	6 Families of India Included	Multi-generational property only
<b>Top 10 Rich Women</b>	Hurun Global Rich List 2025	Alice Walton	Roshni Nadar – 5th position	India's first woman in top-10

### National Reports and Indices

Report/ Index/ subject	Issuer	Condition/ subject	Important facts
<b>Kantar Brands Most Valuable Indian Brands 2025</b>	Kantar BrandZ	HDFC Bank India's Most Valuable Brand	Surpasses TCS; 377% increase from 2014; Zomato Fastest-Growing Brand (\$6B)
<b>Top 100 Brands in India</b>	Weighbridge	—	About 13% of India's GDP

<b>Basic Animal Husbandry Statistics (HASHS) 2025</b>	Department of Animal Husbandry and Dairying	India ranks first in the world in milk production	Milk: 247.87 million tonnes, per capita milk availability: 485 g/day
<b>Egg Production Status (BAHS 2025)</b>	Department of Animal Husbandry	-	India ranks second in the world, per capita: 106 eggs/year
<b>Meat Production (BAHS 2025)</b>	Department of Animal Husbandry		India ranks fourth in the world, top state: West Bengal
<b>DNA-based census of wild elephants (SAIEE 2021-25)</b>	Wildlife Institute of India (WII)	India's first DNA-based calculation	Total elephants: 22,446, a ~25% decline compared to 2017, state with highest number of elephants: Karnataka (6,013 elephants)
<b>Environmental Accounts on Forests 2025</b>	MoSPI	Increase in forest cover	In forest cover expansion (2013-23), Uttarakhand ranks first; Arunachal Pradesh leads in carbon sequestration services.
<b>CAG Report on Public Debt of States</b>	CAG	State debt 3 times	State with highest debt: Punjab, lowest in Odisha
<b>Non-fossil energy potential</b>	Ministry of Power	250 GW Achieved	Target: 500 GW (2030), includes solar, wind, water, nuclear
<b>Sample Registration System (SRS) Report 2023</b>	RGI (Ministry of Home Affairs)	IMR at the minimum level	Current: 25% decline from 2013 to 37.5%
<b>NARI-2025 Report</b>	National Commission for Women (NCW)	Women's Safety	Kohima (Nagaland) Safest City, Most Unsafe Cities: Jaipur, Patna, Faridabad, Delhi
<b>NARI 2025:</b>	NCW	Women's Safety	Security Concerns in Metros
<b>UDISE+ Report 2024-25</b>	Ministry of Education	School Education Statistics	Number of teachers is more than 1 crore, 15 lakh schools, 24 crore students, 54.2% female teachers (majority of women for the first time)
<b>ERD Report on UPI Usage</b>	SBI Department of Economic Research	Digital Payments	Maharashtra ranks first in UPI
<b>SHRESTH Index</b>	Ministry of Health	State Drug Regulatory Evaluation	India's first Health Regulatory Index, Full form: State Health Regulatory Excellence Index, 2 Categories: Manufacturing and Distribution States.
<b>District Flood Severity Index (DFSI)</b>	IIT Delhi + IIT Gandhinagar	Flood Risk Assessment	IFI Database + Hydrology Model
<b>PGI 2.0 Report (2022-24)</b>	Ministry of Education	School Education Performance	No state in Top 4, Top performer: Chandigarh (719 points), Weakest: Meghalaya

<b>MSME Sector Contribution</b>	MSME Ministry	—	GDP: 30.1%; Manufacturing: 35.4%; Exports: 45.73%
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Report	Key Points
<b>India's Wind Power Potential</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2024: 46.42 GW → 2025: 51.5 GW (10.5% increase).</li> <li>• Global Rank: 4th place after China, US, Germany.</li> <li>• Top States: Gujarat, Tamil Nadu, Karnataka.</li> <li>• Highest growth in 2024–25: Karnataka, Tamil Nadu, Gujarat.</li> </ul>
<b>Number of Asiatic Lions in Gujarat</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2020: 674 → 2025: 891</li> <li>• 16th Asian Lion Census (10–13 May 2025).</li> <li>• ~35,000 sq. km area in 11 districts.</li> <li>• The only natural habitat of Asiatic lions is Gujarat.</li> </ul>
<b>PMFME Scheme 2024–25</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Bihar secured the first position in the country.</li> <li>• 10,296 loans sanctioned; Distribution of 6,589.</li> <li>• 63% loan disbursement – highest.</li> </ul>
<b>Energy Statistics India 2025 Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• TPES in FY 2023–24: Up 7.8% to 9,03,158 KTOE.</li> <li>• Renewable capacity as of 31st March 2024: 1,98,213 MW.</li> <li>• 2015–24 CAGR (RE): 10.36%</li> <li>• Energy consumption per capita: 18,410 MJ.</li> </ul>
<b>Madhya Pradesh: State with the highest number of vultures</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Number of vultures: 12,981.</li> <li>• A total of 7 species (4 endemic, 3 migratory).</li> <li>• Important in ecological balance.</li> </ul>
<b>Great Backyard Bird Count 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Organised: 14–17 February 2025.</li> <li>• 1,068 species recorded in India.</li> <li>• West Bengal tops for the third time in a row (543 species).</li> </ul>

### Report released by NITI Aayog

Report	Key Points
<b>Fiscal Health Index (FHI) 2025</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Based on CAG data of 2022–23 by NITI Aayog.</li> <li>• Assessment of Fiscal Stability of 18 Major States.</li> <li>• Achievers: Odisha (67.8), Chhattisgarh, Goa, Jharkhand, Gujarat.</li> <li>• Front Runners: Maharashtra, UP, Telangana, MP, Karnataka.</li> <li>• Performers: Tamil Nadu, Rajasthan, Bihar, Haryana.</li> <li>• Aspirants: Punjab, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Kerala.</li> </ul>
<b>NER SDG Index Report 2023–24</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NITI Aayog + DoNER Ministry; Technical Cooperation: UNDP.</li> <li>• Evaluation of 121 districts of 8 NE States.</li> <li>• Top district: Hnahathial (Mizoram) – 81.43.</li> <li>• Final: Longding (Arunachal Pradesh).</li> <li>• 84 indicators; 85% districts in the 'Front Runner' category.</li> </ul>
<b>"\$200 Billion Opportunity: Electric Vehicles in India" report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Released on August 4, 2025.</li> <li>• Target 30% EV sales by 2030.</li> <li>• EV sales: 50,000 in 2016 → 20.8 lakh in 2024.</li> <li>• Strategies, challenges, and solutions for EV transition.</li> </ul>
<b>'Future Front' Series (Third Edition)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Released on 24 June 2025.</li> <li>• Title: India's Data Imperative: The Pivot Towards Quality.</li> <li>• Emphasis on data quality in digital governance and service delivery.</li> </ul>
<b>"Designing a Policy for Medium Enterprises" Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Released on 26 May 2025.</li> <li>• Objective: To unleash the hidden potential of medium enterprises.</li> </ul>

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• MSME Contribution: GDP 29%, Exports 40%, Employment 60%+.</li> <li>• Medium enterprises only 0.3% but 40% share in exports.</li> </ul>
<b>NITI Aayog Report on Automotive Industry</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• India is the 4th largest auto producer globally.</li> <li>• Global Production in 2023: 94 million units.</li> <li>• Make in India and cheap labour should make India a global hub.</li> </ul>
<b>Hand &amp; Power Tools Export Report</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Topic: Unlocking \$25+ Billion Export Potential</li> <li>• Global Markets: \$100 bn → \$190 bn by 2035.</li> <li>• India's share is low; Goal: Hand tools 25%, power tools 10%.</li> <li>• China Global Leader.</li> </ul>
<b>Financial Health Index (FHI)</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• First FHI released on 24th January 2025.</li> <li>• Top State: Odisha (67.8).</li> <li>• Achievers: Odisha, Chhattisgarh, Goa, Jharkhand.</li> <li>• Aspirants: Punjab, Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal, Kerala.</li> </ul>

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