

## 18th BRICS Summit 2026

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### Why in News?

The **18th BRICS Summit 2026** is scheduled to be held at **Bharat Mandapam, New Delhi**, with India hosting the summit under its **2026 BRICS Chairship**.

- The Summit will bring together leaders from BRICS Member and Partner Countries, along with Outreach Invitees.



### BRICS 2026 Selected Meetings & Host Cities

India Chairing BRICS in 2026

Theme:  
"Building for Resilience,  
Innovation, Cooperation  
and Sustainability"

| S. No. | Meeting / Event                                                                                                              | Date                 | Host City                                                                                                            |
|--------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1      |  BRICS Urbanisation Forum – 13th          | 11–12 June 2026      |  New Delhi                      |
| 2      |  BRICS Energy Ministers' Meeting – 11th   | 25–26 June 2026      |  Gurugram, Haryana              |
| 3      |  BRICS Transport Ministers' Meeting – 3rd | 11–12 July 2026      |  Nagpur, Maharashtra            |
| 4      |  BRICS Friendship Cities Conclave         | 11–12 August 2026    |  Mumbai, Maharashtra            |
| 5      |  BRICS Chief Justices' Forum              | 4–6 September 2026   |  New Delhi                      |
| 6      |  18th BRICS Leaders' Summit               | 12–13 September 2026 |  New Delhi<br>(Bharat Mandapam) |

#### Key Takeaways

- New Delhi – Urbanisation + Chief Justices + Leaders' Summit
- Gurugram – Energy
- Nagpur – Transport
- Mumbai – Friendship Cities



**BRICS 2026**

Building for Resilience, Innovation,  
Cooperation and Sustainability

- Theme** - "Building for Resilience, Innovation, Cooperation and Sustainability" reflecting the Prime Minister's people-first, "Humanity First" approach.
- India's BRICS Legacy** - As a founding member of BRICS, India has chaired the group **3 times before - in 2012, 2016, and 2021 (virtual edition) and took on its 4th Chairship.**
- This year also marks a milestone: BRICS turns 20 since its founding.
- BRICS** - It stands for **Brazil, Russia, India, China, and South Africa** - the five founding nations.

- **Member countries** - BRICS comprises eleven member countries: Brazil, China, Egypt, Ethiopia, India, Indonesia, Iran, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, and the United Arab Emirates.
- It functions as a key platform for consultation and cooperation on pressing global and regional issues, as well as matters of international political and economic governance.
- **Logo features** - India's national flower, the lotus, with a central motif depicting the "Namaste" salutation - chosen through a public design contest.



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## India unveiled the **BRICS** 2026 logo

A lotus at the heart  
Petals in every BRICS nation's colour  
A *"Namaste"* at the centre



**BRICS**  
INDIA 2026

DIVERSE NATIONS | COMMON ASPIRATIONS | A STRONGER, FAIRER WORLD

**SCALE AND DIVERSITY**  
BRICS Transforming the Global Landscape

  
**49.5%**  
Population

  
**40%**  
GDP

  
**26%**  
Trade

**JOURNEY SO FAR**

**2006**  
First BRIC  
Foreign Ministers'  
Meeting

**2009**  
First BRIC  
Summit

**2011**  
South Africa  
joins BRICS

**2024**  
5 new  
members  
join

**2025**  
1 new member  
and 10 new  
partner countries  
join

**BRICS MEMBER COUNTRIES**

01   
BRAZIL

02   
CHINA

03   
EGYPT

04   
ETHIOPIA

05   
INDIA

06   
INDONESIA

07   
IRAN

08   
RUSSIA

09   
SAUDI ARABIA

10   
SOUTH AFRICA

11   
UAE

**BRICS PARTNER COUNTRIES**

01   
BELARUS

02   
BOLIVIA

03   
CUBA

04   
KAZAKHSTAN

05   
MALAYSIA

06   
NIGERIA

07   
THAILAND

08   
UGANDA

09   
UZBEKISTAN

10   
VIETNAM



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