

PM expresses pride on the Unveiling of Dr. B.R. Ambedkar's Bust at UNESCO Headquarters, Paris on Constitution Day

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, has expressed immense pride on the unveiling of a bust of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris on Constitution Day. The Prime Minister stated that this historic occasion is a fitting tribute to Dr. Ambedkar and his pivotal role in the making of India's Constitution. He emphasized that Dr. Ambedkar's thoughts and ideals continue to give strength and hope to innumerable people across the world.

In a post on X, Shri Modi said:

"It is a matter of immense pride that today, on Constitution Day, a bust of Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar was unveiled at the UNESCO Headquarters in Paris. This is a fitting tribute to Dr. Ambedkar and his role in the making of our Constitution. His thoughts and ideals give strength and hope to innumerable people.



WAVES Film Bazaar 2025

WELCOME TO THE CLOSING CEREMONY OF



WAVES Film Bazaar 2025, organized alongside the 56th International Film Festival of India (IFFI), concluded on a high note, reaffirming India's position as a rising global hub for film production, collaboration, and market expansion. This year's edition witnessed exceptional international participation, landmark partnerships, and unmatched opportunities for content creators, distributors, and industry professionals.

Unprecedented Global Participation

This year, **2,500+ delegates from 40+ countries** participated in the five-day market, marking one of the largest international gatherings at a South Asian film market. A total of **320 projects** were showcased across the Viewing Room, Co-Production Market, Screenwriters' Lab, and Market Screenings, representing **15+ countries** and demonstrating strong global interest in India's content ecosystem.

Robust Business Activity and Market Impact

WAVES Film Bazaar 2025 facilitated a dynamic environment for networking, collaborations, and deal-making:

- **1200+ one-to-one closed-door business meetings** with **220+ buyers** from across the world
- Hundreds of open-ended meetings across various market sections
- Substantive business discussions and negotiations of worth **₹1050 crore**, reflecting the growing influence of the platform in enabling global partnerships.
 - over 320 closed door project discussions with a valuation of over Rs. 750 crores
 - Projects worth over Rs.200 cr discussed in open meetings by the delegates
 - MoUs worth of Rs. 100 Cr signed on the sidelines of the event.
- In a landmark development, WAVES Film Bazaar 2025 facilitated the signing of **four key MoUs** with Media & Entertainment based in Australia, greatly enhancing bilateral cooperation across education, distribution, talent development, and festival exchanges. This includes **MoU between International Film Festival of India, NFDC & Indian Film Festival of Melbourne** and **MoU between Deakin University, Film and Television Institute of India (FTII, Pune) & Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT, Mumbai)**

Strengthening Indo–Australian Collaboration: Four Major MoUs Signed

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A strategic three-year partnership to strengthen Indo–Australian screen relations through festival exchanges, producer labs, and a new **Waves Bazaar–IFFM Co-Distribution Fund**. The collaboration will boost curated screenings, premieres, training programmes, and joint promotion of creative projects across both countries.

1. MoU between Deakin University, Film and Television Institute of India (FTII, Pune) & Indian Institute of Creative Technologies (IICT, Mumbai)

An academic alliance focused on advancing film education through curriculum partnerships, student and faculty exchanges, specialised workshops, and collaborative learning pathways—aimed at nurturing the next generation of filmmakers and animators.

2. MoU between PVR INOX & Mind Blowing Films, Australia

A distribution-centric partnership enabling consistent nationwide theatrical releases of Australian films in India through the country's largest cinema chain. The agreement is expected to generate over **USD 5 million annually**, expanding market access for storytellers in both the countries.

3. MoU between PTC Punjabi and Temple Film Production Company, Australia

PTC Punjabi has partnered with Australian production company Temple to co-present three punjabi language feature films under the Australia-India Co-Production treaty. The estimated valuation of the projects is over 7 million USD.



Commemorating the historic adoption of the Constitution of India

Commemorating the historic adoption of the Constitution of India on 26 Nov. 1949, Mission officials led by Amb Arun Goel read out the Preamble of the Constitution, reaffirming our collective commitment to the values of justice, liberty, equality & fraternity.



The Indian Technical and Economic Cooperation (ITEC) programme

On the 21st November, Mrs. Pallavi Kararha, Head of Chancery, Embassy of India, Zagreb, received Ms. Ruzica Jajcevic, who will be travelling to India to attend the ITEC course 'Exploring the future of AI-powered MSME Entrepreneurship'.

Key points:

- ITEC is a flagship capacity-building initiative of the Ministry of External Affairs (India), offering fully-funded training & scholarship opportunities in a variety of fields.
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Applications are invited for the 85th Know India Programme (KIP) & Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue (VBYLD) 2026



Ministry of External Affairs Government of India

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AND

VIKSIT BHARAT YOUNG LEADERS DIALOGUE (VBYLD)

85th Edition

The Viksit Bharat Young Leaders Dialogue (VBYLD) 2026 marks the second edition of the reimagined National Youth Festival, advancing the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India's vision of Viksit Bharat @2047. Participants of the 85th KIP will have a unique opportunity to interact with youth leaders from across India during the VBYLD, in the august presence of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India.

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Observance of Rashtriya Ekta Diwas 2025

Rashtriya Ekta Diwas, also known as National Unity Day, is observed annually on October 31 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and to honor his pivotal role in fostering national and political integration and unity in India. The day underscores the importance of maintaining the sovereignty, peace and integrity of the nation, encouraging citizens to pledge their commitment to unity in diversity.





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The India–AI Impact Summit 2026, announced by Hon'ble Prime Minister Narendra Modi at the France AI Action Summit and scheduled for February 19–20 in New Delhi, will be the first-ever global AI summit hosted in the Global South.

Building on the momentum of leading international forums such as the UK AI Safety Summit, the AI Seoul Summit, the France AI Action Summit, and the Global AI Summit on Africa, this high-level convening marks a critical inflection point. It will strengthen existing multilateral initiatives while advancing new priorities, deliverables, and cooperative frameworks—moving from high-level political statements to demonstrable impact and tangible progress in global AI cooperation.

The Summit charts a path towards a future where the transformative power of AI serves humanity, drives inclusive growth, fosters social development, and promotes people-centric innovations that protect our planet. It also seeks to amplify the voice of the Global South, ensuring that technological advancements and opportunities are shared broadly, not concentrated in a few regions.

At the same time, AI's rapid proliferation across society poses urgent challenges—disrupting traditional employment patterns, exacerbating biases, and accelerating energy consumption. These developments highlight the pressing need to go beyond aspirational frameworks and deliver measurable, concrete impact that addresses both the promise and the perils of AI.

The Three Sutras

The India - AI Impact Summit will be anchored on three foundational pillars, known as 'Sutras'—a Sanskrit term meaning guiding principles or essential threads that weave together wisdom and action. These three Sutras define how AI can be harnessed through multilateral cooperation for collective benefit

People

The People Sutra envisions AI as a force for human progress—respecting cultural diversity, preserving dignity, and ensuring inclusion in its design and deployment. It affirms that technology must remain human-centred, advance people-first development while upholding safety, trust, and shared benefit.

Planet

The Planet Sutra calls for AI that advances innovation responsibly—reducing its resource footprint while accelerating climate resilience and environmental protection. It upholds that technological progress must align with planetary stewardship, ensuring AI strengthens rather than undermines global sustainability.

Progress

The Progress Sutra envisages AI as an engine for inclusive growth—aligning its benefits with global development priorities and equitable access to opportunity. It emphasizes democratizing key AI resources and applying AI to accelerate socio-economic progress across sectors such as health, education, governance, and agriculture.

The Impact of AI

Achieving this vision requires global consensus on how AI is developed and applied in ways that serve the Planet, its People, and the Progress of all. This includes rethinking how data is managed, how AI models are designed and deployed, and how these technologies are integrated into our social and economic fabric. The India AI Summit aims to build consensus on all these issues so that AI's Impact is realized equitably by all.

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The AI Impact Summit represents more than a gathering of leaders; it embodies a commitment to amplify the positive impact of AI. Through the three foundational Sutras and seven focused Chakras, the global community will forge concrete pathways that ensure AI serves the Planet, empowers all People, and accelerates Progress for every nation.



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Indian Economy on the Transformational Paths

Google, Adani and Airtel join forces to build India's largest AI data centre in Vizag

Andhra Pradesh aims to host 6 GW of data-centre capacity by 2029, reinforcing its position as a key AI and digital infrastructure hub. Adani Enterprises Ltd., Alphabet Inc.'s Google and Bharti Airtel Ltd. have joined hands to establish India's largest artificial intelligence data centre in Visakhapatnam, marking a milestone in the country's emerging AI infrastructure. The initiative is part of Google's \$15-billion push into India's AI ecosystem, representing its biggest single investment in the country to date. The investment comes amid a wave of AI and cloud infrastructure expansion in India. Amazon Web Services (AWS) has pledged \$12.7 billion over five years to build new cloud infrastructure and support more than 100,000 full-time jobs annually. OpenAI, the creator of ChatGPT, is exploring partnerships to develop a 1 GW data centre in India after registering as a local entity. Meanwhile, Tata Consultancy Services (TCS) has announced plans for a \$6.5-billion AI data centre and a dedicated AI subsidiary, underscoring a wider shift among Indian IT giants towards high-capacity AI computing.

RBI says India's growth outlook remains resilient despite global economic headwinds

The Reserve Bank of India (RBI) has said that the ongoing flux in the global economy poses significant challenges to the global macroeconomic outlook, adding that India is not entirely insulated from these developments. However, it emphasised that the domestic economy remains resilient, supported by low inflation, solid corporate earnings, and a robust banking system. In its latest monthly bulletin, the central bank noted that these factors are helping sustain the economy's momentum despite global volatility. Earlier this month, the RBI raised its forecast for India's GDP growth to 6.8 per cent for the current financial year. It said that domestic growth drivers remain strong even amid external uncertainties. On the external front, the RBI addressed the impact of trade tensions with the United States. It acknowledged that India faces punitive tariffs on exports to the U.S., following President Donald Trump's insistence that these would remain unless India reduces its imports of Russian oil. Despite these tariffs, the central bank maintained that the overall impact on India's growth remains limited. It said that merchandise trade continues to show resilience, although exports to the U.S. saw a notable decline in September as the higher tariffs took effect.

Apple records highest-ever quarterly iPhone shipments in India

Apple Inc. achieved its highest-ever quarterly smartphone shipments in India, delivering 4.9 million iPhones during the July–September quarter of 2025, according to data from research firm Omdia. The milestone represents a 47% increase compared with the same period last year, marking Apple's strongest performance in the Indian market to date. The surge was attributed to robust festive season demand and the launch of the iPhone 17 series on 9 September. India now contributes 9% of Apple's global iPhone shipments, the largest share in the company's history, underscoring the country's rising importance in its global growth strategy.



Celebrating 150 Years of “Vande Mataram” – India’s National Song

On the momentous occasion of the 150th anniversary of India’s Rashtriya Geet Vande Mataram, the Embassy of India, Zagreb, in collaboration with the Indian diaspora and Friends of India in Croatia, organised a Mass Singing of Vande Mataram on 7 November 2025. The event was a heartfelt tribute to the timeless song that ignited the spirit of freedom and unity among Indians and continues to inspire generations across the world. Let us all remember the words that echo the soul of our nation, “Vande Mataram!”

- For more information visit: <https://www.vandemataram150.in/> .
- Watch the interpretation of the song at the following [link](#).



Ambassador's visit to Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia and Minister of Defense Ivan Anušić



Deputy Prime Minister of the Republic of Croatia and Minister of Defense Ivan Anušić met on November 13, 2025, at the Ministry of Defense of the Republic of Croatia with the Ambassador of India to Croatia, Arun Goel. The meeting discussed possibilities for strengthening defense cooperation between the two countries, global security challenges, the situation in Southeast Europe, and current modernization projects of the Armed Forces of the Republic of Croatia. Minister Anušić thanked Ambassador Goel for the visit and said that he sees room for further strengthening the partnership between Croatia and India. They discussed possibilities for cooperation in the field of defense industry. In this context, Minister Anušić presented Croatian manufacturers of high-quality military equipment. Minister Anušić also spoke about the importance of developing maritime capabilities through the project to procure a multi-purpose corvette ship, which will significantly strengthen the Croatian Navy.



India Reaffirms Commitment to Equity, Climate Justice and Multilateralism at CoP30, in Belém, Brazil

[India delivered statements on behalf of the BASIC](#) (Brazil, South Africa, India and China) group and the Like-Minded Developing Countries (LMDC) group at the Opening Plenary of the UNFCCC CoP30, in Belém, Brazil. The statement reiterated the central importance of equity, common but differentiated responsibilities and respective capabilities (CBDR-RC), and the full and effective implementation of the Convention, its Kyoto Protocol and the Paris Agreement.

India expressed full and unwavering support for multilateralism and international cooperation on climate change, particularly in the current geopolitical context. The statement acknowledged with deep appreciation the extensive and meticulous preparations and efforts that the Brazilian Presidency has invested in preparation for CoP30.

Marking ten years of the Paris Agreement, India highlighted that **Climate Finance continues to be the key barrier to raised ambition**. India called for:

- *A clear and universally agreed definition of climate finance;*
- *Strengthened and scaled-up public finance flows for adaptation;*
- *Implementation of Article 9.1 of the Paris Agreement, reaffirming the legal obligation of developed countries to provide finance to developing countries.*

India also noted that **Adaptation Financing** needs to *exceed nearly fifteen times current flows*, and significant gaps remain in doubling international public finance for adaptation by 2025. India emphasized that adaptation is an urgent priority for billions of vulnerable people in developing countries who have contributed the least to global warming but stand to suffer the most from its impacts.

India called for a strong outcome on the **Global Goal on Adaptation (GGA)**, including agreement on a minimum package of indicators, though without any additional reporting between and with flexibility with countries as per their national circumstances. It supported taking forward the UAE–Belém Work Programme and the launch of the Baku Adaptation Roadmap to ensure that no one is left behind.

India underlined the **need for reliable, affordable and equitable access to Climate Technologies**. It called for a strong outcome on the Technology Implementation Programme, emphasizing that intellectual property and market barriers must not hinder technology transfer to developing nations.

India stated that the UNFCCC **Just Transitions Work Programme** must result in *action-oriented institutional arrangements*, ensuring that climate transitions across economies are rooted in equity and justice, narrowing the development gap between the Global North and South and ensuring that no section of society is left behind.

India cautioned that **unilateral climate-related trade measures** risk becoming instruments of protectionism, contradict the spirit of Article 3.5 of the Convention, and undermine multilateral cooperation. Both BASIC and LMDC reaffirmed that the architecture of the Paris Agreement must not be altered, and that CBDR-RC remains the cornerstone of the global climate regime.

Speaking for BASIC and LMDC, India recalled the historical and ongoing responsibility of developed nations. It was stressed that Developed countries must not only *reach net-zero earlier* to preserve equitable carbon space, but invest more in negative emissions technologies and most importantly fulfil their obligations on finance, technology transfer and capacity-building to developing countries.

Both statements reiterated that India, while affirming its support along with those of BASIC and LMDC partners for a successful COP-30, stated that it remains committed to a constructive and collaborative engagement to ensure a successful and balanced outcome at Conference, in the overall interest of humanity and protection, preservation and conservation of Mother Earth.

EXPANSION OF AN ECONOMIC GIANT 'Artificial intelligence is key to a new era of Indian development'

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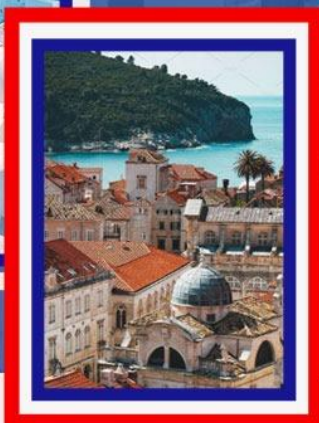
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India is the fifth strongest economy in the world with a GDP that reached 4.3 trillion dollars in 2025. This data best illustrates the huge steps that India is taking forward, rapidly catching up and even overtaking the most developed ones. India has become particularly interesting to the Croatian public after Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi visited Zagreb in June this year, during which he and Prime Minister Andrej Plenković signed a series of agreements on Croatian-Indian economic cooperation.

Read the positive media article by the journalist Mrs Sandra Carić Herceg from the weekly magazine Nacional at the following [link](#).



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Website: www.plastiworld.org

The All India Plastics Manufacturers Association (AIPMA) is organizing the 2nd Edition of Plastiworld Show, an exclusive export-oriented plastics product showcase, scheduled from March 23-25, 2026, at the Jio Convention Centre, Mumbai. With the growing need for alternatives to traditional manufacturing powerhouses, Plastiworld will display India's potential as a dynamic, reliable, and sustainable option for the global sourcing of plastic finished products. The 2026 edition of Plastiworld is set to bring together about 225+ exhibitors, who are largely Manufacturers/Exporter registered companies, showcasing a wide range of products, including Household, kitchenware & tableware, Sports & Leisure, toys, Stationery & Writing Instruments, Corporate gifts, packaging, medical items, etc. segments.



India Electronics Expo 2026

Date and Venue: 23-25 March 2026, Pragati Maidan, New Delhi

Website: www.indiaelectronicsexpo.com

Electronics and Computer Software Export Promotion Council (ESC) is organizing the 11th edition of the India Electronics Expo (INDELXPO), scheduled to be held from March 23-25, 2026 in New Delhi, India. This flagship event will once again spotlight India's growing capabilities in electronics manufacturing, innovation, and technology for a global audience. Building on the success of previous editions—including the 10th edition in 2025, which welcomed over 600 international buyers from 80+ countries—INDELXPO has emerged as a premier platform for connecting Indian electronics manufacturers with global buyers, distributors, and decision-makers. The expo offers overseas buyers a unique opportunity to explore high-quality, competitively priced products and cutting-edge solutions across the electronics value chain.



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