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BRICS 2026

- The 18th BRICS Summit took place in New Delhi, India, at Bharat Mandapam from 12 to 13 September 2026. This marked India's fourth time hosting the summit as the group's leader.



Key point:

- **Dates:** 12 and 13 September, 2026
- **Location:** Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi, India
- **Host:** India hosted the summit for the fourth time as the group's leader.
- **Milestone:** The year 2026 marks 20 years since the creation of BRICS.
- **Theme:** "Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability"

Key Highlights of the New Delhi Declaration:

- **Reformed Multilateralism:** All BRICS members expressed support for a more democratic, fair, responsible and efficient world order, with the United Nations at the centre.
- **UNSC Reforms:** BRICS members called for major changes in the UN Security Council, including giving more say to developing countries. China and Russia, as permanent members, supported the aspirations of Brazil and India to have a larger role, especially in the UNSC.
- **Global South:** BRICS reaffirmed its role in representing Emerging Markets and Developing Countries, including Least Developed Countries, mainly from Africa, Asia and Latin America.
- **Trade & Finance:** Members opposed unfair trade barriers and sanctions and supported reforms in the WTO, restoration of its dispute resolution system and greater participation of developing countries in the IMF and World Bank.
- **Intra-BRICS Trade:** Members wanted closer economic ties, strong supply chains and solutions for trade using local currencies.
- **Conflicts:** The declaration condemned wars started without consent and encouraged peaceful ways to solve disputes. It took a strong stand on Palestine and Lebanon, including issues like humanitarian aid, Palestinian rights and the two-state solution.

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- **West Asia Compromise:** References to attacks on Iran by the U.S. and Israel and Iran's responses, were removed at the last minute as a compromise between Iran and the UAE.
- **Terrorism:** BRICS strongly condemned a terrorist attack in Jammu and Kashmir on April 22, 2025, which killed 26 people. The group called for no tolerance of terrorism and its funding.

About BRICS



- BRICS was originally known as BRIC (2001, coined by Jim O'Neill) and became BRICS in 2010 when South Africa joined.
- **Members:** Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa.
- Membership has now expanded to include Egypt, Ethiopia, Iran, Saudi Arabia, the United Arab Emirates and Indonesia.

Objectives:

- Promote a world with multiple centres of power.
- Reform global institutions like the IMF, World Bank and UNSC.
- Strengthen cooperation among developing nations.
- Support sustainable development and fair growth.

Significance:

- The combined GDP of BRICS nations in dollar terms in 2026 is over $32 trillion, which makes up 28%–30% of the world's total GDP.
- In terms of Purchasing Power Parity (PPP), BRICS has a GDP of $78 trillion, representing more than 40% of the world's GDP, which is more than the G7's share of 27.8% in PPP terms.

Institutional Mechanisms

New Development Bank (NDB) (2014)

- Headquarters: Shanghai
- **Purpose:** Provides financial support for infrastructure and sustainable development projects
- Viewed as an alternative to the dominance of the World Bank and IMF.

Contingent Reserve Arrangement (CRA):

- Offers financial help during crises.
- Helps reduce reliance on financial systems controlled by Western countries.

BRICS Presidency

- BRICS Presidency is when a member country leads the forum for a year.
- The presidency rotates among members in accordance with the acronym itself: B-R-I-C-S (Brazil, Russia, India, China and South Africa).

National News

- On 9 September, 2026, the Odisha Government signed agreements in

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the United Arab Emirates to attract ₹2.10 Lakh Crore Investment.

- On 5 September, 2026, Kumik village has become Ladakh's First Heritage Village.
- On 17 September, 2026, PM Narendra Modi inaugurated SEMICON India 2026 at Yashobhoomi in New Delhi.
- India's cheetah population has risen to 52 four years after the reintroduction of Project Cheetah.
- On 16 September 2026, IIM Bangalore became the highest-ranked institution, at 64th globally, in the QS Global MBA Rankings 2027.
- On 16 September 2026, India has been ranked 131st in the Global Gender Gap Index 2026; Iceland tops the list.
- On 16 September 2026, Delhi has ranked 1st in the India Electric Mobility Index 2025 published by NITI Aayog.
- On 17 September 2026, PM Vishwakarma has completed three years, with 30 lakh artisans registered.
- On 19 September 2026, PM Modi has inaugurated the NGT International Conference 2026 in New Delhi.
- On 28 September 2026, Tamil Nadu has launched the One-Gram Gold Ring Scheme for Newborns.
- On 18 September 2026, Tulu was added as an additional official language of Dakshina Kannada and Udupi districts in Karnataka.
- On 17 September 2026, MP has become the first state to launch Swamitva Adhikar Abhilekh Nispadan Evam Panjiyan Yojana 2026 for Free Rural Property Registration.
- On 6 September 2026, Union Home Minister Amit Shah launched the Nasha Mukt Bharat 2029 Roadmap.
- On September 5, 2026, Vice President C.P. Radhakrishnan released a commemorative postage stamp marking 75 years of Dinamalar in Chennai.
- On 4 September 2026, Birkbeck, University of London, has received a UGC Letter of Approval for the Bengaluru Campus.
- On 8 September 2026, Lucknow has ranked 1st in Swachh Vayu Sarvekshan 2026 City Rankings.
- APNIC 62 is hosted by the National Internet Exchange of India (NIXI) and the Internet Service Providers Association of India (ISPAI) in Mumbai from 4 to 10 September 2026.
- On 7 September 2026, Uttarakhand CM Pushkar Singh launched 'Mukhyamantri Yuva Bhavishya Nirman Yojana' for Competitive Exam Preparation.
- On 12 September 2026, Southern Railway achieved 100% electrification after 95 years.
- On 8 September 2026, the Bihar Industries Department signed a UAE Partnership to develop a food processing park.

- On 10 September 2026, the University of Bristol opened its first international campus in Mumbai.
- India has hosted the 10th World Circular Economy Forum 2026 in Gandhinagar from September 15 to 18, 2026.
- On 1 September 2026, India rejected the Hague Court of Arbitration's ruling on the Indus Waters Treaty.
- On 1 September 2026, the 4th Indo-German Environmental Forum was held in New Delhi.
- On 2 September 2026, PM Narendra Modi addressed the Jal Shakti summit in Delhi.
- On 2 September 2026, IIT Madras and UNESCO MGIEP have partnered to develop next-gen AI and immersive learning technologies.
- UN Chief Antonio Guterres participated in the 18th BRICS Summit in New Delhi on 12–13 September 2026.
- The 18th Meeting of Heads of Intellectual Property Offices of BRICS Countries was held in New Delhi from September 1 to 3, 2026.
- On 1 September 2026, LIC introduced new Bima Platinum and Jeevan Raksha policies on its 70th anniversary.
- India is planning to add 100 airports by 2036 under the ₹ 30,000 Crore UDAN Push.
- On 2 September 2026, the International Big Cat Alliance and the Asian Development Bank signed an MoU for Tiger Landscape Conservation and Nature-Positive Financing.
- The Supreme Court of India hosted BRICS Chief Justices' Forum in New Delhi from September 4 to 6, 2026.
- India has hosted the iBRICS Global Sovereign Capital Summit in New Delhi on 12–13 September 2026.
- On 29 September 2026, Gujarat restructured the Porbandar forest division to strengthen forest management and prepare Barda as a second home for Asiatic lions amid a rise in the state's lion population.
- On 30 September 2026, the Centre sanctioned more than ₹1,200 crore under PM-RKVY to 10 states and announced Khet Bachao Abhiyan from October 22 to November 30, focusing on soil health and balanced fertiliser use.
- On 29 September 2026, UIDAI launched five new initiatives at Aadhaar Samvaad Kolkata on Aadhaar Day 2026, including Face Authentication for ePDS, SWIK Portal 2.0 and a Sub-AUA/Sub-KUA framework.
- On 29 September 2026, Union Minister Bhupender Yadav handed over India's first PRAMAAN certificates to Andhra Pradesh Forest Development Corporation (APFDC) in view of their plantations on 33,000 hectares of land as well as to Govind Mohapatra, who is a bamboo farmer of Odisha Bamboo Development Agency.

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- On 29 September 2026, the FASTag Annual Pass has crossed one crore passes issued since its August 2025 launch. The ₹ 3,075 pass offers one-year validity or 200 toll plaza crossings at about 1,150 plazas.
- On 28 September 2026, Union Home Minister Amit Shah unveiled the new "Extradition Portal" in New Delhi to enhance coordination and increase the pace of returning fugitives. As per the Ministry of Home Affairs report, there are 288 fugitive criminals returned from 36 different countries from 2019 to 2026.
- On 26 September 2026, Kandla is developing India's first port-based e-methanol facility, with a planned 150 TPD capacity to support green shipping and alternative marine fuels.
- On 27 September 2026, India's first LNG-powered train was flagged off from Sabarmati Railway Station in Ahmedabad, Gujarat, by Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah. This venture seeks to utilise LNG as an alternative fuel source in the operations of railways through the adoption of a dual-fuel LNG-diesel model.
- On 26 September 2026, the Union Government has notified Deendayal (Kandla), Jawaharlal Nehru, Paradip and Mundra as mega ports under the Indian Ports Act, 2025, with cargo thresholds of 150 MMT or 7.5 million TEUs.
- On 25 September 2026, FSSAI proposed restricting the manufacture and sale of non-milk products as paneer, with a 60-day consultation period under draft Food Safety regulations.
- On 23 September 2026, at the side event of the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA 81), India has reaffirmed its commitment to eliminate Hepatitis B and C as public health threats by 2030, focusing on prevention, screening, diagnosis, treatment and care.
- On 21 September 2026, the 7th National Formulary of India 2026 was launched by Anupriya Patel in New Delhi to promote rational and safe use of medicines, and strengthen pharmacovigilance.
- On 18 September 2026, the state-owned Oil and Natural Gas Corporation (ONGC) made a gas discovery in the deepwater basin of the Mahanadi in Odisha, which is the first-ever discovery from a well drilled by the company in line with its Samudra Manthan programme.
- On 21 September 2026, India co-sponsored the inaugural Partners for Multilateralism, International Law, Peace and Prosperity (P4M) Summit, held on the sidelines of the 81st session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in New York. External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar represented India and called

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for stronger and reformed multilateralism amid geopolitical tensions, conflicts and pressure on the international order.

- On 18 September 2026, India emerged as the top country for its business climate amongst 41 global markets in the 2026 Global Business Climate Survey by the Swedish Chamber of Commerce in India (SCCI).
- On 16 September 2026, the Union Cabinet decided to enhance mandatory social security coverage by increasing the wage ceiling limit of the Employees' Provident Fund Organisation (EPFO) from ₹ 15,000 to ₹ 25,000 per month. The initiative is likely to cover an additional 51 lakh workers in the ambit of mandatory EPFO coverage.
- On 5 September 2026, Shekhawati havelis of Rajasthan were announced to be listed on the UNESCO Tentative List. Characterised by colourful façades, ornate frescoes, extensive courtyards and grand architecture, these historic mansions offer visual documentation of the lifestyle of northeastern Rajasthan. This includes historic properties located in 14 towns such as Mandawa, Nawalgarh, Fatehpur and Churu.
- On 8 September 2026, Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched the Global Fintech Fest 2026 in Mumbai, making next-generation technology, financial inclusion and consumer trust the focus of India's fintech policy.
- On 7 September 2026, the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Amit Shah, presided over the 28th meeting of the Western Zonal Council held in Panaji, Goa. The meeting was attended by the Chief Ministers of Goa, Gujarat and Maharashtra, and the Administrator of Dadra and Nagar Haveli and Daman and Diu.
- On 30 September 2026, Jharkhand's traditional Mandar percussion instrument has received a GI tag, recognising its unique craftsmanship, red-clay construction, sound and deep connection with the state's tribal and folk culture.
- On 25 September 2026, the Central Government has renewed the application of the Armed Forces (Special Powers) Act, 1958 (AFSPA), in certain areas of Manipur, Nagaland and Arunachal Pradesh for an additional six months. The renewal will come into effect from October 1, 2026, till March 31, 2027, or until such earlier withdrawal.
- On 21 September 2026, Delhi CM Rekha Gupta launched the Delhi PM Surya Ghar portal on 21 September 2026. It offers up to ₹1.56 lakh in combined subsidy for 3 kW rooftop solar, with a 2.30 lakh household target. NDMC also cleared EV and AYUSH hospital plans.

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- On 24 September 2026, Punjab notified an 8-percentage-point DA increase for state government employees and pensioners from September 1, 2026, raising the DA rate from 42% to 50%.
- On 23 September 2026, Bharat Taxi was launched in Lucknow, Gorakhpur, Varanasi, Kanpur and Prayagraj. This cooperative ride-hailing service works on the principle of "Driver is the Owner".
- On 23 September 2026, Andhra Pradesh Police launched an AI-based Centralised Drone Monitoring Portal and SafeStay AP app to improve surveillance, crime prevention and public safety.
- The Assam government will make all government offices paperless from January 1, 2027, under the e-Office system to improve transparency, efficiency and digital governance.
- On September 15, 2026, Karnataka has officially recognised September 15 as "Engineers' Day" and allowed engineers to use the professional prefix 'Er.' before their names from 2026.
- On 7 September 2026, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Amit Shah conferred the President's Colour on Goa Police in Panaji for the force's eight decades of dedicated service, bravery and professionalism.
- On 1 September 2026, Gollala Gudi, a Kakatiya-era temple in Telangana's Mulugu district, was declared a monument of national importance by the ASI for its heritage value.

International News

- On 29 September 2026, Morocco's King Mohammed VI appointed Fatima Ezzahra El Mansouri as the country's first woman Prime Minister (Head of Government) and entrusted her with forming a new government.
- The 55th Pacific Islands Forum Leaders' Meeting was held in Palau from August 30 to September 4, 2026.
- On 6 September 2026, Mount Anak Krakatau Eruption Disrupts Air Travel Across Indonesia.
- On 4 September 2026, the United Nations has declared November 27 as a day against child marriage.
- On 7 September 2026, India joins the US and 24 other nations in a global initiative to shape next-generation 6G networks.
- The 27th World Knowledge Forum was held in Seoul from September 8 to 10, 2026.
- On 6 September 2026, France gets its first traditional Hindu temple; BAPS chief performs consecration near Paris.
- Inaugural International Space Summit 2026 Held in Paris, France, on September 9 and 10, 2026.
- On 9 September 2026, PhonePe has announced that it is going to launch UAE operations in its first international market foray.

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- On 21 September 2026, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar led the Indian delegation at the 81st Session of UNGA in New York.
- On 3 September 2026, the Bank of Canada unveiled a new $20 banknote featuring King Charles III.
- On 25 September 2026, External Affairs Minister S.Jaishankar signed the UN Convention against Cybercrime, which helps countries work together to tackle cybercrime and handle electronic evidence more effectively.
- On 24 September 2026, India and the Netherlands started working together in the area of water management through two Tripartite Memorandums of Understanding (MoUs) related to the Kalpasar Project in Gujarat. These MoUs were signed by the Central Water Commission of India and the Kalpasar Department of Gujarat on one side and by Deltares and TU Delft, which are organisations based in the Netherlands, on the other side.
- Bangladesh Foreign Secretary Asad Alam Siam will become Bangladesh's new envoy to India, replacing his predecessor as the head of Bangladesh's High Commission in New Delhi. This comes at a key time for the relationship between the two countries. The decision aligns with ongoing talks between India and Bangladesh about when Prime Minister Tarique Rahman of Bangladesh plans to visit India, which might happen in November.
- On 22 September 2026, the United States, Denmark and Greenland agreed to revise and improve the 1951 Defence Agreement on Greenland. This update will change how the agreement works, especially regarding U.S.military activities in the Arctic island.
- The India-New Zealand Free Trade Agreement will become active on October 20, 2026, marking a new chapter in trade relations between the two countries. Both nations have signed the agreement, which officially came into effect after both sides approved it. The deal gives Indian exporters access to 100% of New Zealand's tariff lines without paying duties at the start.
- On 19 September 2026, U.S. President Donald Trump signed a law that allows him to impose tariffs of up to 100% on countries that buy Russian oil and gas.
- On 18 September 2026, Japan's central bank raised its main interest rate to 1.25%, up from 1%. This is the highest level Japan has seen since 1995. The decision reflects a move away from the long-standing negative interest rate policy, influenced by rising energy costs, a weak yen and increasing prices.
- On 16 September 2026, the U.S. Federal Reserve raised the target range for the federal funds rate by 25 basis points (0.25 percentage points), from 3.50%–3.75% to 3.75%–4.00%, effective 17 September 2026.

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- On September 14, 2026, Scotland, Wales and Northern Ireland signed a significant agreement calling for more autonomy and constitutional changes, challenging the control of the UK government in Westminster.
- On 14 September 2026, Italian Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni achieved a political milestone by leading a government that has been in power for 1,413 consecutive days. This is the longest continuous period any government has ruled in the history of the Italian Republic, excluding the time of the fascist regime led by Benito Mussolini.

Banking and Financial

- On 14 September 2026, MoSPI reported that India's retail inflation, measured by the Consumer Price Index (CPI), rose to 4.82% in August 2026 from 4.45% in July. Food inflation, measured by the Consumer Food Price Index (CFPI), increased to 5.95% from 5.52% during the same period. The figures are provisional and based on the CPI series (2024 = 100).
- On 10 September 2026, SBI Mutual Fund has launched 'Aarambh' for first-time investors.
- On 11 September 2026, IRDAI has imposed a ₹1 crore penalty on Canara HSBC Life Insurance Company over mis-selling of a deferred annuity policy to an 88-year-old senior citizen.
- The Central Government has granted Dinesh Pant's voluntary retirement as LIC Managing Director from September 24, 2026.
- On 22 September 2026, US-based global coffee chain Starbucks signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) with the Tamil Nadu government to establish its first Global Capability Centre (GCC) in India. The new technology hub will be located in Chennai and is expected to create around 800 high-value technology jobs in its first phase.
- On 19 September 2026, Warren Buffett stepped down as Berkshire Hathaway chairman after more than 50 years. His son Howard Buffett becomes chairman, while Greg Abel continues as CEO.
- On 17 September 2026, RBI has cancelled licences of 5 NBFCs; 8 others surrender registrations.
- On 18 September 2026, Moody's has raised India's FY27 growth forecast to 7% from 6%.
- On 16 September 2026, GIFT City jumps nine places to 37th in global financial centres ranking.
- On 19 September 2026, India Ranks First in Business Climate Among 41 Global Markets, as per the Swedish Chamber Survey.
- Gwalior is set to get Asia's first Telecom Manufacturing Zone with ₹5,500 crore investment
- On 21 September 2026, RBI has issued final Basel III market risk capital rules for banks.

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- On 4 September 2026, LIC has received RBI approval to acquire up to a 9.99% stake in ICICI Bank.
- On 4 September 2026, RBI has given the scheduled bank status to Coastal Bank.
- On 7 September 2026, Asian Development Bank has signed the first transaction advisory services mandate in India with Madhya Pradesh.
- On 8 September 2026, Bandhan Bank has launched a new credit card range in partnership with Mastercard.
- On 8 September 2026, Niyo has got a GIFT City licence and plans to expand cross-border financial services.
- On 9 September 2026, RNFI Services, PB Pay and ICICI Prudential AMC Receive Regulatory Nod from RBI.
- Axis Bank has launched Sparsh Week 2026 with the theme 'Act with Speed' from September 7 to 11, 2026.
- On 15 September 2026, the Government announced a 0.4% Merchant Discount Rate (MDR) on specified UPI merchant transactions above ₹ 2,000, capped at ₹ 300. Person-to-person transfers, eligible small merchants and customers remain exempt. Implementation, initially set for 15 October 2026, may be deferred to January 2027, pending official confirmation.
- On 14 September 2026, India's Wholesale Price Index (WPI)-based inflation rose to 9.92% in August 2026 from 9.78% in July, according to provisional data released by the Ministry of Commerce and Industry (Base Year: 2022–23).
- On 9 September 2026, NIPL and FOMO Pay have partnered to enable UPI QR Payments in Singapore.
- On 9 September 2026, Pluxee India has received an RBI Payment Aggregator Licence, strengthening its Digital Payments Capabilities.
- On 9 September 2026, JSW and Skoda-Volkswagen have signed an MoU for a 51:49 India JV.
- On 2 September 2026, India's sovereign credit rating was upgraded to 'A-' with Stable Outlook by Japan Credit Rating Agency.
- On 3 September 2026, Axis Bank and Scapia have launched a traveller-focused 'Scapia Axis Bank Credit Card'.
- On 3 September 2026, Nvidia has agreed to acquire Hugging Face in a $12.93 billion AI Deal.
- India's current account deficit widens to $4.2 billion in Q1 (April to June 2026-27) as per data published on September 1, 2026.
- On 7 September 2026, Razorpay and IndusInd Bank have launched AI Account Manager 'RAY' on WhatsApp for Businesses.
- GST collections jumped 14.8% to ₹1.99 lakh crore in August 2026, as per data published on September 1, 2026.

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Appointment and Resignation

- On 16 September 2026, 'Iron Lady of Assam' Sanjukta Parasor has become the first woman officer to lead CRPF's CoBRA unit.
- On 17 September 2026, N. Chandrasekaran was reappointed Tata Sons Chairman for Five Years.
- On 25 September 2026, the Union government nominated Mandeep K Bhandari, an Indian Administrative Service (IAS) officer of the Arunachal Pradesh-Goa-Mizoram and Union Territories (AGMUT) cadre batch of 2001, as the new chairman of the Central Board of Secondary Education (CBSE).
- On 23 September 2026, India TV chairman & editor-in-chief Rajat Sharma has been elected as the president of the News Broadcasters and Digital Association (NBDA) for 2026-27 in a unanimous decision taken by the association's board of directors during their meeting.
- On 2 September 2026, Air Marshal Jeetendra Mishra, who has retired, has been chosen to be the first Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust in Ayodhya. The move comes at a time when the trust is beefing up its administration and finances amid a scandal over the theft of donations meant for building the Ram temple. Mishra boasts of more than three decades of experience in the Indian Air Force.
- Nobel laureate Michael Kremer took charge as the World Bank chief economist on October 1, 2026.
- On 18 September 2026, the United Nations has appointed Luke Lindberg to head the World Food Programme.
- On 21 September 2026, Karan Yadav was appointed the new Indian Super League CEO.
- On 22 September 2026, Jayanti Prasad has taken additional charge as Insolvency and Bankruptcy Board chairperson.
- On 5 September 2026, BJP MP Dinesh Sharma was appointed Lieutenant Governor of Andaman and Nicobar.
- On 7 September 2026, Asian Paints has named Leo Puri as the next chairman.
- On 4 September 2026, Vinaya Prakash Singh was re-elected as Secretary-General of the Asian-Pacific Postal Union for a second term.
- On 1 September 2026, John Ternus officially succeeded Tim Cook as Apple CEO after 15 years.
- On 2 September 2026, Sai Giridhar was appointed as the 38th President of FADA.
- On 1 September 2026, Shakti Sharma became the 1st Non-Medical Woman Two-Star Officer.
- On 1 September 2026, Vodafone Idea appointed Shah Rukh Khan as Brand Ambassador and launched a new logo.

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- On 3 September 2026, Adobe announced Anil Chakravarthy as its next President and CEO, effective 1 December 2026, succeeding Shantanu Narayen, who will become Executive Chair.
- On 3 September 2026, Ulle Madise was elected as the new President of Estonia.
- On 1 September 2026, Vice Admiral Dilip Raghavan assumed the position of Director General, Hospital Services (Armed Forces).

Awards

- On 28 September 2026, Music composer Shantanu Moitra received the National Lata Mangeshkar Award 2026 in Indore for his contribution to music direction.
- On 14 September 2026, the Department of Financial Services has won the First Prize in the Rajbhasha Kirti Awards for Hindi Implementation
- On 14 September 2026, Vasundhara Doraswamy will receive the Excellence Award 2026.
- Chennai-born Sethuraman Panchanathan has been named the 2026 Bueche Award recipient, becoming the first Indian American to receive the honour.
- On 16 September 2026, Veteran actor Anant Nag has received the Dadasaheb Phalke Award for 2024.
- Marathi Thriller Gondhal has been selected as India's Official Entry to the Oscars 2027.
- On 21 September 2026, Film Angh, directed by Naga filmmaker, won the Platform Prize at the 2026 Toronto International Film Festival.
- On 5 September 2026, Joheirry Mola of the Dominican Republic was crowned Miss World 2026.
- On 7 September 2026, Gujarat-born scientist Karim Maredia has been named the Borlaug CAST Communication Award.
- On 7 September 2026, Kishore Makwana has won the APJ Abdul Kalam Jan Seva Award 2026.

Science

- On 16 September 2026, Djibouti becomes the 72nd Country and 8th African Nation to join the Artemis Accords.
- On 5 September 2026, a German space rocket has reached orbit in Europe's first commercial launch.
- On 9 September 2026, the US-India TRUST Fellowship has supported Science Research Collaboration.
- On 8 September 2026, India and Sweden have partnered to leverage AI and emerging tech to foster innovation.
- On 9 September 2026, ISRO has successfully tested the CE20 cryogenic engine for the LVM3-M7 mission.
- On 4 September 2026, ISRO successfully launched Earth observation satellite EOS-05 from Sriharikota, Andhra Pradesh.

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- On 28 September 2026, SpaceX Starship achieved a first orbital flight milestone. The giant reusable spacecraft deployed 26 next-generation Starlink satellites before an early splashdown.
- On 24 September 2026, the UK launched No. III Space Effects Squadron, its first dedicated military unit to counter hostile activity in space and protect critical satellites.
- On 3 September 2026, OpenAI introduced GPT-6 Astra, an advanced AI model designed for complex, multistep tasks, including coding, research and computer operations, with enhanced autonomous capabilities and safety safeguards.
- The Indian Space Research Organisation (ISRO) and the European Space Agency (ESA) have extended their long-standing Cooperative Agreement until January 8, 2032, further solidifying their collaboration in space exploration and research.
- The agreement was renewed through an exchange of letters in Paris on September 10, 2026, during the International Space Summit.
- Astronomers have discovered the youngest planet ever identified in human history, named Elias 2-24 b, which is less than one million years old. This gas giant, with a mass similar to Jupiter, is still in the process of forming within its protoplanetary disk. The discovery was officially announced by NASA on 16 September 2026.

Defence

- On 15 September 2026, the Central Industrial Security Force and IIT Kanpur have signed twin MoUs to boost cybersecurity and counter-drone capabilities.
- The 13th edition of the Sri Lanka–India Naval Exercise (SLINEX-26) is being conducted at Visakhapatnam, Andhra Pradesh from September 17 to 26, 2026.
- On 20 September 2026, India's Indigenous Long-Range Attack Drone KAL was successfully tested at Pokhran, Rajasthan.
- TARANG SHAKTI 2026 Multinational Air Exercise began on September 26 at Air Force Station Jodhpur, Rajasthan.
- The 18th edition of India-Mongolia Exercise Nomadic Elephant began in Pithoragarh, Uttarakhand from September 21, 2026.
- India and Japan have conducted the two-week air exercise, 2nd Edition Veer Guardian 2026, in Jodhpur from 9 to 22 September 2026.
- On 5 September 2026, Adani Defence has signed a five-year ammunition deal to strengthen the AK-203 Rifle Programme.
- On 7 September 2026, India has launched the SHIELD Programme for Microwave Defence testing.
- INS Mysore Concludes Participation in the 4th Edition of Exercise Samudra Laksamana at Lumut, Malaysia, from September 9 to 12, 2026.

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- 22nd India-US Yudh Abhyas was held in a two-theatre format in Rajasthan and Uttarakhand from 9 to 28 September 2026.
- On 8 September 2026, the Indian Army conducted the 'Rudra Raptors' Joint Exercise in Rajasthan's Jaisalmer.
- The Indian Armed Forces have sent a 60-member team to Oskemen, Kazakhstan, for participation in the India–Kazakhstan Joint Military Exercise KAZIND, scheduled from September 28 to October 11, 2026.
- On 11 September 2026, Stanzin Tsangyang became Kargil's first woman officer and the first from Zanskar district to join the Indian Army, marking a historic milestone after years of perseverance.
- On 2 September 2026, the IAF successfully tested the indigenous Khagantak-243 Long-Range Glide Bomb in Rajasthan.

Sports

- On 13 September 2026, Ganges Grandmasters won their maiden Global Chess League title.
- On 13 September 2026, India won both the Men's and Women's Junior Asia Cup Hockey Titles in China.
- On 14 September 2026, Dhiraj Bommadevara has won the historic Archery World Cup final gold for India.
- On 15 September 2026, Zimbabwe's Brendan Taylor breaks Sachin Tendulkar's record for the longest career in Men's ODIs.
- On 18 September 2026, Manu Bhaker and Tajinderpal Singh Toor were India's flag-bearers for the 20th Asian Games 2026 in Japan.
- On 18 September 2026, Yugan Sakthivel Muthukumaar won gold in men's trap at the ISSF Junior World Cup.
- India will host the 11th Asian Senior Wushu Championships for the first time in 2028.
- On 6 September 2026, Kimi Antonelli won the Italian Grand Prix at Monza.
- On 6 September 2026, India's U-20 football team qualified for the AFC U-20 Asian Cup China 2027 after 20 years.
- On 6 September 2026, Satwiksairaj Rankireddy and Chirag Shetty won the China Masters Title 2026.
- On 10 September 2026, East Zone clinched the Duleep Trophy after 13 years.
- On 13 September 2026, India won its record eighth Women's Asia Cup Title after defeating Sri Lanka in the final.
- Ahmedabad hosted India's first Hyundai World Archery Para Series from September 5 to 8, 2026.
- On 2 September 2026, the ICC approved India as the new host of the Women's Champions Trophy 2027.
- On 3 September 2026, Keyaa Banerji won Silver at the IPF World Championships with a historic lift.

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- On 30 September 2026, Indian captain Shubman Gill scored an unbeaten 223 off 133 balls against the West Indies in the second ODI at Guwahati. He reached his double century in just 117 balls, breaking Ishan Kishan's record of 126 balls (2022), as India registered an eight-wicket victory.
- On 30 September 2026, Kushal Dalal, Sahil Jadhav and Ganesh Thirumuru defeated China 238-237 to win men's compound team gold at the Asian Games 2026 in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan.
- On 30 September 2026, Neeru Dhanda and Kynan Chenai won gold in the trap mixed team event at the Asian Games 2026, setting an Asian record with 34 points at the Aichi General Shooting Range.
- On 29 September 2026, Vithya Ramraj delivered a sensational performance at the 2026 Asian Games held in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan. On September 28, she broke the 42-year record of the legendary P.T. Usha in the women's 400-metre hurdles, in which she finished in third position and completed the race in 54.75 seconds.
- On 30 September 2026, India won two compound archery gold medals at the Asian Games 2026, with Sahil Jadhav and Chikitha Taniparthi winning mixed team gold and the women's team equalling a world record.
- On 29 September 2026, Neeru Dhanda won India's fifth gold medal at the Asian Games 2026, after securing the women's individual trap title with 26 points in the final.
- On 29 September 2026, Yashvir Singh won silver with a personal-best 85.72 m and Rohit Yadav took bronze in the men's javelin at the Asian Games 2026, while Sri Lanka's Rumesh Pathirage claimed gold with 88.55m.
- In September 2026, Indian-origin British chess prodigy Bodhana Sivanandan became the youngest-ever Woman Grandmaster (WGM) at age 11 after securing her third and final WGM norm at the 46th Chess Olympiad in Samarkand, Uzbekistan. Representing England, she scored 8 points in 11 rounds.
- On 28 September 2026, Esha Singh won silver in the women's 25 m pistol at the Asian Games 2026, after a dramatic shoot-off against China's Xiao Jiaruixuan in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan.
- On 28 September 2026, Anahat Singh became the first Indian woman to win a singles squash silver medal, while Abhay Singh secured his second-place finish at the Asian Games 2026 in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan.
- On 28 September 2026, India won silver at the 2026 Chess Olympiad in Samarkand with 18 match points and 28.5 game points. Uzbekistan won gold with 20 points, while Germany secured bronze.
- On 26 September 2026, India defeated Iran 40-34 in the men's kabaddi

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final at the Asian Games 2026 to retain its gold medal. The victory gives India another continental title in Aichi-Nagoya.

- On 26 September 2026, Sawan Barwal won a silver medal in the men's marathon at the Asian Games 2026, ending India's 44-year wait for a medal in the event with a national-record 2:11:37.
- On 25 September 2026, India's Suruchi Singh and Kamaljeet defeated South Korea to win 10m air pistol mixed team gold at the Asian Games 2026, setting a new Asian record with 484.6 points.
- On 25 September 2026, BCCI has signed a title sponsorship deal worth up to ₹150 crore with Muthoot FinCorp for international matches organised by the board through March 2028.
- On 23 September 2026, Mirabai Chanu won silver in the women's 49 kg weightlifting event at the Asian Games 2026, lifting 198 kg and giving India its first weightlifting medal at the Games since 1998.
- On 23 September 2026, England pace bowler Mark Wood has retired from international cricket at the age of 36, ending an 11-year career with 253 wickets and two World Cup titles.
- On 21 September 2026, Savita Punia has become the most-capped player in Indian women's hockey after surpassing Vandana Katariya's 320 international appearances. Hockey India has announced a ₹10 lakh reward for her achievement.
- On 21 September 2026, Smriti Mandhana created history in Women's T20I cricket by surpassing Suzie Bates to become the format's leading run-scorer with 4,788 runs during India's Asian Games 2026 semifinal.
- On 21 September 2026, Suchika Tariyal won bronze in the women's traditional 60 kg mixed martial arts (MMA) event at the 20th Asian Games in Aichi-Nagoya, Japan, becoming India's first-ever MMA medallist at the Asian Games.
- On 18 September 2026, Tavengwa Mukuhlani, chairman of Zimbabwe Cricket, has been appointed ICC Deputy Chairperson until November 2027, succeeding Imran Khwaja after he departs from the ICC Board.
- On 18 September 2026, Abhishek Sharma smashed a 30-ball century against Afghanistan, breaking Rohit Sharma's Indian record for the fastest T20I hundred and finishing with 108 off 34 balls.
- On 13 September 2026, Germany's Alexander Zverev defeated American Ben Shelton 6–3, 7–6(7–2), 5–7, 6–2 to win the US Open men's singles title in New York. It was his second Grand Slam title of 2026, following his French Open victory.
- Elena Rybakina won the US Open women's singles title in 2026 against the first-seed player Aryna Sabalenka with a score of 6-4, 5-7, 6-2.

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- On 10 September 2026, India's Sheetal Devi won her first individual World Archery Para Series gold in Ahmedabad, beating Kazakhstan's Aizada Seidan in a dramatic compound women's shoot-off.

Book and Author

- On 15 September 2026, Vice-President C.P. Radhakrishnan released the book 'A Century of Service: The RSS in 100 Acts of Seva' authored by Tamilisai Soundararajan.

Important day

- 2 September: World Coconut Day (Theme 2026: "Coconut in Times of Uncertainty: Securing Food, Energy and Livelihoods")
- 3 September: Skyscraper Day
- 4 September: National Wildlife Day
- 5 September: International Day of Charity
- 5 September: Teachers' Day (India)
- 8 September: International Literacy Day (Theme 2026: "Literacy for people, the planet and prosperity")
- 8 September: World Physiotherapy Day
- 10 September: World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD) (Theme 2026: "Changing the Narrative on Suicide")
- September 11: National Forest Martyrs Day (Theme 2026: "Remembering Martyrs, Protecting Forests")
- 14 September: Hindi Diwas
- 9 September: Himalaya Diwas
- 9 September: World EV Day (Theme: "Switching Electric: driving down the cost of motoring")
- 12 September: World First Aid Day 2026 (second Saturday of September) (Theme 2026: "First Aid in Migration Contexts")
- 13 September: International Chocolate Day
- 15 September: National Engineers' Day (India) – 59th observance, commemorating the birth anniversary of Sir M. Visvesvaraya. Theme 2026: "Engineering Excellence for a Sustainable and Technologically Sovereign India."
- 15 September: International Day of Democracy (2026 Theme: "Bring human rights into focus")
- 16 September: World Ozone Day (Theme 2026: "Global Action for a Cooler Planet")
- 17 September: World Patient Safety Day (Theme 2026: "Safe care for non-communicable diseases")
- 18 September: World Bamboo Day (Theme 2026: "Bamboo Beyond Borders")
- 19 September: International Red Panda Day (Third Saturday of September) (Theme/Slogan 2026: "Run for Red Pandas")
- 18 September: International Equal Pay Day 2026 (Theme 2026: "Equal Pay for work of equal value — For everyone, everywhere")

- 21 September: International Day of Peace (UN) (Theme 2026: "Invest in Peace – For Everyone, Everywhere, Every Day")
- 21 September: World Alzheimer's Day (Theme 2026: "The Earlier You Know, The More You Can Do: A Dementia Diagnosis Matters")
- 22 September: Rose Day (Welfare of Cancer Patients) (Theme 2026: "Bring hope and support")
- 22 September: World Rhino Day (2026 Theme: "Keep the Five Alive")
- 23 September: International Day of Sign Languages (Theme 2026: "Declaring Deaf People's Human Rights")
- 24 September: World Maritime Day (Theme: From Policy to Practice: Powering Maritime Excellence)
- 25 September: World Lung Day (Theme: A Lifetime of Lung Health)
- 27 September: World Tourism Day
- 29 September: World Heart Day
- 30 September: International Translation Day

Obituary

- On 15 September 2026, Former Andhra Pradesh Deputy CM Alla Nani passed away at the age of 56.
- On 20 September 2026, Padma Shri Awardee and Cardiologist G. Vijayaraghavan passed away at the age of 84.
- On 4 September 2026, Influential Carnatic Musician S. R. Janakiraman passed away at the age of 98.
- On 7 September 2026, Award-winning Malayalam Filmmaker R Sarath passed away at the age of 65.
- On 11 September 2026, Veteran Tamil scholar, orator and Padma Shri Awardee Solomon Pappaiah passed away at the age of 90.
- On 3 September 2026, Gujarati music maestro Gaurang Vyas passed away at the age of 87.
- On 1 September 2026, two-time Grammy Award-winning American jazz singer Cassandra Wilson passed away at the age of 70 in Jackson, Mississippi, USA.

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