The **Prime Minister of the Republic of India** is the leader of the executive branch of the [Government of India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Government_of_India). Article 75 only says that India shall have a Prime Minister whose appointment shall be made by the President. Since 1947, there have been 14 different prime ministers. India's first prime minister—[Jawaharlal Nehru](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Jawaharlal_Nehru)—took oath on 15 August 1947. The prime minister is the chief adviser to the [president of India](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/President_of_India) and the head of the [Union Council of Ministers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Union_Council_of_Ministers).

**Executive powers**

The prime minister leads the functioning and exercise of authority of the government of India.

The prime minister is responsible for aiding and advising the president in distribution of work of the government to various ministries and offices. . [council of ministers](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Union_Council_of_Ministers)  also work upon to decide a core group of ministers (known as the cabinet)

The prime minister—in consultation with the cabinet—schedules and attends the sessions of the houses of parliament

The prime minister is responsible for aiding and advising the president in distribution of work of the government to various ministries and offices and in terms of the *Government of India Rules, 1961.*

**Administrative power**

The prime minister selects and can dismiss members of the cabinet

allocates posts to members within the government

and is the presiding member and chairperson of the cabinet.

**Legislative Powers**

The prime minister acts as the leader of the house of the chamber of parliament—generally the [Lok Sabha](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Lok_Sabha)—he/she belongs to. In this role, the prime minister is tasked with representing the executive in the legislature, he/she is also expected to announce important legislation, and is further expected to respond to the [opposition's](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Official_Opposition_(India)) concerns.