

PM Modi Received Indonesia's Highest Honour

Prelims: Current events of national and international importance | International Relations

Why in News?

Recently, the Indian Prime Minister was conferred with Indonesia's highest civilian honour - the Bintang Adipurna of the Republic of Indonesia, and key MoUs were signed.

Bintang Republik Indonesia (Star of the Republic of Indonesia)

- **Nature** - Highest ***military and civilian honour*** of the Republic of Indonesia.
- **Instituted in** - 1959.
- **Design** - The physical emblem features a distinct ***shining gold star*** with rays that symbolise excellence, honour and distinguished service.



- **Criteria** - Awarded to individuals rendering exceptional service to the unity, continuity, and prosperity of Indonesia.
- **Tribute to India-Indonesia friendship** - The award is conferred to honour PM Modi's leadership in advancing bilateral ties.

*Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi holds the record for the highest number of foreign awards; his tally reached **35** international*

state and civilian decorations.

Key Memorandum of Understanding Signed During Recent Visit

- **Minerals and steel supply chain cooperation** - Investments in mining, advanced extraction technologies, joint studies, strengthening critical mineral supply chains.
- **Maritime safety and security cooperation (extension)** - Coast Guard coordination, maritime domain awareness, search and rescue, Indo-Pacific navigation safety.
- **Rare earth magnets development** - NFTDC, Midwest Ltd, and PT PERMINAS have entered into a landmark strategic partnership to collaborate on critical minerals and rare earth element (REE) projects
- **Cooperation on the BrahMos missile system** - Showcases the Indian defence industry, Atmanirbhar Bharat, boosts exports and innovation.
- **Air-to-air missile cooperation agreement** - Enhances defence exports and strengthens the missile development ecosystem.
- **Strategic Joint Venture** - SAIL and Pt. Krakatau Steel - Stainless-steel slab manufacturing facility in Indonesia.
- **Outer space cooperation** - Joint research, technology sharing, and capacity building reinforce a three-decade space partnership.
- **Conservation of Prambanan Temple Complex, Yogyakarta** - Heritage preservation under *Vikas bhi Virasat bhi*.
- **Agriculture and allied sectors cooperation** - Sustainable farming, machinery, and joint studies; food security and farmer incomes.
- **IIM Bangalore Branch Campus** - New international campus of IIM Bangalore is being established at the Singhasari Special Economic Zone (SEZ).

References

1. [The Hindu | India-Indonesia](#)
2. [Newson Air | India-Indonesia](#)