

Cricket in India

<u>Cricket</u> is the most popular sport in <u>India</u>. It is played almost everywhere in the country. [4] The <u>Board of Control for Cricket in India</u> is the governing body of Indian cricket and conduct all domestic tournaments and select the players for <u>India national cricket team</u> and <u>India women's national cricket team</u>.

Domestic competitions in India annually organized by BCCI include the Ranji Trophy, the <u>Duleep Trophy</u>, the <u>Vijay Hazare Trophy</u>, the <u>Deodhar Trophy</u>, the <u>Irani Trophy</u> and the <u>NKP Salve Challenger Trophy</u>. The <u>Indian Premier League</u>, a Twenty20 tournament where various city-based franchises compete in a style similar to <u>American football</u>, is one of the biggest sporting leagues and the biggest cricketing league in the world. In 2023 it launched a similar league for females, the Women's Premier League (WPL)

International **cricket in India** does not follow a consistent pattern, unlike other cricketing teams such as <u>England</u>, who tour other countries during the winter and play at home during the summer. The Indian cricket team is one of the most successful cricket teams in the world, having won 2 <u>ICC</u> World Cups, 2 <u>ICC</u> World Twenty20, 3 <u>ICC</u> Champion's Trophies and finished runners up in 2 <u>ICC</u> World Test Championships. The <u>2021 ICC</u> Men's <u>T20</u> World Cup, was initially meant to be hosted by India. However, after the escalation of the <u>COVID-19 Pandemic in India</u>, the tournament was moved by the ICC to the United Arab Emirates. The <u>2023 Cricket</u> World Cup was hosted by India.

Cricket is an important part of Indian culture [5] and top players, like Sunil Manohar Gavaskar, Mohinder Amarnath, Kapil Dev, Bishan Singh Bedi, Jasprit Bumrah, Mohammed Siraj, Virender Sehwag, Lala Amarnath, Polly Umrigar, Sachin Tendulkar, Sourav Ganguly, Yuvraj Singh, MS Dhoni, Rohit Sharma and Virat Kohli often attain celebrity status and are some of the most influential figures in the country. Cricket is often portrayed patriotically in popular Indian films, including the Academy Award-nominated film, Lagaan, and 83, the 2021 sports drama film about India's Cricket World Cup victory in 1983. The Indian cricket team shares a long-standing rivalry with the Pakistani cricket team, and India-Pakistan matches are some of the most anticipated matches in the world, and one of the most watched television broadcasts in the world. It was only in 1983 when India defeated the West Indies that made the sport become popular.

History

Cricket was brought to India in the early 1700s, with the first documented instance of cricket being played in 1721. At the time of its introduction, it was used as a medium for Indians to integrate into British cultural norms. [6] By serving as a bridge between the two groups, it made assimilating much easier. In its early time in India, it was played and used by Indian elites to gain favour with the British which not only aided in the value of the sport due to its association with the elite but its high status helped it spread throughout India. [7] Although it began as a foreign sport, the sport ultimately became associated with India and began to play a role in India's identity. In the late 1800s, cricket's image began to move away from being an exclusively upper class sport as players from lower castes and underprivileged communities began to play and make their mark. [8]

1800s to 1918

The first ever match of first-class cricket played in India was in 1864 between Calcutta and Madras. Not many records exist from the match. The entire history of cricket in India and the sub-continent as a whole is based on the existence and development of the <u>British Raj</u> via the <u>East India Company</u>.

1918 to 1945

India became the sixth national team to play $\underline{\text{Test cricket}}$ on their $\underline{1932 \text{ tour of England}}$. Captained by $\underline{\text{C. K. Nayudu}}$, their inaugural Test was against $\underline{\text{England}}$ at $\underline{\text{Lord's Cricket Ground}}$ from 25 to 28 June, but they were defeated by 158 runs. $\underline{^{[9]}}$

1945 to 1960

The major and defining event in the history of Indian cricket during this period was the <u>Partition of</u> India following full independence from the British Raj in 1947.

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Narendra Modi Stadium in Ahmedabad, Gujarat

Country India

Governing body Board of Control for Cricket in

India

National team(s) India Men

India Women
India U-19 Men
India U-19 Women
India A Men
India A Women

First played 1721^[1]
Clubs 10 (IPL)
5 (WPL)

National competitions

List

- Senior Cricket Competition:
 - First Class Cricket
 - Ranji Trophy
 - Duleep Trophy
 - Irani Trophy
 - Senior Women's Inter Zonal Multi-Day Trophy
 - Senior Women's Multi Day Challenger Trophy
 - List A Cricket
 - Vijay Hazare Trophy
 - Deodhar Trophy
 - Senior Women's One Day Trophy
 - Senior Women's One Day Challenger Trophy
 - T20 Cricket
 - Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy
 - Senior Women's T20 Trophy
 - Senior Women's T20 Challenger
 Trophy
- U-23 Cricket Competition:
 - First Class Cricket
 - CK Nayudu Trophy (4 day format)
 - List A Cricket

An early casualty of change was the <u>Bombay Quadrangular</u> tournament, which had been a focal point of Indian cricket for over 50 years. The new India had no place for teams based on ethnic origin. As a result, the Ranji Trophy came into its own as the national championship. The last Bombay Pentangular, as it had become, was won by the Hindus in 1945–46.

India also recorded its first Test victory in 1952, beating England by an innings in Madras. [10]

1960 to 1970

One team totally dominated Indian cricket in the 1960s. As part of 14 consecutive victories in the Ranji Trophy from 1958–59 to 1972–73, Bombay won the title in all ten seasons of the period under review. Among its players were Farokh Engineer, Dilip Sardesai, Bapu Nadkarni, Ramakant Desai, Baloo Gupte, Ashok Mankad and Ajit Wadekar. In the 1961–1962 season, the Duleep Trophy was inaugurated as a zonal competition. It was named after Ranji's nephew, Kumar Shri Duleepsinhji (1905–59). With Bombay in its catchment, it is not surprising that the West Zone won six of the first nine titles.

1970 to 1985

Bombay continued to dominate Indian domestic cricket, with only Karnataka, Delhi, and a few other teams able to mount any kind of challenge during this period.

India enjoyed two international highlights. In 1971, they won a Test series in England for the first time ever, surprisingly defeating Ray Illingworth's Ashes winners. In 1983, again in England, India were surprise winners of the 1983 Cricket World Cup under the captaincy of Kapil Dev. Kapil Dev was also most known for the Viv Richards Catch, and him scoring 175 not out, being the first Indian to score an ODI Century, and also broke the World Record of Glenn Turner's 171. 183 is the lowest score ever defended in a world cup final, and India has done the unthinkable!

During the 1970s, the Indian cricket team began to see success overseas beating New Zealand, and holding Australia, South Africa and England to a draw. The backbone of the team was the Indian spin quartet – Bishen Bedi, E. A. S. Prasanna, B. S. Chandrasekhar and Srinivas Venkataraghavan, giving rise to what would later be called the Golden Era of Indian cricket history. This decade also saw the emergence of two of India's best ever batsmen, Sunil Gavaskar and Gundappa Vishwanath responsible for the back-to-back series wins in 1971 in the West Indies and in England, under the captaincy of Ajit Wadekar.

The <u>Indian women's team</u> made its test debut in 1976, becoming the third nation to do so. It made its <u>ODI</u> debut on 1 January 1978.

1985 to 2000

In the late 1980s, continuous live coverage of overseas matches was broadcast by British networks. This was a major factor in shaping what was now becoming the modern game of cricket. Modern technology and the establishment of specialized television networks set a global interest for the sport. ESPN and Star Sports added cricket to part of the 24 hours of continuous live coverage that they were needed to produce. Global popularity increased among the Eastern world. Soon after a domestic league (the Indian Premier League) was established.

Several team names and spellings were altered during the 1990s when traditional Indian names were introduced to replace those that were associated with the British Raj. Most notably, Bombay became Mumbai, and the venue of Calcutta became Kolkata, both where the main places where the British did all their business.

During the 1980s, India developed a more attack-focused batting line-up with talented batsmen such as Mohammad Azharuddin, Dilip Vengsarkar and Ravi Shastri prominent during this decade. Despite India's victory in the Cricket World Cup in 1983, the team performed poorly in the Test arena, including 28 consecutive Test matches without a victory. However, India won the Asia Cup in 1984 and won the World Championship of Cricket in Australia in 1985. The 1987 Cricket World Cup was held in India and Pakistan – the first time it was played outside England.

From the 1993–94 season, the $\underline{\text{Duleep Trophy}}$ was converted from a knockout competition to a league format.

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- Mens Under-23 State A Trophy
- Women's under 23 One Day Trophy
- T20 Cricket
 - Women's under 23 T20 Trophy
- U-19 Cricket Competition:
 - First Class Cricket
 - Cooch Behar Trophy (4 day format)
 - List A Cricket
 - Vinoo Mankad Trophy
 - Men's Under-19 One Day Challenger Trophy
 - Women's under 19 One Day Trophy
 - T20 Cricket
 - Women's under 19 T20 Trophy
 - Women's under 19 T20 Challenger Trophy
- U-16 Cricket Competition:
 - First Class Cricket
 - Vijay Merchant Trophy
 - List A Cricket
 - Women's under 15 One Day Trophy
- University Cricket Competition:
 - Vizzy Trophy (One Day format)

Club competitions

List

- Indian Premier League (M)
- Women's Premier League (W)

International competitions

List

Men's national team

- ICC World Test Championship: Runnersup (2019-2021, 2021-2023)
- <u>Cricket World Cup</u>: **Champions** (1983, 2011)
- ICC Men's T20 World Cup: Champions (2007, 2024)
- ICC Champions Trophy: Champions (2002, 2013, 2025)
- Asia Cup: Champions (1984, 1988, 1990-1991, 1955, 2010, 2016, 2018, 2023)
- Commonwealth Games: Group Stage (1998)
- Asian Games: Gold Medal (2022)

■ Men's U-19 national team

- Under-19 Cricket World Cup:
 Champions (2000, 2008, 2012, 2018, 2022)
- ACC Under-19 Asia Cup: Champions (1989, 2003, 2012, 2013–14, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2021)
- India A cricket team

Despite its arrival in the 1700s, cricket's popularity soared gradually as it spread across regions. It became a unifying factor in the country, transcending social and cultural barriers. [11] The sport was initially popular amongst the elite, but it began to transcend as people from lower castes would come together to play, watch, and engage with the sport. Post-independence, cricket continued to flourish and became an integral part of the nation's fabric, particularly in their rivalries, the most prevalent one being India v Pakistan. The Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) emerged as a pivotal force, steering the sport toward globalization. In addition, technology played a crucial role as it increased accessibility by bringing live cricket matches into homes which amplified its reach and its impact. [12]

The pivotal moment in cricket's globalization in India came with success on the international stage. Victories in major tournaments aided in globalization, but the tipping points occurred in the iconic 1983 Cricket World Cup win which not only captivated the nation but the world. Even the most optimistic of fans believed the furthest India could go was the semi-finals, so when India reached the finals, audiences were captivated. This match was led by now legend, Kapil Dev in addition to Sunil Gavaskar and Sachin Tendulkar who were highly revered throughout India which aided in the increased popularity and globalization of cricket. Because these legends were not upper class elites, they emerged as cultural icons who represented the dreams and aspirations of millions in addition to the increased sense of pride they evoked. Their success on the global stage in a post-colonial India resonated deeply with India as it evoked pride and honor which many had not felt in a long time. $\frac{[14]}{}$

In addition to the increased sense of nationalism which aided in its globalization, cricket mirrored the changing socio-political landscape of India. By shifting a once elite sport into something accessible to the masses, the sport echoed societal transformations with the rise of the middle class. Cricket became a vessel for social mobility and offered opportunities and hope to people across India regardless of their religion, caste, or social standing. With the increased popularity of the sport in India, especially in the 1980s, international satellite television networks latched onto cricket because of its global audience and the newly emerged market of viewers in India. In order to secure their place, these networks worked out broadcasting deals with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) which gave the BCCI an immense amount of wealth which further aided in the globalization of cricket.

In addition to its spread through television, its globalization has a direct link to India's increase in consumerism. As the sport became increasingly popular in India in the 80's into the 90s, India experienced a rapid expansion of both televised and billboard advertising. [12] As a result, it became common for various

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21st century



<u>Sachin Tendulkar</u> is one of the greatest cricketers of all time. He is known as the 'God of Cricket'.

Sachin Tendulkar was one of the key members during 1989–2013 for Team India in multiple formats.

Since 2000, the Indian team underwent major improvements with the appointment of John Wright, India's first ever foreign coach. This appointment met success internationally as India maintained their unbeaten home record against Australia in Test series after defeating them in 2001 and won the inaugural ICC World Twenty20 in 2007. India was also the first sub-continental team to win at the WACA in January 2008 against Australia.

India's victory against the Australians in 2001 marked the beginning of a dream era

for the team under the captainship of <u>Sourav Ganguly</u>, winning Test matches in Zimbabwe, Sri Lanka, West Indies and England. India also shared a joint victory with Sri Lanka in the ICC Champions Trophy and went on to the finals in the 2003 Cricket World Cup only to be beaten by Australia.

In September 2007, India won the first ever $\underline{\text{Twenty20 World Cup}}$ held in South Africa, beating their arch-rivals Pakistan by 5 runs in a thrilling final. $\underline{^{[17]}}$

India won the <u>Cricket World Cup</u> in 2011 under the captainship of Mahendra Singh Dhoni, the first time since 1983 (28 years) – they beat <u>Sri Lanka</u> in the final held in Mumbai's Wankhede Stadium. [18]

India played its 500th Test match against New Zealand led by <u>Kane Williamson</u> at Kanpur from 22 to 26 September 2016. India won this match by 197 runs. This test was played under the captaincy of <u>Virat Kohli</u>.

ACC Emerging Teams Asia Cup:
 Champions (2013)

Women's national team

- Women's Cricket World Cup: Runnersup (2005, 2017)
- ICC Women's World Twenty20: Runners-up (2020)
- Women's Asia Cup: Champions (2004, 2005-2006, 2006, 2008, 2012, 2016, 2022)
- Commonwealth Games: Silver Medal (2022)
- Asian Games: Gold Medal (2022)

Women's U-19 national team

- Under-19 Women's T20 World Cup:Champions (2023, 2025)
- ACC Under-19 Women's T20 Asia Cup: Champions (2024)
- India A women's cricket team
 - ACC Women's T20 Emerging Teams
 Asia Cup: Champions (2023)

Audience records

Single match 465,000 (Five-day Test)

India v. Pakistan at <u>Eden</u>
<u>Gardens</u>, Kolkata, 16–20
February 1999^[2]

1,592,543 (Total)

2017 IPL^[3]

Season

26,528 per match



Ranjitsinhji was regarded as one of the best batsmen of his time

Administration

The **Board of Control for Cricket in India** (**BCCI**) is the principal national governing body of cricket in India. [20] Its headquarters is situated at the Cricket Centre in Churchgate, Mumbai. [21] The BCCI is the wealthiest governing body of cricket in the world. [22][23][24] The BCCI is involved in talent development through grassroots programs and cricket academies. Its initiatives include infrastructure development, coaching, and player welfare programs designed to maintain and enhance India's competitive performance internationally.

The BCCI was established in 1 December 1928 at Madras (currently Chennai) under Act XXI of 1860 of Madras and was subsequently reregistered under the Tamil Nadu Societies Registration Act, 1975. It is a consortium of state cricket associations that select their own representatives who elect the BCCI president. It joined the Imperial Cricket Conference in 1926 which later became the International Cricket Council. The BCCI is an autonomous, private organization that does not fall under the purview of the National Sports Federation of India of Government of India and does not receive any grants from the Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports. The BCCI is influential in international cricket. The International Cricket Council shares the largest part of its revenue with the BCCI. IPL run by BCCI is one of the wealthiest sports leagues in the world.

National teams

The <u>India national cricket team</u> is governed by the <u>Board of Control for Cricket in India</u> (BCCI) and is a member of the <u>Asian Cricket Council</u> (ACC). Since 1926, the BCCI has been affiliated with <u>ICC</u>, the international governing body for world cricket. In 1983, the BCCI became one of the founding members of the ACC.

Performance

The following list includes the performance of all of India's national teams at major competitions.

Men's senior team

The Indian senior national team had several successes and is considered No. 1 team in

Asia and one of the best team in the world cricket. The national team's highest achievement is winning Cricket World Cups.

Tournament	Appearance in finals	Last appearance	Best performance
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup	4 out of 13	2023	Champions (1983, 2011)
ICC Men's T20 World Cup	3 out of 9	2024	Champions (2007, 2024)
ICC Champions Trophy	5 out of 9	2025	Champions (2002, 2013, 2025)
ICC World Test Championship	2 out of 3	2023–25	Runners-up (<u>2019–21</u> , <u>2021–23</u>)
Asia Cup	11 out of 16	2023	Champions (1984, 1988, 1990–1991, 1995, 2010, 2016, 2018, 2023)
Commonwealth Games	0 out of 1	1998	Group Stage (1998)
Asian Games	1 out of 3	2022	Gold Medal (2022)

India (Women's)

India A Women

India U-19 (Women's)

National teams of India

India (Men's)

India A Men

India U-19 (Men's)

Tendulkar, upon reaching his 38th Test century against Australia in the 2nd Test at the <u>SCG</u> in 2008, where he finished not out on 154

Women's senior team

Women's cricket arrived in India much later; the <u>Women's Cricket Association of India</u> (WCAI) was formed in 1973. [30] The Indian women's team played their first Test match in 1976, against the <u>West Indies</u>. [31]

India recorded its first-ever Test win in November 1978 against West Indies under Shantha Rangaswamy's captaincy at the Moin-ul-Haq Stadium in Patna. [32][33]

The WCAI, the governing body for women's cricket, was affiliated to the <u>International Women's Cricket Council</u>. As part of the <u>International Cricket Council</u>'s initiative to develop women's cricket, the Women's Cricket Association of India was merged with the Board of Control for Cricket in India in 2006/07. [34]

In 2021, the BCCI announced that <u>Ramesh Powar</u> would become the Head Coach of the Indian Women's Cricket Team. [35][36] In 2022, Indian Women script history by winning 1st series on England soil in 23 years. [37]



Indian Batter at Cricket World Cup 2010

Tournament	Appearance in finals	Last appearance	Best performance
ICC Women's Cricket World Cup	2 out of 12	2022	Runners-up (2005, 2017)
ICC Women's T20 World Cup	1 out of 9	2024	Runners-up (2020)
Women's Asia Cup	7 out of 9	2024	Champions (2004, 2005-2006, 2006, 2008, 2012, 2016, 2022)
Commonwealth Games	1 out of 1	2022	Silver Medal (2022)
Asian Games	1 out of 3	2022	Gold Medal (<u>2022</u>)

Men's A team

Tournament	Appearance in finals	Last appearance	Best performance
ACC Emerging Teams Asia Cup	3 out of 6	2024	Champions (2013)

Women's A team

Tournament	Finals appearance	Last appearance	Best performance
ACC Women's T20 Emerging Teams Asia Cup	1 out of 1	2023	Champions (2023)

Men's U-19 team

Tournament	Appearance in finals	Last appearance	Best performance
ICC Under-19 Cricket World Cup	9 out of 15	2024	Champions (2000, 2008, 2012, 2018, 2022)
ACC Under-19 Asia Cup	9 out of 11	2024	Champions (1989, 2003, 2012, 2013–14, 2016, 2018, 2019, 2021)

Women's U-19 team

Tournament	Appearance in finals	Last appearance	Best performance
Under-19 Women's T20 World Cup	2 out of 2	2025	Champions (2023, 2025)
Under-19 Women's T20 Asia Cup	1 out of 1	2024	Champions (2024)

Affiliated state associations and leagues

Membership of the Board of Control for Cricket in India is made up of Full Members and Associate Members. [38][39]

Full Members

The majority of full members are <u>state</u> cricket associations. Each state is permitted one representative, except for <u>Gujarat</u> and <u>Maharashtra</u>, which have three. There are additional representatives from Indian <u>Railways</u>, <u>Services</u> and <u>Universities</u>. Changes recommended by the <u>Lodha Committee</u> included restricting full membership to state associations and limiting states to one full member, with the others becoming associate members, $\frac{[40]}{}$ but these have not been fully adopted by the BCCI, with existing members retaining full membership except for <u>Cricket Club of India</u> (Mumbai) and National Cricket Club (Kolkata).

No.	Name	Represents	President	Zone
1	Andhra Cricket Association	Andhra Pradesh	P. Sarath Chandra Reddy	South
2	Arunachal Cricket Association	Arunachal Pradesh	TC Tok	North East
3	Assam Cricket Association	Assam	Taranga Gogoi	East
4	Baroda Cricket Association	Vadodara	Pranav Amin	West
5	Bihar Cricket Association	Bihar	Rakesh Kumar Tiwary	East
6	Chhattisgarh State Cricket Sangh	Chhattisgarh	Jubin Shah	Central
7	Cricket Association of Bengal	West Bengal	Snehasish Ganguly	East
8	Cricket Association of Mizoram	Mizoram	Lalrochhuanga Pachuau	North East
9	Cricket Association of Pondicherry ^[42]	Puducherry	G.M. Arunkumar	South
10	Cricket Association of Uttarakhand	Uttarakhand	Jot Singh Gunsola	Central
11	Delhi & District Cricket Association	Delhi	Rohan Jaitley	North
12	Goa Cricket Association	Goa	Vipul Phadke	South
13	Gujarat Cricket Association	Gujarat (excluding <u>Saurashtra</u> and <u>Vadodara</u>)	Dhanraj Nathwani	West
14	Haryana Cricket Association	Haryana	Paramjit Mann	North
15	Himachal Pradesh Cricket Association	Himachal Pradesh	Arun Dhumal	North
16	Hyderabad Cricket Association	Telangana	Jagan Mohan Rao	South
17	Jammu & Kashmir Cricket Association	Jammu and Kashmir	Anil Gupta	North
18	Jharkhand State Cricket Association	Jharkhand	Sanjay Sahay	East
19	Karnataka State Cricket Association	Karnataka	Raghuram Bhat Adwai	South
20	Kerala Cricket Association	Kerala	Jayesh George	South
21	Madhya Pradesh Cricket Association	Madhya Pradesh	Abhilash Khandekar	Central
22	Maharashtra Cricket Association	Maharashtra (excluding <u>Mumbai</u> and <u>Vidarbha</u>)	Rohit Rajendra Pawar	West
23	Manipur Cricket Association	Manipur	Nongthombam Zico Meetei	North East
24	Meghalaya Cricket Association	Meghalaya	Danny Marak	North East
25	Mumbai Cricket Association	Mumbai	Amol Kale	West
26	Nagaland Cricket Association	Nagaland	Kechangulie Rio	North East
27	Odisha Cricket Association	Odisha	Pranab Prakash Das	East
28	Punjab Cricket Association	Punjab	Gulzar Inder Chahal	North
29	Railways Sports Promotion Board	Indian Railways	D. K. Gayen	Central
30	Rajasthan Cricket Association	Rajasthan	Vaibhav Gahlot	Central
31	Saurashtra Cricket Association	Saurashtra	Jaydev Shah	West
32	Services Sports Control Board	Indian Armed Forces	Varun Singh	North
33	Sikkim Cricket Association	Sikkim	Tika Subba	North East
34	Tamil Nadu Cricket Association	Tamil Nadu	Dr. P. Ashok Sigamani	South
35	Union Territory Cricket Association ^[43]	Chandigarh	-	North
36	Tripura Cricket Association	Tripura	Tapan Lodh	East
37	Uttar Pradesh Cricket Association	Uttar Pradesh	Dr. Nidhipati Singhania	Central
38	Vidarbha Cricket Association	<u>Vidarbha</u>	Vinay Deshpande	Central

Associate Members

All members not meeting the criteria for full members are classified as associate members. They include:

No.	Name	Represents	President	Zone
1	Association of Indian Universities	Indian Universities	Vinay Kumar Pathak	_
2	Cricket Club of India [41][44]	_	Madhumati Lele	_
3	National Cricket Club ^{[41][44]}	-	-	_

State Leagues list

Men's

- Andhra Premier League (Andhra Pradesh)
- Baroda T20 Challenge (Gujarat)
- Bihar Cricket League (Bihar)
- Bengal Pro T20 League (West Bengal)
- Delhi Premier League T20 (Delhi)
- Kerala Cricket League (Kerala)
- Madhya Pradesh League (Madhya Pradesh)
- Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20 (Karnataka)
- Maharashtra Premier League (Maharashtra)
- Odisha Cricket League (Odisha)
- Pondicherry Premier League (Pondicherry)
- Rajasthan Premier League (Rajasthan)
- Saurashtra Premier League (Saurashtra)
- Sher-E-Punjab T20 Cup (Punjab)
- T20 Mumbai (Mumbai)
- Tamil Nadu Premier League (Tamil Nadu)
- UP T20 League (Uttar Pradesh)
- Uttarakhand Premier League (Uttarakhand)

Women's

- Bengal Pro T20 League (West Bengal)
- Delhi Premier League T20 (Delhi)
- Uttarakhand Premier League (Uttarakhand)

Organisation of cricket in modern India

International cricket

International cricket in India generally does not follow a fixed pattern. For example, the English schedule under which the nation tours other countries during the winter and plays at home during the summer. Generally, there has recently been a tendency to play more <u>one-day matches</u> than <u>Test matches</u>. Cricket in India is managed by the <u>Board of Control for Cricket in India</u> (BCCI), the richest cricket board in the cricket world. [45]

Men's National Team

The India National Cricket Team represents India in international cricket matches.

India have been participating in international cricket since 1926 and competed in international tournament since the first ever the 1975 Cricket World Cup. They have competed in numerous tournaments over the years including the ACC tournaments. The Indian national cricket team has also provided some of the greatest players to the world, the biggest example of which is Sachin Tendulkar. Indian cricket has a rich history. The Indian men's national team is currently ranked No. 1 in Tests, No. 1 in ODIs and at 1st position in T20Is. India won two World Championship cups in 1983 under the captaincy of Kapil Dev and recently won in the year 2011 under the captaincy of Mahendra Singh Dhoni, which was won after a span of 28 years. They also won the World Championship of Cricket in 1985.

■ Test- India was invited to the International Cricket Council in 1926, and made their debut as a Test playing nation in England in 1932, led by CK Nayudu, who was considered the best Indian batsman at the time. [46] The one-off Test match between the two sides was played at Lord's in London. The team was not strong in their batting [47] at this point and went on to lose by 158 runs. [48] India hosted its first men's Test cricket series in 1933. England was the visiting team that played two Tests in Bombay (now Mumbai) and Calcutta (now Kolkata). The visitors won the series 2–0. The Indian team continued to improve throughout the 1930s and 1940s but did not achieve an international victory during this period. In the early 1940s, India



Abhinav Mukund was one of the two players in the draft's Category A in 2020 TNPL



Wicket-keeping kit and bat used by Dhoni during the 2011 Cricket World Cup on display at the Blades of Glory Cricket Museum

did not play any men's Test cricket due to <u>World War II</u>. The team's first <u>series</u> as an independent country was in late 1947 against <u>Don Bradman's Australian cricket team in England in 1948</u> (a name given to the <u>Australia national cricket team</u> of that time). It was also the first Test series India played which was not against England. Australia men's cricket team won the five-match series 4–0, with Bradman tormenting the Indian bowling in his final Australian summer. [49]

One Day International- The advent of men's One Day International (ODI) cricket in 1971 created a new dimension in the cricket
world. However, India was not considered strong in ODIs at this point and batsmen such as the captain Gavaskar were known for

their defensive approach to batting. India began as a weak team in ODIs and did not qualify for the second round in the first two editions of the Cricket World Cup. [50] Gavaskar infamously blocked his way to 36 not out off 174 balls against England in the first World Cup in 1975; India scored just 132 for 3 and lost by 202 runs. [51] In contrast, India fielded a strong team in Test matches and was particularly strong at home, where their combination of stylish batsmen and beguiling spinners were at their best. India set a then Test record in the third Test against the West Indies at Port-of-Spain in 1976, when they chased 403 to win, thanks to 112 from Viswanath. [52] In November 1976, the team established another record by scoring 524 for 9 declared against New Zealand at Kanpur without any individual batsman scoring a century. [53] This innings was only the eighth instance in Test cricket where all eleven batsmen reached double figures. [54] During the 1980s, India developed a more attack-minded batting line-up with stroke makers such as the wristy Mohammad Azharuddin, Dilip Vengsarkar and all-rounders Kapil Dev and Ravi Shastri. India won the Cricket World Cup in 1983, defeating the favourites and the two-time defending champions West Indies in the final at Lord's, owing to a strong bowling performance. In spite of this, the team performed poorly in the Test arena, including 28 consecutive Test matches without a victory. In 1984, India won the Asia Cup and in 1985, won the World Championship of Cricket in Australia. Apart from this, India remained a weak team outside the Indian subcontinent. India's Test series victory in 1986 against England remained the last Test series win by India outside the subcontinent for the next 19 years. The 1980s saw Gavaskar and Kapil Dev (India's best all-rounder to date) at the pinnacle of their careers. Gayaskar made a Test record 34 centuries as he became the first man to reach the 10,000 run mark. Kapil Dev later became the highest wicket-taker in Test cricket with 434 wickets.



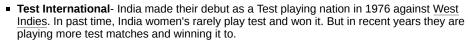
C. K. Nayudu, India's first Test cricket captain

■ T20 International- India played there first T2O International in 2006 against <u>South Africa</u>. In September 2007, India won the first-ever ICC Men's T20 World Cup held in South Africa, beating Pakistan by five runs in the final. [55] In the 2014 ICC Men's World Twenty20 hosted in Bangladesh, India narrowly missed out on another ICC trophy by losing to Sri Lanka in the final. [56]

Women's National Team

The India national women's cricket team represents India in international women's cricket matches.

India have been participating in international cricket since 1976 and competed in international tournament since the second ever the 1978 Women's Cricket World Cup. They have competed in numerous tournaments over the years including the <u>ACC</u> tournaments. They are the most successful women's cricket team in <u>Asia</u>. The Indian Women's national team is also currently ranked No. 4 in ODIs and at 3rd position in T20Is.



- One Day International-India played their first ODI International in 1978 against <u>England</u>. They
 were not able to participate in first edition of <u>Women's Cricket World Cup</u>. But in late 19s they
 have reached to ODI world cup semis consequently and in <u>2017 Women's Cricket World Cup</u>
 they have almost clinch the title in the finals.
- T20 International- India played their first T20 International in 2006 against England. India Women's have made great impact in T20 international from their early day of this format. They have been in semis of ICC Women's T20 World Cup consequently in first 2 Edition.



Dev with the Indian President Zail Singh after the team's return to India post winning the World Cup. They are holding the Cricket World Cup Trophy.



Mithali Raj is the highest run-scorer in women's international cricket. [57][58]

Domestic Cricket

Men's Domestic Cricket

First class competitions

- Ranji Trophy It was founded as the 'Cricket Championship of India' at a meeting of the Board of Control for Cricket in India in July 1934. The first Ranji Trophy fixtures took place in the 1934–35 season. Syed Mohammed Hadi of Hyderabad was the first batsman to score a century in the tournament. The Trophy was donated by H. H. Sir Bhupendra Singh Mahinder Baha-dur, Maharajah of Patiala in memory of his late Highness Sir Ranjitsinhji Vibhaji of Nawanagar, affectionately called Ranjitsinhji. In the main, the Ranji Trophy is composed of teams representing the states that makeup India. The number of competing teams has increased over the years. Some states have more than one cricket team, e.g., Maharashtra and Gujarat. There are also teams for Railways and Services representing the armed forces. The various teams used to be grouped into zones North, West, East, Central and South and the initial matches were played on a league basis within the zones. The top two teams until 1991–92 and then the top three teams in the subsequent years from each zone then played in a national knock-out competition. Starting with the 2002–03 season, the zonal system was abandoned and a two-division structure was adopted with two teams being promoted from the plate league and two relegated from the elite league. If the knockout matches are not finished, they are decided on the first-inning lead. [59]
- <u>Duleep Trophy</u> Named after <u>Duleepsinhji</u>, the Duleep Trophy competition, which is a first-class competition, was started by the <u>Board of Control for Cricket in India</u> in 1961–62 with the aim of providing a greater competitive edge in domestic cricket, because apart from the knock-out stages of the Ranji Trophy, that competition proved to be highly predictable, with Bombay winning the Ranji Trophy for fifteen consecutive years. The Duleep Trophy was also meant to help the selectors to assess the form of top cricketers playing against each other. The original format had five teams, which were drawn from the five zones (i.e. North, South, East, West and central) and played each other on a knock-out basis. From the 1993–94 season, the competition has been converted to a league format.
- Irani Trophy The Irani Trophy tournament was conceived during the 1959–60 season to mark the completion of 25 years of the Ranji Trophy championship and was named after the late Z. R. Irani, who was associated with the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI) from its inception in 1928, till his death in 1970 and a keen patron of the game. The first match, played between the Ranji

Trophy champions and the Rest of India was played in 1959–60. For the first few years, it was played at the tail end of the season. Realising the importance of the fixture, the BCCI moved it to the beginning of the season. Since 1965–66, it has traditionally heralded the start of the new domestic season. The Irani Trophy game ranks high in popularity and importance. It is one of the few domestic matches followed with keen interest by cricket lovers in the country. Leading players take part in the game, which has often been a sort of selection trial to pick the Indian team for foreign tours.

Limited overs competitions

- **Deodhar Trophy** Started in 1973–74 by <u>Board of Control for Cricket in India</u>, it is a one-day cricket competition in Indian domestic cricket. It was formerly contested by 5 zonal teams North zone, South zone, East zone, West zone and Central zone. From 2015–16 to 2017–18, it was contested by the winners of the <u>Vijay Hazare Trophy</u>, <u>India A</u> and <u>India B</u>. Starting in 2018–19 it has featured India A, India B and India C.
- Vijay Hazare Trophy Named after the prolific Indian cricketer <u>Vijay Hazare</u>, the Trophy was started in 2002–03 as an attempt to bring the limited-overs game among a greater audience. The competition involves the state (and other) teams from the Ranji Trophy battling in a 50-over format. Since its conception, Tamil Nadu and Mumbai have won the trophy the most times (5). It is also dubbed as the Premier Cup by BCCI.

Twenty20 competitions

- Indian Premier League In response to the rival ICL, the BCCI started the Twenty20 competition known as the Indian Premier League (IPL), which is regarded as the brainchild of Lalit Modi. This League was launched by BCCI in 2007–08 and received widespread recognition from around the country. The players were selected via the auctions and drafted into the city-based franchises. The first IPL season was held from 18 April 2008 to 1 June 2008 where underdogs Rajasthan Royals, led by Shane Warne, won the first title at the DY Patil Stadium in Navi Mumbai [60] Based on regional loyalties, the eight-team tournament brings a unique and popular team and player auction system hand-picking some of the best international players in the world and teaming them with Indian players, both domestic and international, in one arena. The total prize money for the IPL was \$3 million. [60] The IPL has also Americanized cricket by adding cheerleaders and creating a setting of non stop action similar to sporting events in the USA. The IPL tournament consists of 10 different city based franchises. [61]
- Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy After India became another member of the ICC Twenty20 and played its first international T20 against South Africa, the BCCI launched its own state structure in 2006–07 season, with 27 Ranji teams divided in 5 Zones. The final was played between Punjab and Tamil Nadu, which the latter won by 2 wickets with 2 balls remaining, thereby becoming the only ever winner of this series. In this series, Rohit Sharma also became the only ever Indian to register a T20 century for Mumbai against Gujarat. The competition was later replaced by the franchise-based IPL. Played for the first time in the 2008–09 season, this is the first of its kind zonal T20 championship and the third overall in the Indian cricket season, which would see Ranji teams divided along zonal lines into two groups with the tournament culminating in the All India T20 final between the winners of the two groups for the Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy. It was launched after the success of the IPL and the need of the BCCI to search for more talent in the growing regions of cricket.

In 2020, stronger crowd participation was seen than in other forms of the game. It has been greatly acknowledged by people and has made huge profits.

Youth competitions

- <u>CK Nayudu Trophy</u> It is a domestic cricket championship played in <u>India</u> between under-23 teams representing various state and regional cricket associations. It is organised by the <u>Board of Control for Cricket in India</u> (BCCI) and is named after India's first <u>Test cricket</u> captain <u>C. K. Nayudu. ^{[62][63]} Each match is played over four-days. Over its history, it has been played with various age-limits including under-22, under-23, under-25. The current champions are Gujarat who defeated Mumbai in the 2023 final. ^[64]</u>
- Mens Under-23 State A Trophy
- Cooch Behar Trophy An inter-state U-19 4-day matches tournament. [65]
- Vinoo Mankad Trophy A trophy tournament for under-19, in memories of famous cricketer Vinoo Mankad. [66][67]
- Men's Under-19 One Day Challenger Trophy
- Vijay Merchant Trophy
- Vizzy Trophy

Women's Domestic Cricket

First class competitions

- Senior Women's Inter Zonal Multi-Day Trophy -It is an Indian women's cricket first-class domestic competition organised by the Board of Control for Cricket in India. The competition began in 2014–15, as a two-day competition, with the three subsequent competitions in 2015–16, 2016–17 and 2017–18 operating with a three-day format. The competition features five teams, each representing a region (or "zone") of India: Central Zone, East Zone, North Zone, South Zone and West Zone. Central Zone are the most successful team in the history of the competition, winning the first three editions. The holders are North Zone, who won the most recent competition in 2017–18.
- Senior Women's Multi Day Challenger Trophy-

Limited overs competitions

■ Senior Women's One Day Trophy — Started in season 2006–07, it is the women's List-A cricket tournament. Railways women has been the most dominant team, winning 10 out of the 11 tournaments. It was played in round-robin format at zonal level and the top performing team then playing in the super league. The format was changed in season 2013–14, since then it is played in 2 tiers, with states being divided in 5 groups, 2 in elite group and 3 in plate group. Finalists in the plate group, at the end of season are promoted to the elite group and 2 bottom most performing teams in the elite group are relegated to the plate group.

■ Senior Women's One Day Challenger Trophy - The Senior Women's Challenger Trophy is an Indian women's <u>one-day cricket</u> tournament. It is the women's version of <u>NKP Salve Challenger Trophy</u>. Established in the 2008–09 season, it is played with the purpose of showcasing the talent that the country has, as well as providing opportunities for younger players to make an impression.

Twenty20 competitions

- Women's Premier League -It is a women's Twenty20 cricket franchise league in India, owned and operated by the Board of Control for Cricket in India (BCCI). [68][69]
- Senior Women's T20 Trophy It is a women's Twenty20 competition. It is played between full members of BCCI. The inaugural tournament was held in the 2008–09 season. Since then it has taken place every year with 2015–16 being the 8th edition. [70]
- Senior Women's T20 Challenger Trophy-The Women's Senior T20 Challenger Trophy is a women's T20 tournament held in India. The tournament first took place in the 2009–10 season, as the T20 equivalent to the List A Senior Women's Challenger Trophy. The participating teams were the same as in the List A tournament: India Blue, India Green and India Red, with India Green emerging victorious in the final. The tournament later returned in the 2018–19 season, with India Blue winning their first title, defeating India Red by 4 runs in the final. In the third edition of the tournament in 2019–20, the teams competing were named India A, India B and India C, with India C winning the final by 8 wickets over India B. The tournament returned in 2022–23, now with four teams competing, and was won by the new team, India D.

Youth competitions

- Women's under 23 One Day Trophy
- Women's under 23 T20 Trophy
- Women's under 19 One Day Trophy
- Women's under 19 T20 Trophy
- Women's under 19 T20 Challenger Trophy
- Women's under 15 One Day Trophy

Stadiums

India has a plethora of international standards Cricket stadiums. The world's largest stadium, Narendra Modi Stadium, is located in India. Eden Gardens of Kolkata, the 3rd largest cricket stadium in the world, is situated in West Bengal. The domestic cricket governing bodies such as the State Cricket Association controls cricket related activities and sanctioned tournaments in their respective regions and hence, there are 38 Ranji Teams. These domestic boards are affiliated to BCCI, while district cricket boards in the country are affiliated to state boards. The country has lots of private cricket academies and clubs. The world's 3rd largest cricket arena is being built in Jaipur. MRF Pace Foundation provide facilities to fast ballers.

Active stadiums

	Name of the stadium	Location	Capacity		of Dom ches pl			No. of International matches played		First match	Latest match
1				Test	ODI	T20I	Test	ODI	T20I		
2	M. A. Chidambaram Stadium	<u>Chennai</u>	38,200	34	28	2	18	11	7	10 February 1934	January 2025
3	Eden Gardens	Kolkata	68,000	42	36	11	16	21	15	5 January 1935	16 November 2023
4	Arun Jaitley Cricket Stadium	<u>Delhi</u>	35,200	35	31	7	19	9	6	10 November 1948	25 October 2023
5	Brabourne Stadium	<u>Mumbai</u>	50,000	18	9	1	5	11	10	9 December 1948	29 October 2018
6	Green Park Stadium	Kanpur	32,000	23	15	1	4	3	2	12 January 1952	25 November 2021
7	M. Chinnaswamy Stadium	<u>Bengaluru</u>	40,000	24	31	11	14	12	8	22 November 1974	17 January 2024
8	Wankhede Stadium	<u>Mumbai</u>	33,109	26	28	8	23	17	9	23 January 1975	2 January 2024
9	Barabati Stadium	Cuttack	45,000	2	19	3	1	8	0	27 January 1982	12 June 2022
10	Sawai Mansingh Stadium	Jaipur	30,000	1	19	1	0	9	0	2 October 1983	17 November 2021
11	Narendra Modi Stadium	Ahmedabad	132,000	15	31	7	3	4	12	12 November 1983	19 November 2023
12	Inderjit Singh Bindra Stadium	<u>Mohali</u>	27,000	14	26	7	6	5	3	22 November 1993	11 January 2024
13	IPCL Sports Complex Ground	<u>Vadodara</u>	20,000	0	10	0	0	11	3	16 December 1997	14 October 2019
14	YS Rajasekhara Reddy Stadium	Visakhapatnam	27,500	3	10	5	4	5	6	5 April 2005	2 February 2024
15	Rajiv Gandhi Stadium	<u>Hyderabad</u>	55,000	6	10	3	4	9	5	16 November 2005	25 January 2024
16	Holkar Stadium	Indore	30,000	3	7	4	2	2	3	15 April 2006	14 January 2024
17	VCA Stadium	Nagpur	45,000	7	9	13	0	3	2	6 November 2008	9 February 2023
18	Dr. DY Patil Sports Stadium	Navi Mumbai	45,300	0	0	0	1	0	2	11 November 2009	19 October 2023
19	MCA Stadium	Pune	42,700	2	12	4	4	9	8	20 December 2012	1 November 2023
20	SCA Stadium	Rajkot	28,000	3	4	5	3	2	4	11 January 2013	15 February 2024
21	JSCA Stadium	Ranchi	50,000	3	6	4	2	3	3	19 January 2013	23 February 2024
22	HPCA Stadium	Dharamshala	21,200	2	9	10	2	7	2	27 January 2013	7 March 2024
23	Greater Noida SC Ground	Greater Noida	8,000	0	5	6	1	0	0	8 March 2017	10 March 2020
24	ACA Stadium	Guwahati	46,000	0	2	5	0	2	3	10 October 2017	28 November 2023
25	Greenfield Stadium	Thiruvananthapuram	50,000	0	2	4	0	3	4	7 November 2017	26 November 2023
26	Rajiv Gandhi Stadium	Dehradun	25,000	1	5	6	0	0	0	3 June 2018	15 March 2019

27	BRSAB Vajpayee Ekana Stadium	Lucknow	50,000	1	9	6	0	2	3	6 November 2018	29 October 2023
28	Lalabhai Contractor Stadium	Surat	7,000	0	0	0	0	0	4	24 September 2019	4 October 2019
29	SV Narayan Singh Stadium	Raipur	65,000	0	1	1	0	1	2	21 January 2023	1 December 2023
30	Shrimant Madhavrao Scindia Cricket Stadium	Gwalior	50,000	0	0	0	0	0	1	6 October 2024	6 October 2024
31	Kotambi Stadium	Vadodara	40,000	0	0	0	0	0	3	22 December 2024	27 December 2024

International competitions hosted

Competition	Edition	Winner	Final	Runners- up	India's position	Venues	Final venue	Stadium
			Men's	s senior comp	etitions			
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup	1987 Cricket World Cup	Australia	253/5 (50 overs) – 246/8 (50 overs)	+ England	Semi-finals	21 (in 2 countries)	Eden Gardens	Se Koncu casi me
Asia Cup	1990–91 Asia <u>Cup</u>	India	205/3 (42.1 overs) – 204/9 (45 overs)	Sri Lanka	Champions	3 (in 3 cities)	Eden Gardens	New Meaning and Miles
ICC Champions Trophy	2006 ICC Champions Trophy	Australia	116/2 (28.1 overs) - 138 (30.4 overs)	West Indies	Group stage	4 (in 4 cities)	Brabourne Stadium	
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup	1996 Cricket World Cup	Sri Lanka	241/7 (50 overs) – 245/3 (46.2 overs)	Australia	Semi-finals	26 (in 3 countries)	Gaddafi Stadium	
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup	2011 Cricket World Cup	<u> </u>	277/4 (48.2 overs) – 274/6 (50 overs)	Sri Lanka	Champions	13 (in 3 countries)	Wankhede Stadium	
ICC Men's T20 World Cup	2016 ICC World Twenty20	West Indies	161/6 (19.4 overs) – 155/9 (20 overs)	+ England	Semi-finals	7 (in 7 cities)	Eden Gardens	Se bone as m
ICC Men's Cricket World Cup	2023 ICC Men's Cricket World Cup	<u>Australia</u>	241/4 (43 overs) – 240 (50 overs)	<u>India</u>	Runners-up	10 (in 10 cities)	Narendra Modi Stadium	
			Womer	n's senior com	petitions			
ICC Women's Cricket World Cup	1978 Women's Cricket World Cup	Australia	100/2 (31.3 overs) – 96/8 (50 overs)	+ England	Group Stage	4 (in 4 cities)	Lal Bahadur Shastri Stadium, Hyderabad	
ICC Women's Cricket World Cup	1997 Women's Cricket World Cup	Australia	165/5 (47.4 overs) – 164 (49.3 overs)	New Zealand	Semi-finals	27 (in 21 cities)	Eden Gardens	AN MORRIE CREE MY
Women's Asia Cup	2006 Women's Asia Cup	<u> </u>	95/2 (27.5 overs) – 93 (44.1 overs)	Sri Lanka	Champions	1 (in 1 city)	Sawai Mansingh Stadium	
ICC Women's Cricket World Cup	2013 Women's Cricket World Cup	Australia	259/7 (50 overs) – 145 (43.1 overs)	West Indies	Group Stage	5 (in 2 cities)	Brabourne Stadium	
ICC Women's T20 World Cup	2016 ICC Women's World Twenty20	West Indies	149/2 (19.3 overs) – 148/5 (20 overs)	Australia	Group Stage	8 (in 8 cities)	Eden Gardens	New More and Market

Performance in international competitions

A red box around the year indicates tournaments played within <u>India</u>

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Semi-finals
Runners-up
Champions

Men's team

ICC World Test Championship

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					Leag	ue s	tage						
Year	Pos		Ma	atche	s		Dod	Dod BC		Final Host Final		Final	Final Position
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<u>2019–2021^[81]</u>	1/9	17	12	4	1	0	0	720	520	72.2	Rose Bowl, England	Lost to New Zealand by 8 wickets	Runners-up
2021–2023 ^[82]	2/9	18	10	5	3	0	5	216	127	58.80	The Oval, England	Lost to Market Australia by 209 runs	Runners-up
2021–2023	3/9	19	9	8	2	0	2	228	114	50.00	-	-	-
Total (including finals)	0 Title	56	31	19	6	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

ICC Cricket World Cup

		World	d Cup reco	rd								
Host and Year	Round	Position	Р	w	L	Т	NR	Squad				
<u>+</u> 1975 ^[83]	Group Stage	6/8	3	1	2	0	0	Squad				
— 1979 ^[84]	Group Stage	7/8	3	0	3	0	0	Squad				
1983 <u>1983</u> <u>1983</u>	Champions	1/8	8	6	2	0	0	Squad				
1987 ^[86]	Semi-finals	3/8	7	5	2	0	0	Squad				
1992 ^[87]	Group Stage	7/9	8	2	5	0	1	Squad				
1996 ^[88]	Semi-finals	3/12	7	4	3	0	0	Squad				
1999[89]	Super Six	6/12	8	4	4	0	0	Squad				
2003 ^[90]	Runners-up	2/14	11	9	2	0	0	Squad				
<u>2007</u> [91]	Group Stage	9/16	3	1	2	0	0	Squad				
2011 ^[92]	Champions	1/14	9	7	1	1	0	Squad				
2015 ^[93]	Semi-finals	3/14	8	7	1	0	0	Squad				
—— 2019 [94]	Semi-finals	3/10	10	7	2	0	1	Squad				
2023 [95]	Runners-up	2/10	11	10	1	0	0	Squad				
2027 ^[96]	Qualification to be decided											
<u>2031^[97]</u>	Qualified as co-hosts											
Total	2 Titles	-	96	63	30	1	2	-				

ICC T20 World Cup

		T20 Wo	rld Cup red	ord							
Host and Year	Round	Position	Р	w	L	т	NR	Squad			
2007 ^[98]	Champions	1/12	7	4	1	1	1	Squad			
<u>+</u> 2009 ^[99]	Super 8s	7/12	5	2	3	0	0	Squad			
2010 ^[100]	Super 8s	8/12	5	2	3	0	0	Squad			
2012 ^[101]	Super 8s	5/12	5	4	1	0	0	Squad			
2014 ^[102]	Runners-up	2/16	6	5	1	0	0	Squad			
2016 ^[103]	Semi-finals	4/16	5	3	2	0	0	Squad			
2021[104]	Super 12s	6/16	5	3	2	0	0	Squad			
2022 ^[105]	Semi-finals	3/16	6	4	2	0	0	Squad			
2024 ^[106]	Champions	1/20	9	8	0	0	1	Squad			
2026 ^[107]			Qualifie	d as co-hos	its						
2028 ^[108]				TBD							
2030[109]	TBD										
Total	2 Titles	-	53	35	15	1	2	-			

ICC Champions Trophy

		Champio	ns Trophy r	ecord				
Host and Year	Round	Position	Р	w	L	Т	NR	Squad
1998 ^[110]	Semi-finals	3/9	2	1	1	0	0	Squad
2000[111]	Runners-up	2/11	4	3	1	0	0	Squad
2002[112]	Champions	1/12	5	3	0	0	2	Squad
<u>+</u> 2004 ^[113]	Group stage	7/12	2	1	1	0	0	Squad
2006 ^[114]	Group stage	5/10	3	1	2	0	0	Squad
2009[115]	Group stage	5/8	3	1	1	0	1	Squad
—— 2013 ^[116]	Champions	1/8	5	5	0	0	0	Squad
+ 2017 ^[117]	Runners-up	2/8	5	3	2	0	0	Squad
© 2025 ^[118]	Champions	1/8	5	5	0	0	0	Squad
2029 ^[119]			Qualif	ied as hosts	3			
Total	3 Titles	-	34	23	8	0	3	-

Asia Cup

		Asia Cup recor	d				
Host and Year	Round	Position	Р	w	L	Т	NR
1984 ^[120]	Champions	1/3	2	2	0	0	0
1986 ^[121]		Boycot	ted the tou	rnament ^{[122}	2]		
1988 ^[123]	Champions	1/4	4	3	1	0	0
1990-91 ^[124]	Champions	1/3	3	2	1	0	0
1995 ^[125]	Champions	1/4	4	3	1	0	0
1997 ^[126]	Runners-up	2/4	4	1	2	0	1
2000[127]	First round	3/4	3	1	2	0	0
2004 ^[128]	Runners-up	2/6	6	3	3	0	0
2008 ^[129]	Runners-up	2/6	6	4	2	0	0
2010 ^[130]	Champions	1/4	4	3	1	0	0
2012[131]	First round	3/4	3	2	1	0	0
<u>2014^[132]</u>	First round	3/5	4	2	2	0	0
2016 ^[133]	Champions	1/5	5	5	0	0	0
2018[134]	Champions	1/6	6	5	0	1	0
2022[135]	Super Fours	3/6	5	3	2	0	0
C 2023 ^[136]	Champions	1/6	6	4	1	0	1
Total	8 Titles	-	65	43	19	1	2

Commonwealth Games

	Commor	wealth Gam	es record				
Year	Round	Position	Р	w	L	Т	NR
1998[137]	Group stage	9/16	3	1	1	0	1
Total	0 Title	-	3	1	1	0	1

Asian Games

	,	Asian Games red	cord				
Year	Round	Position	Р	w	L	Т	NR
2010		<u> </u>	oid Not Part	icipate			
2014		I.	Did Not Part	icipate			
2022 ^[138]	Gold Medal	1/14	3	2	0	0	1
Total	1 Title	-	3	2	0	0	1

Defunct tournaments

		Othe	r/Defunct <u>Tournamen</u>	its		
Australian Tri- Series	Asian Test Championship	Austral-Asia Cup	NatWest Series	World Championship of Cricket	Nehru Cup	Hero Cup
 1980–81: 3rd place 1985–86: Runners-up 1991–92: Runners-up 1999–2000: 3rd place 2003–04: Runners-up 2007–08: Champions 2011–12: 3rd place 2014–15: 3rd 	• C 1999: Group stage	1986: Runners-up 1990: Group stage 1994: Runners-up	■	• 1985: Champions	■ 1989: Semi-finalist	■ 1993: Champions

Women's team

ICC Women's Cricket World Cup

		World Cup	record							
Year	Round	Position	Played	Won	Lost	Tie	NR			
<u>+</u> 1973		Did not participate								
1978	Group Stage	4/4	3	0	3	0	0			
1982	Group Stage	4/5	12	4	8	0	0			
1988		Did	not particij	oate						
1 993	Group Stage	4/8	7	4	3	0	0			
1997	Semi-finals	4/11	6	3	1	1	1			
2000	Semi-finals	3/8	8	5	3	0	0			
2005	Runners-up	2/8	9	5	2	0	2			
2009	Super 6s	3/6	7	5	2	0	0			
2013	Group Stage	7/8	4	2	2	0	0			
<u>+</u> 2017	Runners-up	2/8	9	6	3	0	0			
2022	Group Stage	5/8	7	3	4	0	0			
2025										
Total	0 Title	-	72	37	31	1	3			

ICC Women's T20 World Cup

	T20	World Cu	p record				
Year	Round	Position	Played	Won	Lost	Tie	NR
1 2009	Semi-finalists	4/8	4	2	2	0	0
2010	Semi-finalists	4/8	4	2	2	0	0
2012	Group Stage ^[139]	8/8	4	1	3	0	0
2014	Group Stage	6/10	5	3	2	0	0
2016	Group Stage	7/10	4	1	3	0	0
2018	Semi-finalists	4/10	5	4	1	0	0
2020	Runners-up	2/10	6	4	1	0	1
2023	Semi-finalists	4/10	5	3	2	0	0
2024	Group Stage	6/10	4	2	2	0	0
<u>+</u> 2026							
Total	0 Title	-	41	22	18	0	1

ICC Women's Championship

	Women's Championship record										
Year	Round	Position	GP	w	L	D	Т	NR			
2014-16	Group Stage ^[140]	5/8	21	9	11	0	0	1			
2017-20	Group Stage ^[141]	4/8	21	10	8	0	0	3			
2022-25	Group Stage ^[142]	2/10	24	18	5	1	0	0			
Total	0 Title	-	66	37	24	1	0	4			

ACC Women's Asia Cup

		Asia Cup r	ecord				
Year	Round	Position	Played	Won	Lost	Tie	NR
2004	Champions	1/2	5	5	0	0	0
<u>c</u> 2005–06	Champions	1/3	5	5	0	0	0
2006	Champions	1/3	5	5	0	0	0
2008	Champions	1/4	7	7	0	0	0
2012	Champions	1/8	5	4	0	0	1
2016	Champions	1/6	6	6	0	0	0
2018	Runners-up	2/6	6	4	2	0	0
2022	Champions	1/7	8	7	1	0	0
2024	Runners-up	2/8	5	4	1	0	0
Total	7 Titles	-	52	47	4	0	1

Commonwealth Games

Commonwealth Games record									
Year	Round	Position	GP	w	L	Т	NR		
<u>+</u> 2022	Silver medal	2/8	5	3	2	0	0		
Total	0 Title	-	5	3	2	0	0		

Asian Games

	Asian Games record									
Year	Round	Position	GP	w	L	Т	NR			
2010		Did not participate								
2014			Did not parti	icipate						
2022	Gold medal	Gold medal 1/9 3 2 0 0 1								
Total	1 Title	-	3	2	0	0	1			

Men's U-19 team

U-19 World Cup

	India U19 Cricket World Cup record										
Year	Result	Pos	Nº	Pld	W	L	I	NR			
1988	Group Stage	6th	8	7	3	4	0	0			
1998	Second Round	5th	16	6	4	2	0	0			
2000	Champions	1st	16	8	7	0	1	0			
2002	Semi-finals	3rd	16	7	4	3	0	0			
2004	Semi-finals	3rd	16	7	5	2	0	0			
2006	Runners-up	2nd	16	6	5	1	0	0			
2008	Champions	1st	16	6	6	0	0	0			
2010	Quartar-finals	6th	16	6	3	3	0	0			
2012	Champions	1st	16	6	5	1	0	0			
2014	Quarter-finals	5th	16	6	5	1	0	0			
2016	Runners-up	2nd	16	6	5	1	0	0			
2018	Champions	1st	16	6	6	0	0	0			
2020	Runners-up	2nd	16	6	5	1	0	0			
2022	Champions	1st	16	6	6	0	0	0			
2024	Runners-up	2nd	16	7	6	1	0	0			
Total	5 Titles			96	75	20	0	1			

U-19 Asia Cup

	India U19 Asia Cup record										
Year	Result	Pos	Nº	Pld	W	<u>L</u>	Ī	NR			
1989	Champions	1st	3	3	3	0	0	0			
<u>c</u> 2003	Champions	1st	4	4	3	1	0	0			
2012	Champions	1st	8	5	3	1	1	0			
2014	Champions	1st	8	5	4	1	0	0			
2016	Champions	1st	8	5	5	0	0	0			
2017	Group Stage	5th	8	3	1	2	0	0			
2018	Champions	1st	8	5	5	0	0	0			
2019	Champions	1st	8	5	4	0	0	1			
2021	Champions	1st	8	5	4	1	0	0			
2023	Semi-Finals	4th	8	4	2	2	0	0			
2024	Runners-up	2nd	8	5	3	2	0	0			
Total	8 Titles			49	37	10	1	1			

Women's U-19 team

Under-19 Women's World Cup

India U19 T20 World Cup record										
Year Result <u>Pos</u> <u>N</u> <u>e</u> <u>Pld</u> <u>W</u> <u>L</u> <u>T</u> <u>NR</u>										
2023	Champions	1st	16	7	6	1	0	0		
2025	Champions	1st	16	7	7	0	0	0		
Total	Total 2 Titles 14 13 1 0 0									

Under-19 Women's Asia Cup

India U19 T20 Asia Cup record									
Year Result <u>Pos</u> <u>№ Pld W L T NR</u>								NR	
2024	Champions	1st	6	5	4	0	0	1	
Total	1 Title		6	5	4	0	0	1	

Men's A team

ACC Emerging Teams Asia Cup

	ACC Emerging Teams Asia Cup record										
Year	Round	Position	Р	w	L	Т	NR				
2013	Champions	1/8	5	4	1	0	0				
2017 ^[143]	Group Stage	5/8	3	2	1	0	0				
© 2018 ^[144]	Runners-up	2/8	5	4	1	0	0				
2019 ^[145]	Semi-finals	4/8	4	2	2	0	0				
2023 ^[146]	Runners-up	2/8	5	4	1	0	0				
<u>2024^[147]</u>	Semi-finals	3/8	4	3	1	0	0				
Total	1 Title	_	26	19	7	0	0				

Women's A team

ACC Women's T20 Emerging Teams Asia Cup

ACC Women's T20 Emerging Teams Asia Cup record									
Year Round Position P W L T NR									
\$ 2023 ^[148]	Champion	1/8	5	2	0	0	3		
Total	1 Title	-	5	2	0	0	3		

Cricket broadcast in India

Domestic competitions

Domestic franchise cricket

List of *current* broadcasters:

Event	Period	Television	Rights	Streaming Rights		
Event	Periou	Conglomerate	Network	Conglomerate	Platform	
Indian Premier League	2023–2027 ^[149]	JioStar	Star Sports	JioStar	JioCinema	
Women's Premier League	2023–2027 ^[150]	JioStar	Sports18	JIUSIAI	JioCiriema	

Domestic State/Zonal cricket

List of *current* broadcasters:

	Frant	Period	Television I	Rights	Streaming Rights	
	Event	Period	Conglomerate	Network	Conglomerate	Platform
	Ranji Trophy			Sports18	<u>JioStar</u>	
First Class Cricket	Irani Cup	2023–2028 ^[151]				
	Duleep Trophy		JioStar			JioCinema
List A Cricket	Vijay Hazare Trophy		Jiostai			Jiocinema
LIST A CHICKET	Deodhar Trophy					
T20 Cricket	Syed Mushtaq Ali Trophy					

Domestic State franchise cricket

List of *current* broadcasters:

Event	Period	Television	Rights	Streaming Ri	ghts
Event	Period	Conglomerate	Network	Conglomerate	Platform
Bihar Cricket League	2021 ^[152]	WBD India	Eurosport India	WBD India	Discovery+
T20 Mumbai	2019 ^[153]	JioStar	Star Sports	JioStar	Disney+ Hotstar
Andhra Premier League	2024 ^[154]				
Kerala Cricket League	2024 ^[155]				
Pondicherry Premier League	2024 ^[156]	li-Ct-r	Ctor Coords	Dun11	FanCada
Sher-E-Punjab T20 Cup	2024 ^[157]	<u>JioStar</u>	Star Sports	Dream11	<u>FanCode</u>
Tamil Nadu Premier League	2024 ^[158]				
Maharaja Trophy KSCA T20	2024 ^[159]				
Rajasthan Premier League	2023 ^[160]	WBD India	Eurosport India		
Bengal Pro T20 League	2024 ^[161]				
Delhi Premier League	2024 ^[162]				
Madhya Pradesh League	2024 ^[163]	JioStar	Sports18	JioStar	<u>JioCinema</u>
Maharashtra Premier League	2024 ^[164]				
UP T20 League	2024 ^[165]				
Saurashtra Premier League	2023 ^[166]	None)		
Chhattisgarh Cricket Premier League	2024 ^[167]	Culver Max Entertainment	Sony Sports Network	Culver Max Entertainment	SonyLIV
Uttarakhand Premier League	2024 ^[168]	Cuiver Max Entertainment	Sorry Sports NetWork		
Odisha Cricket League	2023 ^[169]	None		Dream11	<u>FanCode</u>
Baroda T20 Challenge	2022 ^[170]	None	;		

International competitions

International Cricket (Home)

List of *current* broadcasters:

Event	Period	Tel	evision Rights	Streaming Rights	
Event	Periou	Conglomerate	Network	Conglomerate	Platform
International Cricket In India	2023–2028 ^[171]	<u>JioStar</u>	Sports18 DD Sports (FTA)	<u>JioStar</u>	JioCinema

International Cricket (Away)

List of *current* broadcasters:

Front	Period		Television Rights	Streaming Rights	
Event		Conglomerate	Network	Conglomerate	Platform
International Cricket Council	2024– 2027 ^{[172][173][174]}		Star Sports DD Sports (FTA) (All TEST, ODI and T201 matches of India including Semi-Finals and Final)		Disney+ Hotstar
International Cricket in South Africa	2024–2031 ^[175]	JioStar	Sports18 DD Sports (FTA)	<u>JioStar</u>	<u>JioCinema</u>
International Cricket in Australia	2023-2030 ^[176]		Star Sports DD Sports (FTA) (Only Test, ODIs and T20Is against India)		Disney+ Hotstar
Asian Cricket Council	2024-2031 ^[177]		Sony Sports Network DD Sports (FTA) (Only Test , ODIs and T20Is against India)	Culver Max Entertainment	SonyLIV
International Cricket in England	2022–2028 ^[178]	-			
International Cricket in Sri Lanka	2023–2027 ^[179]	Culver Max			
International Cricket in New Zealand	2024-2031 ^[180]	<u>Entertainment</u>			
	2024-2026 ^[180]			Amazon	Amazon Prime Video
International Cricket in Zimbabwe	2024 ^[181]				
International Cricket in West Indies	2021-2024 ^[182]		DD Sports (FTA) (Only Test, ODIs and T20Is against India)		
International Cricket in Bangladesh		Dream11		Dream11	<u>FanCode</u>
International Cricket in Pakistan	2024 ^[183]				
International Cricket in Afghanistan	2024-2027 ^[184]	WBD India	Eurosport India		

International franchise cricket

List of *current* broadcasters:

Front	Period	Television Rights		Streaming Rights		
Event	Period	Conglomerate	Network	Conglomerate	Platform	
Big Bash League	2023– 2030 ^[176]			JioStar Dream11	Disney+ Hotstar FanCode	
Women's Big Bash League	2023– 2030 ^[176]					
Lanka Premier League	2024 ^{[185][186]}					
Global T20 Canada	2024 ^[187]					
Caribbean Premier League	2024 ^[188]					
Women's Caribbean Premier League	2024 ^[189]	<u>JioStar</u>	Star Sports	Dream11	FanCode	
Zim Afro T10				<u> </u>	<u>runeouc</u>	
Abu Dhabi T10 League	2024 ^[190]					
US Masters T10	2024[200]					
Lanka T10						
Hong Kong Sixes	2024					
Nepal Premier League	2024 ^[191]					
SA20	2023– 2033 ^[192]	JioStar	Sports18	JioStar	JioCinema	
Major League Cricket	2024 ^[193]					
The Hundred	0004	Culver Max Entertainment	Sony Sports Network		Sony LIV and FanCode	
The Women's Hundred	2021–present		<u> </u>	and <u>Dream11</u>		
Afghanistan Premier League	2024- 2027 ^[184]	WBD India	Eurosport India	WBD India	Discovery+	
Pakistan Super League	2024 ^[194]	Dream11	None	Dream11	Fancode	
International League T20	2023– 2032 ^[195]	Zee Entertainment Enterprises	Zee Network	Zee Entertainment Enterprises	ZEE5	

Miscellaneous competitions

List of *current* broadcasters:

Event	Period	Television Rights		Streaming Rights	
Event	Period	Conglomerate	Network	Conglomerate	Platform
Road Safety World Series		JioStar	Sports18	JioStar	JioCinema
Asian Legends League	2024-2026 ^[196]				
Legends League Cricket		JioStar	Star Sports		
World Championship of Legends	2024			Dream11	FanCode
Indian Veterans Premier League	2024 ^[197]	WBD India	Eurosport India		

In popular culture

Cricket is portrayed in Indian popular culture as an extremely important part of India's national identity. It is frequently associated with a strong sense of patriotism and nationalism.

Films

Cricket has been portrayed many times in various Indian films. One such popular film is M.S. Dhoni: The Untold Story, a film produced by Arun Pandey and Fox Star Studios and directed by Neeraj Pandey. It stars late actor Sushant Singh Rajput as India national team captain Mahendra Singh Dhoni, known as one India's greatest Captain, Finisher ever in cricketing history. The film is of the biographical sports drama and covers some parts of life of the great Mahendra Singh Dhoni such as childhood, family relationships, struggles, marriage, captaincy of India national cricket team and making India win the most icon 2011 Cricket World Cup by hitting a six. M.S. Dhoni: The Untold Story was received very well by audiences and critics alike, scoring 80% on Rotten Tomatoes [198] and 8 on IMDb. [199]

<u>83</u> is also a film produced by Reliance Entertainment and directed by <u>Kabir Khan</u>. It stars actor <u>Ranveer Singh</u> as India national team captain <u>Kapil Dev</u>, known as one of India's greatest bowlers in cricketing history. The film is of the historical genre of Indian films and covers the Indian national team's underdog victory in the <u>1983 Cricket World Cup</u>. <u>83</u> was received well by audiences and critics alike, scoring 80% on Rotten Tomatoes <u>[200]</u> and

7.5 on IMDb. [201] Many reviews appreciated the film's emphasis on national pride and dramatic storytelling of India's famous victory in 1983, although some criticized the film for unnecessarily over-dramatizing parts of the story. [201][202]

Celebrities

Indian national cricket players are viewed as some of the highest-profile celebrities in India, especially Sachin Tendulkar, who some attribute god-like status to. $\frac{[203]}{2}$ Towards the end of his sporting career, Tendulkar began to pursue a political career, being sworn in as an MP to Rajya Sabha, India's upper house of Parliament in $2012,\frac{[204]}{2}$ one year before retiring officially in 2013. While Tendulkar has not officially associated himself with any political party, various literature have claimed that he started to become a Hindu-centric role model after the turn of the 21st century during his cricketing career. $\frac{[203][205]}{2}$

Clubs on social media

The five most popular cricket clubs on social media in the world are all <u>Indian Premier League</u> clubs as of 2024: [206]

#	Cricket club	Location	Followers
1	Chennai Super Kings	Chennai	40.5 million
2	Mumbai Indians	Mumbai	36.3 million
3	Royal Challengers Bengaluru	Bengaluru	31.9 million
4	Kolkata Knight Riders	Kolkata	28.9 million
5	Sunrisers Hyderabad	Hyderabad	14.2 million

See also



- Sport in India
- Cricket in South Asia
- · List of cricket records
- List of India national cricket captains
- List of India Test cricketers
- List of India ODI cricketers
- List of India Twenty20 International cricketers
- List of National Sports Award recipients in cricket
- India national blind cricket team
- India national deaf cricket team

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