



Media coverage of Key initiatives under India's G20 presidency

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India's G20-20 Vision



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Yesterday, India took over the presidency of G20, the world's most influential economic multilateral forum. Till November 30, 2023, it will lead the 19 countries and the European Union of G20, which together represent 85% of global GDP; 75% of inter-national trade and two-thirds of the world's population.

India's presidency comes at a time when the world is grappling with the lengthening shadow of 3Cs — Covid, climate and conflict. The pandemic has not only led to a tragic loss of human life worldwide but it has also taken a heavy toll on public health systems, education and the global economy. The climate crisis continues unabated.

International balance of power: G20 has also reinvented itself of late by widening its agenda to include issues like climate change, health, jobs and social security, inequality, agriculture, migration, corruption, terror financing, drug trafficking, etc. It is also a house divided because of the geopolitical tensions caused by the Russia-Ukraine war. This was shown up at the Bali Summit with President Vladimir Putin refusing to attend.

In a splintering world, 'we need to create mechanisms of dialogue to heal divides', UN secretary general António Guterres said recently at the UN General Assembly. And the one country that is well positioned to do so is India. As the world's largest democracy and fifth largest economy, it has the global heft to take on a coordinating role. And as a major player with the USP of being able to talk to everyone, it has the credibility to act as a bridge-builder and create consensus.

But India brings a lot more to the G20 table. It is the only member country well on track to achieve its nationally

vaccines. India has a critical role to play in ensuring global health security. It has already exemplified this through its proposal with South Africa for a World Trade Organisation (WTO) waiver from intellectual property (IP) protections for Covid-19 related medical technologies.

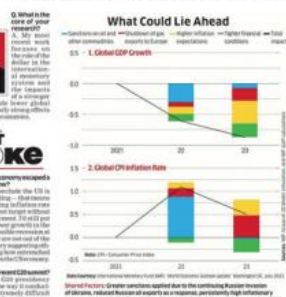
Having faced the scourge of cross-border terrorism for decades, India has been proactive on the menace of terror financing. India is a global leader in building population-scale, open-source digital public goods ranging from Aarogya to India Stack to CoWin. So, the G20 presidency is a chance for it to leverage its strengths for solutions that can benefit the entire world.

At a time when the developing world is hit hardest by inflationary pressures arising from soaring food and fuel prices, India can act as the voice of the developing world, particularly on the issues of food security, climate finance and the Sustainable Development Goals (SDG).

It helps that the new India (current, previous and incoming G20 presiden-

'India could be the world's third largest economy in the next decade – its G20 leadership amidst challenges will be key'

Maurice Obstfeld is former chief economist of the IMF and teaches at the University of California, Berkeley. Speaking to Srijana Mitra Das, he discusses world economic conditions – and India's part in managing these:



What could lie ahead? Global GDP growth is expected to be 3.1% in 2023, 3.2% in 2024, and 3.3% in 2025. Global inflation is expected to be 6.6% in 2023, 5.4% in 2024, and 4.7% in 2025. India's growth is projected to be 6.8% in 2023, 7.3% in 2024, and 7.5% in 2025. India's inflation is projected to be 5.6% in 2023, 5.1% in 2024, and 4.8% in 2025.

G20: PM Narendra Modi pitches for harmony as India takes over presidency

1 December



G20 infra working group meeting kicks off today

Focus On 'Financing Cities of Tomorrow'

'INCLUSIVE, RESILIENT AND SUSTAINABLE'

THE THEME
Financing Cities of Tomorrow: Inclusive, Resilient and Sustainable

TAKING PART
16 delegates
21 countries

FOCUS AREAS
- Facilitating urban economic centres of growth
- Financing urban infrastructure
- Building future-ready urban infrastructure
- Strengthening local investments for financing energy-efficient and environmentally sustainable infrastructure
- Mitigating social imbalances

ON THE SIDELINES
High-level workshop to discuss relevant themes pertaining to the technical and managerial capacity to

2-day G20 Infrastructure Working Group (IWG) meeting begins on Monday in Pune

Apart from formal discussions, delegates can avail of optional excursions, such as Pune Heritage Walk, city tour and a trip to Mahabaleshwar.

A number of workshop sessions have been carried out ahead of the event.

Dr. M. S. Swaminathan, Member of the Planning Commission, will be participating in the meeting. The Government of India has arranged for optional excursions, such as Pune Heritage Walk, city tour and a trip to Mahabaleshwar.

Sustainability is a key focus area for India at G20

India is leading the world in transitioning to a low-carbon economy and is well-poised to take forward PM Modi's LIFE initiative. India's presidency will share, collaborate, and build on the sense of trusteeship among the member-countries to build a sustainable future for all

In the 2022 Climate Change Performance Index, we have been ranked among the top five performing countries. India is also leading the world in transitioning to a low-carbon economy. We have achieved our commitment to new fossil-fuel capacity addition (made in the Nationally Determined Contributions or NDCs) ahead of the target year (2030), and also updated our targets. As per the new NDC, India is committed to reducing the emission intensity of its Gross Domestic Product (GDP) by 45% by 2030 from the 2005 level and achieving about 50% cumulative electric power installed capacity from non-fossil fuel-based energy resources by 2030.



India has emerged as a country with the fastest growing renewable energy capacity globally. This has also made it the most attractive investment destination. These efforts are helping India meet its needs while contributing to global efforts to reduce CO2 emissions.

With a young population, growing urbanisation, digitalisation and adoption of technology, and modernisation of strategies, India's primary focus has been to provide universal access to affordable power in a sustainable manner. We are now a power-rich nation. We have established an integrated national grid, strengthened the distribution network, emerged as a significant renewable energy (RE) player, and achieved universal household electricity.

India's energy mix is diversified. Power generation happens through several sources, including coal, lignite, natural gas, oil, hydro and nuclear. It is imperative to focus on individuals and communities about concrete and

hydrogen will play a vital role in decarbonising the economy, and the country aims to become a global hub for green hydrogen production and exports.

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RK Singh

India Inc must help enhance the role of women in nation building

Business-led development would be better realised if concerted efforts are made by all in favour of gender-neutral leadership



Chairman, National Women's Entrepreneurship Council



While the benefits of self-made women, with several business opportunities to create a niche for them in the market, India Inc must help in creating a supportive ecosystem for women-led businesses. This includes providing training, mentorship, and access to capital.

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G20 President with prowess

In an exclusive interview, **Shankar Varshney** talks about India's unanimous global acceptance and its diplomatic approach to diplomacy, which have lent its G20 presidency a promising touch

Anniversary Post

How India's G20 presidency can set an example in prioritising water action

India is already on a mission to achieve SDG targets. It can leverage its G20 presidency to lead the world on water action, and offer support to other countries

The Indian Express

G20

Reuters

India shines in the G20 presidency

Prime Minister Narendra Modi is making full use of India's presidency of G20 to offer solutions to global challenges

The Pioneer

Working hand in hand to showcase India

India's G20 presidency is a unique opportunity to showcase the country's growth and development to the world.

The Hindu

May & June

Gandhinagar all decked up to host G-20 meet on disaster risk reduction

THE Gandhinagar Block in the Gandhinagar Working Group (G20) meeting under India's G20 Presidency is scheduled to host the 10th Global Meeting on Disaster Risk Reduction from March 28 to April 1, this year.



G20 delegates all set to get a taste of tea garden life

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G-20: 'Focus on revival of tourism to pre-Covid status'

INDIA'S G20 Presidency is set to focus on the revival of tourism to pre-Covid status, according to a report from the Ministry of Tourism.



The G20 can build a global bridge to a future of sustainable energy

India's G20 presidency has had to link up with the G7 nations to promote a climate agenda that could make a tangible difference.



In Varanasi, India hosts 100th G20 meet discusses employment, inclusive growth, labour issues

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Historic opportunity to reform World Bank: FM

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Digital public infra can deliver global solutions

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FM reviews progress on Finance Track deliverables under India's G20 presidency

Finance minister Nirmala Sitharaman on Friday reviewed the progress on Finance Track deliverables under India's G20 presidency.

G20's healing touch

G20's healing touch: India's presidency aims to bring Global South and North together in health, according to a report from the Ministry of Health and Family Welfare.



At G20 event, PM says development is a 'core issue' for the Global South

DELHI
NEW DELHI, JUNE 17

Prime Minister Narendra Modi said development is a "core issue" for the Global South.

Modi's remarks came during a meeting of the G20 Development Ministers' meeting in Varanasi on Monday. Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed the meeting via video link from the "Lal Bahadur Shastri" auditorium in Varanasi.

External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar and other development ministers from 20 countries also participated in the meeting.

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Jaishankar, G20 officials visit Sarnath

Sarnath is one of the most revered Buddhist pilgrimage centres in the world

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VARANASI

EXTERNAL Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar along with G20 delegates Tuesday visited the historical Buddhist site of Dhamek Stupa in Sarnath here, officials said.

The delegates from different countries have arrived here for the three-day G20 Development Ministers' meeting, which commenced on Sunday. Around 12 km from the ancient temple town of Varanasi, Sarnath is one of the most revered Buddhist pilgrimage centres in the world.

The Dhamek Stupa marks the location where Lord Buddha is believed to have delivered his first sermon after attaining enlightenment. It was built in 500 CE to replace an earlier structure constructed by King Ashoka in 249 CE.

During their Sarnath visit, the G20 guests also visited other holy places in Sarnath, including Buddhist monuments and the remains of ancient monuments and relics of the Mauryan period.



Union External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar with representatives from various countries participating in G20 meetings, visit the Sarnath in Varanasi on Tuesday.

G20 transition to clean energy should include Global South: PM

He said no talk about the future, sustainability and development can be complete without energy

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Tap Jobs in AI, IoT, Robotics, Drones: PM Modi to G20

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PM proposed inclusion of African Union in G20: Kant

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19 nations join India to launch Global Biofuels Alliance

New Delhi: Nineteen nations have agreed to launch a new initiative called the Global Biofuels Alliance. The alliance aims to promote the production and use of biofuels as a sustainable energy source.

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Labour Ministers of G20 Nations to Focus on Skill Gaps, Gig Workers

New Delhi: Labour ministers of G20 nations are expected to focus on addressing skill gaps and supporting gig workers. The meeting will discuss ways to improve labor conditions and create more jobs.

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Third G20 infra meet focuses on 'creating liveable cities'

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