





# IMPORTANT SUMMIT 2021



- **G20 Extraordinary Summit on Afghanistan**
- hosted by Italy
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi participated in the G20 Extraordinary Leaders' Summit, which has been organised to discuss the situation in Afghanistan. The event, convened by the G20 Italian Presidency, held via videoconferencing on 13th Oct.

- Ministerial Roundtable Session of ITU Digital World 2021
- held in Vietnam and hosted by the government of Vietnam
- The Minister of State (MoS) for Communication, Devusinh Chauhan, participated in the Ministerial Roundtable Session of the 50th-anniversary edition of International Telecommunication Union (ITU) Digital World 2021.
- Theme of the Discussion: ‘Cutting the cost: can affordable access accelerate digital transformation?’

- 7th Meeting of BRICS Communications Ministers 2021
- Virtual mode
- Minister of State (MoS) Devusinh Chauhan chaired the 7th meeting of (Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa) Communications MinisBRICSters 2021 through video conferencing on October 22, 2021.

- 6th Annual Meeting of Board of Governors of AIIB
- jointly organized by AIIB with the Government of the United Arab Emirates (UAE).
- Nirmala Sitharaman has participated in the 6th Annual Meeting of the Board of Governors of Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (AIIB) through a video conference from New Delhi.
- The theme of the Annual Meeting of AIIB was “Investing Today and Transforming Tomorrow”.

- **18th India-ASEAN Summit 2021**
- co-chaired by PM Narendra Modi
- On October 28, 2021, Prime Minister (PM) Narendra Modi co-chaired the virtual 18th India-ASEAN (Association of Southeast Asian Nations) Summit 2021 at the invitation of Sultan of Brunei, Hassanal Bolkiah (the current Chair of ASEAN).

- **16th EAS 2021**
- hosted under the Chairmanship of Brunei
- On October 27, 2021, PM had virtually attended in the 16th East Asia Summit (EAS).
- PM has welcomed Cambodia as the new chair of ASEAN (2022) and Singapore as the ASEAN country co-ordinator (for India) for dialogue relations (2021 – 2024).



- 18th G-20 summit (2023)

- 

- India

- India will hold the G20 presidency from December 1, 2022, and will convene the G20 leaders' summit in 2023 for the first time.
- Piyush Goyal, Union Minister of Commerce and Industry Minister has been appointed as India's Sherpa for the G20 in 2023 (18th edition). A sherpa is a diplomat who undertakes preparatory work prior to a summit conference.

- International Climate Summit 2020-21
- India
  - India is all set to host a key conference as part of the International Climate Summit (ICS) 2020-21 to build a dialogue for India's transition to clean energy.
  - Director of CSIR, National Chemical Laboratory, Dr Ashish Lele has underlined the importance of the conference for the future mitigation strategies of climate change.

- **13th BRICS Summit 2021**
- India (virtual mode)
- Prime Minister, Narendra Modi, chaired the 13th BRICS Summit virtually on September 9, 2021.
- The Summit was participated by all other BRICS Leaders namely, President of Brazil Jair Bolsonaro, President of Russia Vladimir Putin President of China Xi Jinping and President of South Africa Cyril Ramaphosa.
- India has chosen the theme of the Summit as “BRICS@15: Intra-BRICS Cooperation for Continuity, Consolidation and Consensus”.

- **2+2' Ministerial Dialogue between India & Australia**
- **New Delhi**
- **India will host the first-ever 2+2 Ministerial Dialogue with Australia in New Delhi.**
- **Australian Foreign Minister Marise Payne and Defence Minister Peter Dutton from the Australian side will meet with External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar and Defence Minister Rajnath Singh.**

- Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Council of Heads of State
- Dushanbe, Tajikistan
- The 21st Meeting of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Council of Heads of State was held in hybrid format on September 17, 2021, in Dushanbe, Tajikistan. The meeting was held under the Chairmanship of the President of Tajikistan, Emomali Rahmon.
- The Indian delegation was led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, who participated in the meeting via video-link and at Dushanbe, India was represented by External Affairs Minister, Dr S. Jaishankar.

- 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly
- New York
- Prime Minister Narendra Modi addressed 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York on September 25, 2021.
- He also attended his first in-person Quad summit, hosted by Joe Biden.
- Theme for General Debate for year 2021 is “Building Resilience through hope to recover from Covid-19, rebuild sustainably, respond to the needs of the planet, respect the rights of people, and revitalise the United Nations”.

- India-UK Consular Dialogue
- India (virtual mode)
- The government of India has hosted the first India-United Kingdom Consular Dialogue in the virtual medium.
- Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs, Devesh Uttam led the Indian delegation while the UK delegation was led by Jennifer Anderson. Both sides discussed the ways to strengthen people-to-people contacts as part of the India-UK 2030 roadmap.

- **G20 Culture Ministers' Meeting**
- Hosted by Italy
- Meenakashi Lekhi, the Minister of State for Culture of India participated in the G20 Culture Ministers' Meeting on behalf of the Government of India.
- The two-day meeting was hosted by Italy on July 29 and 30 July 2021, during their ongoing Presidency of G20 in 2021.



- 8th SCO Meeting of Ministers of Justice
- Hosted by Tajikistan
- The Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju has virtually attended the eighth meeting of Ministers of Justice of the Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO). The three days' meeting was hosted by Tajikistan.

- 28th ASEAN Regional Forum Ministerial Meeting
- Hosted by Brunei
- The Minister of State for External Affairs, Dr Rajkumar Ranjan Singh led India's delegation to the 28th ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Foreign Ministers Meeting. The Meeting was held under the Chairmanship of Brunei Darussalam.
- The ARF Ministers adopted a Joint Statement on Promoting the Youth, Peace and Security (YPS) Agenda. India engages actively in ARF activities and initiatives on Maritime Security; Counter-Terrorism; Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs); Disaster Relief etc.

- **WEF'S Sustainable Development Impact Summit 2021**
- Geneva, Switzerland
- The World Economic Forum's annual Sustainable Development Impact Summit will take place on September 20-23, 2021 in Geneva, Switzerland. The United Nations General Assembly, the summit convenes under the theme "Shaping an Equitable, Inclusive and Sustainable Recovery".

- Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) 2021
- Hosted by New Zealand (virtual mode)
- New Zealand is the revolving host of the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) forum. It is headquartered in Singapore.
- Recently, New Zealand chaired an extraordinary meeting ahead of a formal meeting in November. US President Joe Biden, Russia's Vladimir Putin, China's Xi Jinping and other world leaders met virtually. They discussed on collective actions to tackle the Covid-19 pandemic and its economic impacts.

- **World Universities Summit 2021**
- O.P. Jindal Global University, Sonipat, Haryana
- The Vice President of India Shri M. Venkaiah Naidu inaugurated and addressed the World Universities Summit as Chief Guest.
- The Union Education and Skill Development Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan also addressed the summit. The Summit was organized by O.P. Jindal Global University, located at Sonipat, Haryana.
- The theme of the summit was “Universities of the Future: Building Institutional Resilience, Social Responsibility and Community Impact”.

- G20 Environment Ministers' Meeting 2021
- Hosted by Italy
- The G20 Environment Ministers' Meeting 2021 is one of the ministerial meetings organized as part of the G20 Leaders' Summit 2021, which will be hosted by Italy in October 2021.
- The 2021 G20, under the Italian Presidency, will focus on three broad, interconnected pillars of action: People, Planet, Prosperity.
- The G20 aims to take the lead in ensuring a swift international response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

- Central-South Asia conference 2021
- Uzbekistan
- Uzbekistan has hosted a high-level International Conference titled “Central and South Asia: Regional Connectivity. Challenges and Opportunities” at Tashkent. The conference was an initiative of the President of Uzbekistan, Shavkat Mirziyoyev.

- BRICS Foreign Ministers meeting
- Virtual mode
- India's External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar will chair a BRICS Foreign Ministers meeting virtually on June 1, 2021.
- The leaders from Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa of the BRICS group will deliberate on the ways to deal with the COVID-19 pandemic, global and regional issues of concern, sustainable development, and terrorism, mentioned a press release from External Affairs Ministry.



- 47th G7 Summit 2021

- UK

- This year's summit was hosted by the UK. The last G-7 summit was in France in 2019, with last year's event in the US canceled due to the pandemic. Indian Prime Minister addressed the 47th G7 Summit 2021 through video conferencing.
- Earlier, the Finance Ministers from the G7 nations reached a landmark accord setting a Global Minimum Corporate Tax Rate (GMCTR). Apart from India, Australia and South Korea were also invited to participate in the proceedings of the summit as “guest countries”.
- Summit Theme 2021: “Building Back Better”.

- 5th edition of VivaTech

- Paris

- Prime Minister, Narendra Modi virtually addressed the 5th edition of VivaTech. VivaTech is one of the largest digital and startup events of Europe, held in Paris every year since 2016.
- PM Modi was invited as a Guest of Honour to deliver the keynote address at VivaTech 2021, which has been organised from 16-19 June 2021 in Paris. During his address, PM Modi invited the world to invest in India based on the five pillars: Talent, Market, Capital, Eco-system and, Culture of openness.

- G7 Foreign Ministers' Summit
- London, UK
- External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar was on a four-day visit to London from 3rd May primarily to attend a meeting of foreign ministers of Group of Seven (G7) rich nations. India has been invited to the meeting as a guest country.

- India-European Union Leaders' meeting
- Portugal
- The Prime Minister Narendra Modi is to take part in the European Council on May 8, 2021. The India-European Union Leaders' Meeting is to be hosted by Portugal. Portugal currently holds the chair of the grouping.
- The PM Modi is to participate in the meet along with other Government heads of the members of the European Union. The leaders are to exchange views on COVID-19 and also will foster sustainable and inclusive growth.

- **Summit on Financing of African Economies 2021**
- Paris, France
- Minister of State for External Affairs V Muraleedharan reiterated India's commitment to build a more resilient and stronger Africa. He was delivering India's message at the Summit on Financing African Economies hosted by French President Emmanuel Macron.

- Global G 20 Summit

- Italy

- The Global G20 Health Summit was co-hosted by European Commission along with Italy as part of its G20 presidency amid the surge and spread of the coronavirus cases.
- Summit noted, risk of more transmissible variants has increased with nine people losing their lives to Covid-19 per minute.

- **First Meeting of BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors**
- Hosted by India (Virtual mode)
- India hosted a Meeting of BRICS Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors virtually on April 6, 2021. The meeting was jointly Chaired by Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs, Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman and Governor, Reserve Bank of India, Shri. Shaktikanta Das. Participants included Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors of the BRICS countries.
- As 2021 BRICS Chair, India's approach is focused on strengthening intra-BRICS cooperation based on Continuity, Consolidation and Consensus.

- 2nd Virtual G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors Meeting
- Hosted by Italy (Virtual mode)
- Union Minister for Finance & Corporate Affairs Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman participated virtually in the Second G20 Finance Ministers and Central Bank Governors (FMCBG) meeting under the Italian Presidency to discuss policy responses to global challenges to restore strong, sustainable, balanced and inclusive growth.



- 103rd Meeting of World Bank Development Committee Plenary
- through video conferencing
- Union Minister for Finance Nirmala Sitharaman participated in the 103rd Meeting of the Development Committee Plenary of World Bank through video conferencing.
- The items on the agenda included World Bank Group (WBG) and International Monetary Fund Support for Debt Relief Under the Common Framework and Beyond COVID-19 pandemic.

- **Leaders' Summit on Climate**
- Hosted by U.S.A. (Virtual mode)
- PM Shri Narendra Modi participated in the “Leaders’ Summit on Climate”, hosted by the President of the U.S.A. Joe Biden.
- The two-day conference has been organized virtually on 22-23 April 2021, which coincides with the fifth anniversary of the opening of the Paris Agreement on climate change for signature.
- The theme of the summit: Our Collective Sprint to 2030.











