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Significant Diplomatic Engagements

Hon'ble Prime Minister joined the ASEAN-India Summit Virtually:

On 26 October 2025, PM Modi participated virtually in the 22nd ASEAN-India Summit hosted in Kuala Lumpur. The leaders reviewed the progress of the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership and discussed ways to further strengthen cooperation in key areas including trade, connectivity, technology and maritime security. This was PM Modi's 12th participation in an ASEAN-India Summit.

Welcoming Timor Leste as ASEAN's 11th Member, PM Modi reiterated India's steadfast support for ASEAN Unity, Centrality and the ASEAN Outlook on the Indo-Pacific. He also emphasised the need for early review of the ASEAN-India FTA (AITIGA) and highlighted the importance of collective efforts in combating terrorism.



Aligning with Malaysia's theme of Inclusivity and Sustainability for the ASEAN Summit, PM Modi announced a range of initiatives which included support for implementation of the ASEAN-India Plan of Action; sustainable Tourism as focus during the ASEAN-India Year of Tourism; celebrating ASEAN-India Year of Maritime Cooperation in 2026; training of 400 professionals in renewable energy to support the ASEAN Power Grid initiative; extending Quick Impact Projects (QIPs) to Timor Leste; and establishment of a Centre for Southeast Asian Studies at Nalanda University. PM also emphasised the need for increasing cooperation in infrastructure, semiconductor, emerging technologies, rare earths and critical minerals.

Prime Minister speaks to Malaysian Prime Minister and Congratulates him on ASEAN Chairmanship:

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi had a warm conversation with Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim on October 23 during which he congratulated Malaysia on assuming the ASEAN Chairmanship and conveyed best wishes for the successful conduct of the ASEAN-related Summits this year.

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External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar represents PM at East Asia Summit in Malaysia :

EAM Dr. S. Jaishankar visited Malaysia to represent Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in the 20th East Asia Summit in Kuala Lumpur on 27 October 2025, wherein he delivered India's National Statement. He underlined the growing concerns over supply chain reliability, market access challenges and constrictions on global energy trade, stressing that the world must respond to new realities with resilience and innovative solutions. He emphasised that multipolarity is not only here to stay but will continue to grow, driven by the undeniable forces of technology, competitiveness, market size, digitisation, connectivity, talent and mobility. Highlighting the widespread repercussions of conflicts—impacting human suffering, food security, and vital trade and energy flows—he reaffirmed India's stance of zero tolerance towards terrorism and stated that the right to self-defence must never be compromised. EAM reiterated India's commitment to maritime cooperation in line with AOIP, IPOI and UNCLOS, and expressed full support to the activities and future direction of the EAS to ensure a stable, progressive and prosperous Indo-Pacific.



On the sidelines, EAM held productive bilateral engagements with leaders including Malaysian Prime Minister Anwar Ibrahim, and his counterparts from Malaysia, Japan, Singapore, Vietnam, Thailand, Brunei, Republic of Korea, Brazil, United States, Australia and New Zealand, reviewing bilateral cooperation, and exchanging views on regional and global issues. The visit reinforced India's proactive role in shaping regional stability, deepening strategic partnerships, and advancing shared prosperity across the Indo-Pacific.



EAM met Prime Minister of Malaysia,
YAB Dato' Seri Anwar Ibrahim

EAM met Foreign Minister of Malaysia, YB
Dato' Seri Utama Haji Mohamad Haji Hassan

EAM met Foreign Minister of Japan,
Motegi Toshimitsu



Meeting with Foreign Minister of
Vietnam, Le Hoai Trung

Meeting with Foreign Minister of
Singapore, Vivian Balakrishnan

Meeting with Foreign Minister of South
Korea, Cho Hyun

Secretary (East) Shri P. Kumaran met with Mr. S. Paul Kapur, Assistant Secretary, Bureau of South and Central Asian Affairs, United States, in Kuala Lumpur on 27 October 2025. Secretary (East) congratulated him on his recent appointment and the two sides exchanged views on the continued strengthening of the India-US Strategic Partnership, including cooperation in regional and global issues of mutual interest.



First-ever India-ASEAN Strategic Dialogue organized by India Foundation in collaboration with Institute of Strategic and International Studies (ISIS) Malaysia

The first India-ASEAN Strategic Dialogue was held on October 16, 2025, in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, organized by India Foundation in collaboration with ISIS Malaysia. The event brought together senior officials, diplomats, and strategic thinkers from all 10 ASEAN member states and India to elevate the longstanding partnership into a more robust strategic framework. Key sessions explored geopolitical perspectives from both sides, synergies between ASEAN's Outlook on the Indo-Pacific (AOIP) and India's Indo-Pacific Oceans Initiative (IPOI), and emerging opportunities in regional AI governance. YB Liew Chin Tong, Deputy Minister, Ministry of Investment, Trade and Industry, Malaysia, and Dato' Raja Nushirwan bin Zainal Abidin, Director General, National Security Council, Malaysia, also delivered Special Addresses, highlighting the growing synergy between e, stability, and prosperity. H.E. Shri B. N. Reddy, High Commissioner of India to Malaysia, delivered the Special Address, presenting a forward-looking vision for India and



ASEAN in economic and security domains. The Dialogue featured Welcome Addresses by Dr. Ram Madhav, President of India Foundation, and Datuk Prof. Dr. Mohd Faiz Abdullah, Chairman of ISIS Malaysia, who emphasized the importance of sustained engagement and cooperation between India and ASEAN. The Keynote Address was delivered by Shri Prashant Agrawal, Additional Secretary (Southern Division), Ministry of External Affairs who underscored the significance of connectivity and regional resilience. With the participation of over 40 distinguished speakers from India and all ASEAN Member States, the inaugural India-ASEAN Strategic Dialogue marked a significant step forward in deepening mutual understanding and strengthenig ties across political, economic, security and socio-cultural pillars.

Engagements of High Commission of India Kuala Lumpur

INS Sahyadri, a frontline ship of the Indian Navy, arrived at Kemaman Port, Malaysia on 2 October 2025 as part of its routine operational deployment, and received a warm welcome from the Royal Malaysian Navy. This marks the third visit of INS Sahyadri to Malaysia, following a goodwill visit to Port Klang in 2016 and participation in Exercise Samudra Laksamana at Kota Kinabalu in 2019.





On 2 October 2025, the Gandhi Memorial Trust (GMT), in collaboration with the High Commission of India, Kuala Lumpur, commemorated the UN International Day of Non-Violence on the occasion of Gandhi Jayanti at the Royal Lake Club, Kuala Lumpur. The event was attended by over 200 participants and featured a panel discussion on “Reclaiming our Humanity through Gandhiji’s Legacy of Non-Violence”, with insightful contributions from Ms. Sharifa Nazneen Agha, Professor Adjunct TN Philip Koh, and Prof. Syed Farid al-Attas. Deputy High Commissioner Ms. Subhashini Narayanan also participated in the celebrations, highlighting the enduring relevance of Gandhiji’s principles in promoting peace, non-violence, and human values.

Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose Indian Cultural Centre (NSCBICC)

The High Commission of India and Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose Cultural Centre, Kuala Lumpur organized Hindi Diwas 2025 on 20 September 2025 at the Cultural Centre. The event saw enthusiastic participation from several Malaysian schools, including Global Indian International School, Vikas International School, Tanarata International School, Sprout Academy, and Saffol International School, as well as community organizations such as India Club Kuala Lumpur, Geeta Ashram, Bihar Cultural Association, Marwari Yuva Manch Malaysia, and Maharashtra Mandal Malaysia. Indian High Commissioner Shri B.N. Reddy attended the event, felicitating teachers and representatives of participating organizations. In his address, he encouraged the vibrant Indian community in Malaysia—especially the younger generation and students—to actively promote the use of the Hindi language and preserve its rich cultural heritage.



What's New – Business & Investments News in India

1. Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi declares 2026 as Asean-India year of Maritime cooperation

Prime Minister Mr. Narendra Modi stated that the India-Association of Southeast Asian Nations (ASEAN) Comprehensive Strategic Partnership is becoming a strong foundation for global stability and growth. In his virtual address at the India-ASEAN Annual Summit, he highlighted that the grouping serves as a key pillar of New Delhi's Act East Policy...[read more](#)

2. Pharma, healthcare sector deals hit US\$ 3.5 billion in September quarter

India's pharmaceutical and healthcare sector witnessed robust deal momentum in Q3 CY25, recording 72 transactions worth Rs. 30,902 crore (US\$ 3.5 billion), according to Grant Thornton Bharat's Dealtracker. This included three Initial public offerings (IPOs) valued at Rs. 3,779 crore (US\$ 428 million) and one Qualified Institutional Placement (QIP) worth Rs. 777 crore (US\$ 88 million)....[read more](#)

3. India now fourth largest renewable energy producer at 257 GW: Union Minister for New & Renewable Energy, Mr. Pralhad Joshi

India has emerged as the world's fourth-largest renewable energy producer with an installed capacity of 257 GW, a three-fold increase from 81 GW in 2014, according to Union Minister for New & Renewable Energy, Mr. Pralhad Joshi. Speaking at the eighth session of the International Solar Alliance Assembly, he highlighted that India's solar capacity surged from 2.8 GW in 2014 to 128 GW in 2025.....[read more](#)

4. India's data center capacity to double by 2027, rise 5x by 2030: Macquarie

India's data center (DC) capacity is projected to double with the ongoing construction projects and may grow fivefold by 2030 if the planned pipeline is accelerated, according to a report by Macquarie Equity Research. The report highlighted that India currently has 1.4 gigawatt (GW) of operational DC capacity, with another 1.4 GW under construction and about 5 GW in the planning phase....[read more](#)

5. India's copper demand rises by 9.3% in FY25: Report

India's copper demand rose 9.3% YoY to 1,878 kilo tonnes (KT) in FY25, driven by robust economic growth and increasing adoption across key sectors, according to the International Copper Association (ICA) India's latest report. Demand stood at 1,718 KT in FY24. The report attributed this growth to expanding infrastructure, building construction, renewable energy, and consumer durables sectors, highlighting copper's critical role in India's clean energy and industrial transformation....[read more](#)

6. From US\$ 250 million to US\$ 2 billion: India's role in global aerospace supply chain grows

Global aerospace majors are increasingly sourcing aircraft components from India, driving strong growth in the country's aero component sector, according to The Times of India. Domestic firms are scaling operations and moving up the value chain, with several preparing to raise around Rs. 5,700 crore (US\$ 649 million) through initial public offerings (IPO)....[read more](#)

7. India's Nuclear Energy Mission: Targeting 100 GW by 2047

India has announced a Nuclear Energy Mission under the Union Budget for FY26, targeting an expansion of its nuclear power capacity to 100 GW by 2047, up from the existing 8.8 GW. An inter-ministerial committee has been established to develop a comprehensive roadmap for this goal, recommending significant reforms to enable participation by private and foreign companies....[read more](#)

Spotlight and Opportunities in India

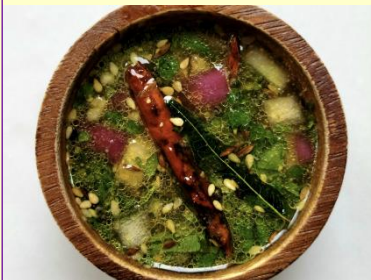
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- India, now the world's fastest-growing economy, has positioned its automobile sector as a vital pillar of national growth, driven by rising incomes, higher infrastructure spending, and supportive government incentives for manufacturing. The two-wheeler segment, fuelled by the expanding middle class, continues to dominate domestic sales, reaching 19.6 million units in FY25.
- This robust demand has spurred growth in both original equipment and auto component manufacturing, enhancing India's technological expertise and boosting global confidence in Indian-made vehicles and components.
- In FY25, India's automobile exports stood at ₹1.95 lakh crore (US\$22.9 billion), with projections indicating exports could reach ₹8.54 lakh crore (US\$100 billion) by 2030. North America remained the largest export destination with a 32% share and 8.4% growth, followed by Europe with 29.5% and Asia with 26%, which saw a strong 15.1% increase.
- Major export items included drive transmission systems, engine and braking components, and body and chassis parts, underscoring the sector's growing global competitiveness.
- The auto components industry has significantly broadened its market reach, supported by strong domestic demand and increasing international presence from both Indian and global players.
- As the electric vehicle (EV) ecosystem rapidly evolves, the number of charging stations is expected to rise from 12,146 in February 2024 to 400,000 by 2026. This expansion is set to further strengthen India's EV component manufacturing capabilities and establish the country as a global hub for clean mobility solutions.
- With global supply chains shifting and new opportunities emerging, India's automotive component trade is projected to grow 4–5% annually, reaching US\$80 billion by 2026.

INDIA TOURISM - Cuisine of Telangana

Telangana cuisine is known for its bold, spicy flavors, featuring dishes like spicy rice, hearty curries, and flavorful pickles, influenced by the region's rich cultural heritage.

Sl. No	Events	Description	
1.	Hyderabadi Briyani	Hyderabadi Biryani is a fragrant and flavorful dish that combines tender meat, aromatic basmati rice, and rich spices, reflecting the culinary heritage of the Nizams. Known for its unique cooking style, it's a perfect blend of Mughlai and Telugu flavors.	
2.	Sarva Pindi	Sarva Pindi is a traditional snack made from rice flour, peanuts, and spices, shaped into a flat disc and pan-cooked to a crispy texture. It is a healthy, savory dish enjoyed for breakfast or as a snack.	
3.	Pachi Pulusu	Pachi Pulusu is a traditional dish made with raw tamarind juice, onions, green chilies, and spices, served as a refreshing, tangy soup. It is typically eaten with rice, offering a cool contrast to spicy and rich curries.	
4.	Qubani Ka Meetha	Qubani ka Meetha is a dessert made from apricots, typically simmered in sugar syrup and garnished with almonds or saffron. It is a sweet, rich delicacy often served at special occasions like weddings and festivals.	
5.	Irani Chai and Osmania Biscuits	Irani Chai is a strong, flavorful tea, often served with a touch of milk and sugar, and is a staple in Hyderabad's Irani cafés. Osmania Biscuits are buttery, mildly sweet cookies that perfectly complement the chai, making them a beloved snack in the region.	

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Telangana: Where vibrant culture meets stunning heritage and modern innovation

How to get there : There are direct daily flights from Kuala Lumpur to Hyderabad's Rajiv Gandhi International Airport operated by AirAsia and Malaysia Airlines.

Sl. No	Places to visit	
1.	Charminar The Charminar is a historic monument and iconic symbol of Hyderabad, built in 1591 by Sultan Muhammad Quli Qutb Shah. It features four grand arches and minarets, blending Indo-Islamic architecture. Located in the heart of the city, it is surrounded by vibrant bazaars and cultural landmarks.	
2.	Chowmahalla Palace Chowmahalla Palace, located in Hyderabad, was once the seat of the Asaf Jahi dynasty and served as the official residence of the Nizams. Built in the 18th century, the palace is renowned for its grand architecture, intricate stucco work, and lush gardens. A UNESCO Asia-Pacific Heritage Award recipient, it reflects the opulence and grandeur of the Nizams' era.	
3.	Ramoji Film City Ramoji Film City is one of the world's largest film studio complexes, spread over 2,000 acres. It offers a blend of film production facilities, entertainment zones, and themed attractions. Visitors can enjoy live shows, guided tours, and explore meticulously designed sets and replica landscapes.	
4.	Warangal Fort Warangal Fort, located in the city of Warangal, is a historical fort built in the 13th century by the Kakatiya dynasty. It is renowned for its impressive architecture, featuring ornate gateways, intricate carvings, and large stone walls. The fort is a UNESCO World Heritage site, symbolizing the grandeur of medieval Indian architecture and engineering.	

Sl. No	Places to visit	
5.	Hussain Sagar Lake Hussain Sagar Lake is a large man-made reservoir built in 1563 by Sultan Hussain Shah Wali. It connects the city's twin towns of Secunderabad and Hyderabad and is famous for the monolithic statue of Buddha situated on an island in the lake. The lake is a popular spot for boating, tourism, and enjoying scenic views.	
6.	Birla Mandir Birla Mandir is a beautiful Hindu temple dedicated to Lord Venkateshwara, situated on a hilltop in Hyderabad. Built with white marble, it offers stunning views of the city and showcases intricate architectural details. The temple is a popular pilgrimage site and a serene spot for visitors to experience spiritual peace.	
7.	Pocharam Wildlife Sanctuary Pocharam Wildlife Sanctuary is located in the Medak district of Telangana, covering an area of 130 square kilometers. It is known for its rich biodiversity, including species such as tigers, leopards, and various bird species. The sanctuary also features Pocharam Lake, which attracts both wildlife and visitors for its serene atmosphere.	
8.	Bogatha Waterfall Bogatha Waterfall, located on the Cheekupally stream, is the second-largest waterfall in Telangana. Often referred to as the "Niagara of Telangana," it offers breathtaking views and a serene natural beauty. The waterfall is a popular tourist spot, attracting visitors with its scenic surroundings and tranquil atmosphere.	

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