

## List of National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues 2021

### National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – October 2021

Summit/Conferences	Organized/Led by	Venue	Aim/Theme
<b>Aadhaar Hackathon 2021</b>	UIDAI	–	“Enrolment and Update” & “Identity and Authentication”
<b>“Future Tech 2021- a Journey of digital transformation to technology adoption and acceleration”</b>	Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)	–	“Driving technologies for building the future, we all can trust”.
<b>Fourth General Assembly</b>	International Solar Alliance (ISA)	virtually	–
<b>inTech Hackathon Series ‘1-Sprint’21’</b>	International Financial Services Centres Authority (IFSCA)	–	Focuses on FinTechs for the Banking sector.
<b>“Buddhist Circuit Train FAM Tour”</b>	Indian Railway Catering & Tourism Corporation (IRCTC)	–	“Dekho Apna Desh” initiative.
<b>4th Indo-US Health Dialogue</b>	Ministry of State for Health and Family Welfare	New Delhi	–
<b>National Cooperative Conference (Sehkarita Sammelan)</b>	The conference was organised jointly by the IFFCO, National Cooperative Federation of India, Amul, Sahakar Bharti, NAFED, KRIBHCO and all cooperatives together.	Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium in New Delhi.	–

## National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – September 2021

Summit/Conferences	Organized/Led by	Venue	Aim/Theme
<b>8th Meeting of Agricultural Experts of BIMSTEC Countries</b>	Dr. Trilochan Mohapatra, Secretary, Department of Agricultural Research & Education & Director General, ICAR	Virtual meeting	To enhance cooperation in agriculture and allied sectors amongst the BIMSTEC Member States.
<b>40th Meeting of the National Capital Region Planning Board (NCRPB)</b>	Union Minister of Housing & Urban Affairs and Petroleum and Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri	Virtual meeting	The portal is based on remote sensing and GIS technology. It is developed by NIC for the NCR planning board.
<b>6th Eastern Economic Forum (EEF)</b>	Vladivostok, Russia	Virtual meeting	To enhance cooperation in the areas like diamond, coking coal, steel, timber, etc.
<b>4th Round of 'Indo-Danish Joint Commission Meeting (JCM)'</b>	External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar	Virtual meeting	It focuses on growing back greener along with build back better strategy.
<b>16th Sustainability Summit 2021</b>	Confederation of Indian Industry (CII)	Virtual meeting	To address the various challenges faced by the agriculture sector.
<b>1st Meeting of Governing Body of 'Vatan Prem Yojana'</b>	Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani	Video Conference	To undertake public welfare projects worth Rs. 1,000 crores jointly with non-resident Gujaratis by December 2022.
<b>Inaugural Conclave of Shikshak Parv was Addressed by PM Modi</b>	—	Video Conference	<b>Theme:</b> 'Quality and Sustainable Schools: Learnings from Schools in India'
<b>13th BRICS Summit</b>	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	Virtual Meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'BRICS@15: Intra-BRICS Cooperation for Continuity, Consolidation, and Consensus.'
<b>US-India Strategic Clean Energy Partnership (SCEP) Meeting</b>	Minister of Petroleum & Natural Gas, Hardeep Singh Puri	Virtual Meeting	To cooperate in the energy sector by adding emerging fuels to the list of their cooperation.
<b>5th World Conference of Speakers of Parliament 2021</b>	Austrian Parliament, Inter Parliamentary Union, and the United Nations	Vienna, Austria	To promote peace and sustainable development at the global level.

<b>India and Australia held Inaugural 2+2 Dialogue</b>	Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh and Union External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar	Virtual Meeting	To strengthen defence and overall strategic partnership between both nations.
<b>18th ASEAN-India Economic Ministers Consultations</b>	Anupriya Patel, Minister of State for Commerce and Industry	Virtual Meeting	India also highlighted the reforms taken in the sectors like agriculture, insurance, logistics, etc.
<b>Shanghai Cooperation Organisation (SCO) Summit</b>	—	Video Conference	To cooperate with each other and tackle the challenges and bring peace and security to every member nation.
<b>India &amp; El Salvador held Third Foreign Office Consultations</b>	Riva Ganguly Das, Secretary (East), and El Salvador	Video Conference	To exchange best practices and solutions in the public diplomacy domain.
<b>G-33 Virtual Informal Ministerial Meeting</b>	Indonesian Minister of Trade, Muhammad Lutfi	Virtual meeting	Union Minister Piyush Goyal mentioned that G-33 must find solutions with positive outcomes for Public Stockholding for food security.
<b>1st India-United Kingdom Consular Dialogue</b>	Devesh Uttam, Joint Secretary in the Ministry of External Affairs	Virtual meeting	To coordinate with each other to share systematic information and cooperate in Visas and develop mutual legal assistance.
<b>QUAD Leaders Summit</b>	—	Virtual meeting	To frame a joint plan to provide Covid-19 vaccines around Asia.
<b>PM Modi addressed 76th Session of UNGA</b>	—	New York	<b>Theme:</b> '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'.
<b>National Cooperative Conference</b>	IFFCO, National Cooperative Federation of India, Amul, Sahakar Bharti, NAFED, KRIBHCO, and all cooperatives together	Indira Gandhi Indoor Stadium in New Delhi	It was the country's first such cooperative conference and was held with an aim to strengthen the Indian Cooperatives.

## National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – August 2021

Summit/Conferences	Organized/Led by	Venue	Aim/Theme
<b>6th BRICS Counter Terrorism Working Group Meet</b>	Chairship of Mahaveer Singhvi, Joint Secretary for Counter-Terrorism, Ministry of External Affairs of India	Virtual meeting	The objective of the meeting was to finalize BRICS Counter Terrorism Action Plan.
<b>2nd Edition of IEEE-ICORT 2021</b>	Integrated Test Range (ITR) Chandipur, a laboratory of Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO)	Virtual meeting	The event delivered a platform for the experts to interact with each other about recent development in defence systems.
<b>G20 Digital Ministers Meeting 2021</b>	Union Minister for Electronics and Information Technology, Ashwini Vaishnaw	Virtual meeting	To propagate the advancement in Digital Transformation of the economy in terms of resilience, sustainability and inclusive recovery.
<b>28th ASEAN Regional Forum (ARF) Foreign Ministers Meeting</b>	Minister of State for External Affairs Dr Rajkumar Ranjan Singh	Virtual meeting	Indian side represented the view on the Indo-Pacific perspective, terrorism threat, cybersecurity and maritime security.
<b>8th Meeting of Ministers of Justice of the SCO</b>	Union Law Minister Kiren Rijiju and Minister of State for Law & Justice, Prof SP Singh Baghel	Virtual meeting	GOI follows the approach of Zero Tolerance to Corruption and Black Money and has adopted a framework supported by a strong institutional mechanism to deal with corruption.
<b>PM Modi chaired UNSC Debate</b>	—	Video Conference	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Enhancing Maritime Security – A Case for International Cooperation’.
<b>IBSA Tourism Ministers Meeting</b>	Union Minister of Tourism, G. Kishan Reddy	Virtual Meeting	To enhance cooperation in the tourism sector among IBSA nations.

<b>6th SCO Agriculture Ministers Meeting</b>	Union Minister of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Narendra Singh Tomar	Virtual Meeting	The innovative technologies have been implemented into the lands to empower rural youth, farmers and farm women.
<b>11th Annual Meeting of FEMBoSA</b>	Election Commission of Bhutan	Virtual Meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'Use of Technology in Elections'.
<b>5th BRICS Industry Ministers Meeting</b>	Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal	Virtual Meeting	To use technology for good governance in order to have transparency and accountability.
<b>11th BRICS NSA Meeting</b>	India's National Security Advisor, Ajit Doval	Virtual Meeting	To strengthen political-security cooperation among BRICS nations.
<b>1st G20 Ministerial Conference on Women's Empowerment</b>	Union Minister for Women and Child Development, Smriti Irani	Virtual Meeting	To maintain gender equality, empower women, and strengthening women's safety and security.
<b>11th Meeting of BRICS Agriculture Ministers Meet</b>	Union Minister for Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Narendra Singh Tomar	Virtual Meeting	To discuss topics like increasing agricultural production, enhancing farmers' income, and food price volatility.
<b>India-ASEAN Engineering Partnership Summit 2021</b>	Engineering Exports Promotion Council (EEPC) with support from the Ministry of External Affairs and the Department of Commerce	Virtual Meeting	To discuss the involvement of Indian industries in engineering trade and investments areas at the ASEAN level.

## National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – July 2021

Summit/Conferences	Organized/Led by	Venue	Aim/Theme
<b>7th Indian Ocean Naval Symposium (IONS)</b>	Admiral Karambir Singh, Chief of the Naval Staff	Virtual meeting	To have an open discussion related to maritime security cooperation, regional maritime issues and also promotes friendly relationships among the member states.
<b>6th BRICS Culture Ministers Meeting 2021</b>	Minister of State (IC) for Culture and Tourism, Prahlad Singh Patel	Virtual meeting	<b>Theme:</b> Bonding and Harmonizing Cultural Synergy.
<b>17th World Congress for Cervical Pathology and Colposcopy</b>	Indian Society of Colposcopy and Cervical Pathology	Virtual meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'Eliminating Cervical Cancer: Call for Action'
<b>CoWin Global Conclave</b>	Ministry of health and family welfare, the Ministry of external affairs and the National Health Mission	Virtual meeting	To offer CoWIN as a digital public good to the entire world to fight the coronavirus.
<b>2nd India-Ghana Foreign Office Consultations (FOC) 2021</b>	Rahul Chhabra, Secretary of Economic Relations	Capital of Ghana, named Acra	To cooperate in COVID-19 related issues. India also assured to help Ghana to grant Covid Vaccines.
<b>India &amp; EU participated in a Meeting</b>	Union Minister for Agriculture & Farmers Welfare, Narendra Singh Tomar and Member of European Commission- Agriculture, Janusz Wojciechowski	Virtual Meeting	The dignitaries discussed the EU Common Agriculture Policy (CAP), the UN Food System Summit, market reforms in India and the strategy of EU Farm to Fork.
<b>16th Annual Conference on Road Development in India</b>	Union Minister of Road Transport and Highways, Nitin Gadkari	Video Conference	To discuss rising trends in roadways, with the major focus on import substitution, cost-effectiveness, pollution-free alternative fuel.

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<b>21st India-Italy Joint Commission for Economic Cooperation Session</b>	Union Minister Commerce & Industry, Piyush Goyal	Virtual Meeting	To work jointly to promote SMEs as it is a major entity for economic growth and employment generation.
<b>7th BRICS Labour &amp; Employment Ministers' Meeting</b>	Union Minister for Labour Employment Bhupender Yadav	Virtual Meeting	To cooperate jointly to recover the economy from pandemics and have inclusive labour markets and social protection systems.
<b>CII's 2nd 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat Renewable Energy Manufacturing'</b>	Ministry of New and Renewable Energy and the Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT)	Virtual Meeting	To attain 450 GW of Renewable Energy capacity by 2030.
<b>World Universities Summit 2021</b>	O.P. Jindal Global University	Virtual Meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'Universities of the Future: Building Institutional Resilience, Social Responsibility and Community Impact'.
<b>11th Mekong-Ganga Cooperation (MGC) Meeting</b>	Union External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar	Virtual Meeting	They appreciated the progress made by the MGC Plan of Action 2019-22 until now.
<b>G20 Energy and Climate Joint Ministerial Meeting</b>	Union Minister of Power and New and Renewable Energy	Virtual Meeting	The progress made by India to meet its Nationally Determined Contributions (NDC) goals by fulfilling the commitment made under Paris Agreement.
<b>UN Food Systems Pre-Summit 2021</b>	UN and Italy in Rome, Italy	Virtual Meeting	The journey of Indian agriculture in the areas like food shortages food grain exporters through various revolutions like Green, White and Blue.



## National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – June 2021

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<b>5th BRICS Working Group Meet on HPC and ICT</b>	Sanjeev Kumar Varshney, Advisor DST	Video Conferencing	To cooperate with each other to use HPC technologies for weather-climate-environment based applications.
<b>74th WHA Meeting of WHO</b>	Mrs Dechen Wangmo, Health Minister of Bhutan	Geneva, Switzerland	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Ending this pandemic, preventing the next: building together a healthier, safer and fairer world.’
<b>1st India-Australia JWG Meeting on Cyber Security Cooperation</b>	Paulomi Tripathi, Director (Oceania) in the Ministry of External Affairs	Virtual meeting	To enhance cooperation in the multilateral fora and assured each other to share data related to cybersecurity, legislation and national cyber strategies.
<b>NATO Summit 2021</b>	—	Brussels, Belgium	The agenda will strengthen political consultation, the resilience of society, reinforce defence and deterrence.
<b>5th Global Tech Event VivaTech</b>	Publicis Groupe	Video Conferencing	He invited the world to invest in India by mentioning strong features of India like Talent, Market Culture of Openness, Eco-system and Capital.
<b>Conference of BRICS Network Universities</b>	—	Virtual Meeting	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Electric Mobility’.
<b>42nd FAO Conference</b>	Union Minister for Agriculture and Farmer’s Welfare, Narendra Singh Tomar	Virtual Meeting	To support Sustainable Development through the agri-food systems for Better Production, Better Nutrition, a Better Environment, and a Better Life, with an aim that no one should be left behind.
<b>G20 Education Ministers Meeting</b>	Minister of State for Education, Sanjay Dhotre	Virtual Meeting	To ensure continuity of quality education during the pandemic state of COVID-19.
<b>BRICS Green Hydrogen Summit 2021</b>	NTPC Ltd	Virtual Meeting	To discuss and address issues faced in the Green Hydrogen sector in areas

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			like technology, finance and efficiency.
<b>Global Investors Roundtable</b>	US-India Strategic Partnership Forum (USISPF)	Virtual Meeting	The dignitaries discussed potential investment opportunities and the role of ongoing policy reforms which will allow Ease-of-Doing-Business in India.
<b>Ministerial Level Thematic Forum for UN High Level Dialogue on Energy</b>	—	Virtual Meeting	To promote implementation of the energy-related goals and targets of the 2030 agenda to attain sustainable development.

### National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – May 2021

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<b>G7 Digital and Technology Ministerial Meeting</b>	Union Minister of Electronics and Information Technology, Ravi Shankar Prasad	Video Conferencing	<b>Theme:</b> Building Back Better
<b>5th Codex Committee on Spices and Culinary Herbs (CCSCH) Session</b>	Rita Teatota, Chairperson of FSSAI	Virtual meeting	The quality standards for these 4 spices were forwarded to the Codex Alimentarius Commission (CAC) for adoption and to give them recognition as full-fledged Codex standards.
<b>1st Ind-Fra-Aus Trilateral Foreign Ministerial Dialogue</b>	Union External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar	Virtual meeting	To boost cooperation in Indo-Pacific strategic landscape, to have open and rule-based Indo-Pacific ties.
<b>India-EU Leaders Meeting</b>	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	Virtual meeting	To resume negotiations for a balanced and comprehensive free trade deal and investment agreement.

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<b>4th India -Swiss Financial Dialogue</b>	Ajay Seth, Secretary Economic Affairs	Virtual meeting	They also discussed the topics related to G20, IMF, and tax challenges and assured to grant support to digitize the economies.
<b>BRICS Employment Working Group (EWG) Meet</b>	Apurva Chandra, Secretary, Labour and Employment	Virtual Meeting	To resolve the issues related to Social Security Agreement (SSA) by conducting dialogue and entering into agreements.
<b>Summit on Financing of African Economies 2021</b>	Minister of the State for External Affairs, V Muraleedharan	Virtual Meeting	To plan financial resources to retrieve the African Economy which is severely affected due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

### National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – April 2021

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<b>6th Annual Meet of Board of Governors of NDB</b>	Union Finance Minister Nirmala Sitharaman	Video Conferencing	<b>Theme:</b> New Development Paradigms: The Evolution of Infrastructure.
<b>World Immunisation and Logistics Summit 2021</b>	Union Health and Family Welfare Minister, Dr Harsh Vardhan	Virtual meeting	To boost partnership among all nations to tackle pandemic and have a healthy future for all.
<b>17th BIMSTEC Ministerial Meeting</b>	Union External Affairs Minister, S. Jaishankar	Virtual meeting	For Transport Connectivity will prove beneficial in fulfilling the aspirations of the people by granting them better connectivity and integration.
<b>Consultation Meet of Education Ministers of E9 Countries</b>	Minister of State for Education, Sanjay Dhotre	Virtual meeting	To boost Sustainable Development Goal 4 agenda through: (a) support to teachers (b) investment in skills (c) narrowing of the digital divide.

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<b>2021 BRICS FMs and Governors Meeting</b>	Union Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs, Nirmala Sitharaman and Governor of RBI, Shaktikanta Das	Virtual meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'BRICS@15: Intra BRICS Cooperation for Continuity, Consolidation and Consensus'.
<b>India-Netherland Virtual Summit 2021</b>	Prime Minister Narendra Modi and Prime Minister of Netherland Mark Rutte	Virtual Meeting	To discuss trade, economy, water management, agriculture sector, science and technology, healthcare and space.
<b>30th BASIC Ministerial Meeting on Climate Change</b>	Union Minister for Environment, Forest and Climate Change, Prakash Javadekar	Virtual Meeting	To cooperate in the Chilean Presidency of COP 25 and the incoming United Kingdom Presidency of COP 26 for a successful outcome in Glasgow.
<b>Scientific Convention on 'Homoeopathy – Roadmap for Integrative Medicine'</b>	Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy	New Delhi	It was organised by Central Council for Research in Homoeopathy, which is an autonomous apex research organization under the Ministry of AYUSH.
<b>6th Raisina Dialogue</b>	Ministry of External Affairs and the Observer Research Foundation	Virtual Meeting	The Raisina Dialogue is India's flagship conference programme on geopolitics and geoeconomics.
<b>IAF Commanders Conference</b>	Union Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh	Virtual Meeting	To address issues related to IAF's operational capabilities in the near future.
<b>5th Global Forum on TB Vaccines</b>	Stop TB Partnership Working Group on New Vaccines in association with International AIDS Vaccine Initiative (IAVI) and Tuberculosis Vaccine Initiative (TBVI)	Virtual Meeting	To enhance the process of Tuberculosis (TB) Vaccination in the pandemic situation of COVID-19.

<b>Boao Forum for Asia Annual Conference 2021</b>	—	Boao, south China's Hainan Province	<b>Theme:</b> A World in Change: Join Hands to Strengthen Global Governance and Advance Belt and Road Cooperation'.
<b>Leaders' Summit on Climate 2021</b>	President of the USA	Virtual Meeting	To strengthen the cooperation among the nations to tackle the climate change issues.
<b>23rd ASEAN-India Senior Officials' Meeting</b>	Secretary (East) in the Ministry of External Affairs Riva Ganguly Das	Virtual Meeting	To discuss ASEAN-India cooperation and to review the whole spectrum of political-security, economic, socio-cultural and developmental cooperation.

### National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – March 2021

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<b>16th FICCI Higher Education Summit</b>	Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI) in partnership with the Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Commerce and Industry	New Delhi	<b>Theme:</b> 'Higher Education @ 2030: R.I.S.E- Resilience. Innovation. Sustainability. Enterprise'.
<b>FM attended G20 Central Bank Governors Meeting</b>	Union Finance and Corporate Affairs Minister Nirmala Sitharaman	Italy	To support credit guarantees, direct transfers, food guarantees, economic stimulus packages and accelerating structural reform.
<b>2nd Global Bio-India-2021</b>	Department of Biotechnology	Virtual meeting	To showcase the importance of the biotechnology sector of India at the National and International Level.

<b>India-Sweden Virtual Summit</b>	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	Virtual meeting	To discuss bilateral relations in various sectors of both nations.
<b>39th CERAWEEK Conference 2021</b>	IHS Markit	Video Conferencing	To discussed climate change which can be tackled through measures like policies, laws, rules and behavioural changes at the individual and global level.
<b>76th Annual Conference of Association of Physicians of India (API)</b>	Union Minister of State (IC) Development of North Eastern Region (DoNER), MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh	Virtual Meeting	To appreciate the work performed by young physicians, particularly young Resident Doctors, who are lauded as 'Corona Warriors' during the pandemic period.
<b>Virtual New Delhi World Book Fair 2021</b>	National Book Trust (NBT)	Video Conferencing	<b>Theme:</b> National Education Policy (NEP) 2020.
<b>Combined Commanders Conference 2021</b>	Union Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh	Kevadia, Gujarat	Focused on the catheterisation of armed forces, making the defence sector self-reliant and combating evolving threats in the country.
<b>Quad Summit 2021</b>	PM Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of Japan Yoshihide Suga, President of the United States Joe Biden	Virtual Meeting	To held discussions about the Indo-Pacific region, combating COVID19 Pandemic, maritime security, emerging technologies and climate change.
<b>BRICS CGETI Meeting</b>	—	Virtual Meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'BRICS@15: Intra BRICS Cooperation for Continuity, Consolidation, and Consensus'.
<b>4th Global Ayurveda Festival</b>	Prime Minister, Narendra Modi	Video Conferencing	Highlighted that during the pandemic, demand for ayurvedic products

			increased to a greater extent.
<b>India-Finland Virtual Summit</b>	PM Narendra Modi and PM of the Republic of Finland Ms Sanna Marin	Virtual Meeting	To enhance cooperation in areas like trade and investment, innovation, education, Artificial Intelligence, 5G/6G, and quantum computing.
<b>IBSA Women's Forum Meeting</b>	Ministry of Women and Child Development , GOI	Virtual Meeting	To discussed the issues faced by women and adopt ways to transform their lives.
<b>11th India Chem 2021</b>	Department of Chemicals and Petrochemicals, GOI and Federation of Indian Chambers of Commerce and Industry (FICCI)	Virtual Meeting	To explore and enhance investment in the Chemicals and Petrochemical sectors of India.
<b>World Summit on the Information Society Forum 2021</b>	International Telecommunications Union (ITU), UNESCO, UNDP and UNCTAD	Virtual meeting	Union Minister Sanjay Dhotre highlighted the role of Information and Communication Technologies (ICTs) in various sectors of growth.
<b>116th Meet of Permanent Indus Commission (PIC)</b>	Pradeep Kumar Saxena, India's Commissioner for IWT and officers from Central Water Commission, Central Electricity Authority and National Hydroelectric Power Corporation	New Delhi	The dignitaries held a discussion about two projects, namely, Pakal Dul (1000 MW) and Lower Kalnai (48 MW).
<b>7th Annual Summit of NATHEALTH</b>	Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Dr Harsh Vardhan	Virtual meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'Indian Health system expansion in post-COVID era'

## National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – February 2021

Summit/Conferences	Organized/Led by	Venue	Aim/Theme
<b>The Davos Agenda 2021</b>	PM Narendra Modi	Video Conferencing	<b>Theme:</b> ‘The Great Reset’
<b>ASEAN-India Hackathon 2021</b>	Ministry of Education	Virtual meeting	To achieve economic development through ASEAN nations partnerships in domains like education, science and technology, exchange of leadership works etc.
<b>4th Foreign Office Consultations</b>	India and Qatar	Virtual meeting	To conduct the first Joint Commission meeting between foreign ministries of both nations.
<b>Chief of Air Staff (CAS) Conclave</b>	Union Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh	Air Force Station Yelahanka in Bengaluru, Karnataka	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Leveraging Aerospace Power for Security and Stability’.
<b>First Joint Working Group Meeting</b>	India- Bahrain	Virtual meeting	To promote renewable energy in their respective nations and assured to jointly explore the opportunities in this sector.
<b>Indian Ocean Region Defence Minister’s Conclave</b>	Union Defence Minister, Rajnath Singh	Bengaluru	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Enhanced Peace, Security, and Cooperation in the Indian Ocean’.
<b>First India-European Union High-Level Dialogue</b>	Union Minister of Commerce and Industry, Piyush Goyal	Virtual Meeting	To strengthen the bilateral trade and investment through partnerships in various domains.
<b>World Sustainable Development Summit 2021</b>	The Energy and Resources Institute’s (TERI)	Virtual Meeting	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Redefining our common future: Safe and secure environment for all’.



<b>2nd International Conference on Gender Equality</b>	—	Kerala	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Gender in Sustainable Entrepreneurship and Social Business: The Mediating Role of Empowerment’.
<b>29th NASSCOM Technology and Leadership Forum</b>	NASSCOM with Maharashtra as state partner and Microsoft was the technology partner	Virtual Meeting	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Shaping the future towards a better normal’.
<b>11th World Petro Coal Congress &amp; World Future Fuel Summit 2021</b>	Energy and Environment Foundation	New Delhi	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Petroleum-Coal-Gas: Towards a Win-Win Strategy for Producer and Consumer’.
<b>India-Australia Circular Economy Hackathon (I-ACE)</b>	Atal Innovation Mission, NITI Aayog, India and Commonwealth Scientific and Industrial Research Organisation (CSIRO), Australia	Video Conferencing	<b>Theme:</b> (a) Innovation in packaging reducing packaging waste (b) Innovation in food supply chains avoiding waste (c) Creating opportunities for plastic waste reduction (d) Recycling critical energy metals and e-waste
<b>18th BioAsia 2021</b>	KT Rama Rao, Minister for Industries and Commerce & IT, Government of Telangana	Hyderabad	The forum also observed discussions on topics like ‘Virtually connected healthcare’, ‘COVID19-Hits/Misses and hidden pandemic’ and ‘Immunizing the world’.
<b>26th Hunar Haat</b>	Union Defence Minister Rajnath Singh	New Delhi	To provide job opportunities to artisans and craftsmen.
<b>Trilateral Dialogue</b>	Sandeep Chakravorty, Joint Secretary of Europe West	Virtual meeting	To enhance the cooperation in the Indo-Pacific region.
<b>Sherpas’ Meeting</b>	Sanjay Bhattacharya, Secretary of Consular Passport and Visa (CPV) and Overseas Indian Affairs (OIA)	Virtual meeting	To focus on Culture and boost people-to-people engagement.

## National & International Summits & Conferences, Venues – January 2021

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<b>National Metrology Conclave 2021</b>	Council of Scientific and Industrial Research- National Physical Laboratory (CSIR-NPL)	New Delhi	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Metrology for the Inclusive Growth of the Nation’.
<b>‘EDUCON 2020’</b>	Central University of Punjab, Bathinda (CUPB) in partnership with the Global Educational Research Association (GERA)	Virtual meeting	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Envisioning Education for Transforming Youth to Restore Global Peace’.
<b>India-France Strategic Dialogue 2021</b>	Ajit Doval, National Security Advisor	New Delhi	They also discussed the Indo-Pacific region and assured to strengthen their strategic partnership.
<b>7th Trade Policy Review of India</b>	Anup Wadhawan, Commerce Secretary	World Trade Organization (WTO) in Geneva	For the introduction of Goods and Service Tax and Ease of Doing Business ability.
<b>13th edition of India-Vietnam Defence Security Dialogue</b>	Defence Secretary Dr. Ajay Kumar	Virtual meeting	To boost cooperation in the defence industry and technology sector.
<b>4th One Planet Summit</b>	United Nations and the World Bank	Virtual meeting	<b>Theme:</b> ‘Let’s act together for nature!’
<b>‘Prarambh’: Startup India International Summit</b>	Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), under the Ministry of Commerce and Industry	New Delhi	To provide the platform to the startups in order to work to develop new ideas and inventions.
<b>148th Session of WHO Executive Board</b>	Union Minister for Health and Family Welfare, Dr. Harsh Vardhan	Video Conferencing	To discuss the direction and frame agenda to fulfil the health requirement of WHO Member nations.

<b>1st Virtual India-EU Maritime Security Dialogue</b>	Joint Secretary Sandeep Arya and Director Joanneke Balfort	Virtual Meeting	To increase their strategic partnership in order to frame the India-EU Roadmap to 2025.
<b>7th MASCRAD 2021</b>	FICCI CASCADE (Committee Against Smuggling and Counterfeiting Activities Destroying the Economy)	Virtual Meeting	To combat illicit trade activities in the post-pandemic period of COVID-19.
<b>15th India Digital Summit 2021</b>	Internet and Mobile Association of India (IAMAI)	Virtual meeting	<b>Theme:</b> 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat-Start of New Decade'
<b>14th Joint Working Group Meet of India-UK on Counter-Terrorism</b>	India and United Kingdom	Virtual meeting	To deepen cooperation in order to combat global terrorism and cross-border terrorism in South Asia.
<b>35th PRAGATI Meet</b>	Prime Minister Narendra Modi	Virtual meeting	To look after the timely implementation of central and state governments policies.
<b>4th FII Forum 2021</b>	Union Minister Harsh Vardhan	Riyadh, Saudi Arabia	He also discussed various steps undertaken by India to tackle the pandemic.
<b>5th India-Japan Act East Forum Meet</b>	Harsh Vardhan Shringla, Foreign Secretary	New Delhi	To review the work of major ongoing projects of the North Eastern Region of India.

## **A MESSAGE TO ALL STUDENTS**

**Dear Student,**

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**Regards,**

**Surya Pratap Singh**

**Director**

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