



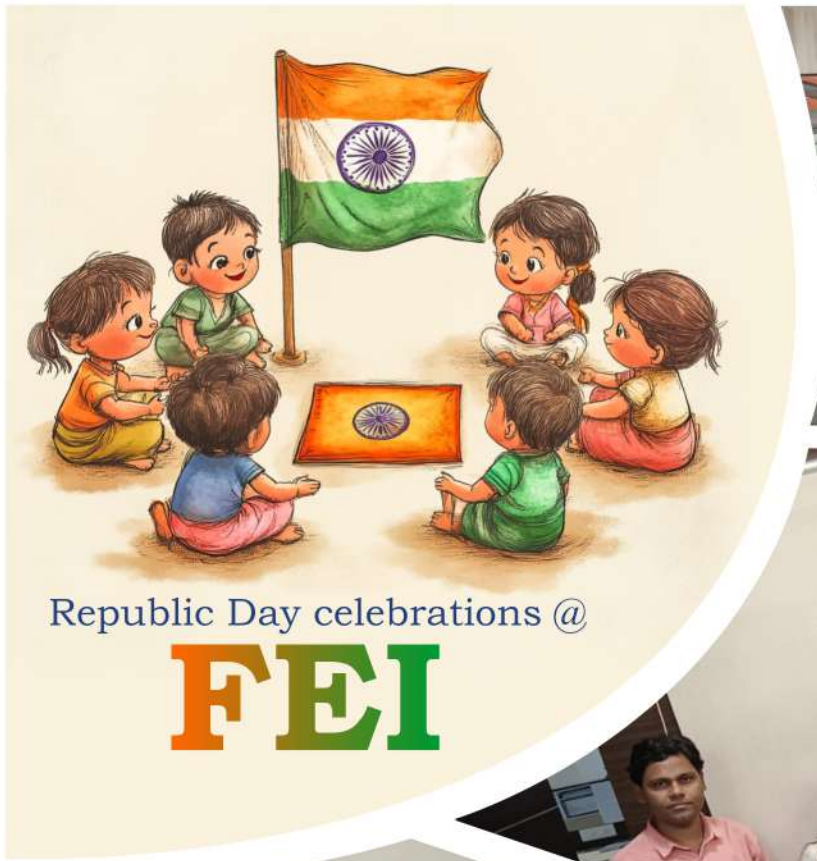
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# KUMBH MELA 2025:

## A glimpse into India's spiritual heartbeat

The year 2025 brings with it a magnificent spectacle that is nothing short of extraordinary—Kumbh Mela, one of the world's largest and most revered spiritual gatherings. Held once every few years at the holy confluence of the Ganges, Yamuna, and the mythical Saraswati rivers in Prayagraj (Allahabad), Kumbh Mela is an event that transcends religion, culture, and geography. For millions of devotees and visitors, it is a time to connect with the divine, soak in the vibrant energy, and witness a celebration of humanity that has been happening for over two millennia!



### What Makes Kumbh Mela Special?

At its core, Kumbh Mela is a festival of faith. Pilgrims from every corner of India and beyond flock to this sacred gathering, drawn by the belief that a dip in the holy waters at the Triveni Sangam will cleanse their sins and bestow them with blessings. But Kumbh Mela is far more than just ritual. It is a living, breathing testament to India's rich spiritual heritage and an unparalleled cultural phenomenon.

As the sun rises over the banks of the holy rivers, the atmosphere comes alive with the rhythmic chanting of hymns, the hum of thousands of devotees, and the vibrant colors of robes, flags, and sacred offerings. Imagine the captivating sight of Naga Sadhus—ascetic monks devoted to intense spirituality—leading grand processions with their serene presence and profound grace. It is a unique experience, one that captures the soul of India in its purest form.



### A Feast for the Senses

Of course, no festival is complete without food and Kumbh Mela is no exception! While the spiritual significance reigns supreme, the mela (fair) side of the event offers a delightful mix of sights, sounds, and tastes. Imagine walking through a vast array of stalls offering everything from traditional sweets like jalebi and kachaudi to refreshing glasses of lassi. Local vendors offer a variety of handcrafted goods, from textiles to jewelry, providing the perfect opportunity to take home a piece of the magic.

The mela grounds are teeming with life—colorful tents, intricate decorations, and bustling markets create a captivating atmosphere where every corner brings a new discovery. You will hear dhol drums and traditional instruments, see the breathtaking aarti (ritual of worship) ceremonies by the river, and encounter pilgrims and visitors alike sharing stories of hope, faith, and inspiration.

### A Global Event

While Kumbh Mela is deeply rooted in India's spiritual traditions, it has a universal appeal that attracts people from all over the world. It is not just a religious pilgrimage; it is a cultural immersion that offers travellers a unique window into the heart of India. For those lucky enough to experience it, Kumbh Mela offers a rare chance to witness one of the world's largest gatherings in full bloom—often numbering in the millions on auspicious bathing days. Whether you are someone looking to explore ancient customs or simply curious about global festivals, Kumbh Mela is an event that must be seen to be believed.



### A Moment of Reflection and Connection

Amidst the vibrant chaos, there is a quiet moment of reflection at Kumbh Mela. For many, the festival serves as a reminder of the power of faith, the beauty of tradition, and the profound connection between humanity and the divine. Whether you are there for the rituals, the cultural festivities, or simply to soak in the unique atmosphere, Kumbh Mela invites you to experience the world in a way that few other events can offer.

Kumbh Mela 2025 promises to be another unforgettable chapter in the story of this legendary gathering. It is an experience that goes beyond religion, offering a glimpse into the heart of India's spiritual and cultural essence.

# SpaDeX Mission:

## ISRO's Bold Step Towards Space Exploration in

# India

India's space ambitions have reached new heights with the **SpaDeX (Space Docking Experiment)** mission, an exciting new initiative launched by **ISRO (Indian Space Research Organisation)**. As space exploration becomes increasingly vital to global scientific progress, managing the growing problem of space debris has become a major priority. SpaDeX aims to address this challenge head-on.

The SpaDeX mission was successfully launched on **December 30, 2024**, from the **Satish Dhawan Space Centre in Sriharikota**. This mission is designed to develop and demonstrate advanced technologies for docking and active debris removal in space. On January 16, 2025, ISRO successfully completed the docking process of the SpaDeX satellites, marking a significant milestone in India's space exploration efforts.

### Key Objectives of SpaDeX

- 1 Space Debris Tracking and Monitoring:** SpaDeX will employ innovative techniques to monitor and track debris in low Earth orbit (LEO). Using advanced sensors and radar, ISRO aims to create a robust system to catalog debris objects and predict potential collision risks.
- 2 Debris Removal Technology:** One of the most ambitious aspects of the mission is to develop technology for the active removal of space debris. This could include strategies like using robotic arms, lasers, or advanced capture systems to safely de-orbit non-functional satellites and other debris.
- 3 Sustainable Space Operations:** By mitigating the dangers posed by space debris, SpaDeX will help ensure the safety and sustainability of future space missions. This is particularly crucial as India expands its presence in space with projects like the Gaganyaan mission, India's first manned space mission, and the growing fleet of communication and Earth observation satellites.



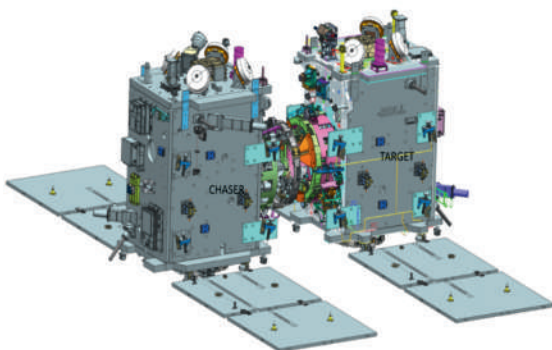
### International Collaboration and Impact

The SpaDeX mission is not just a step forward for India; it is a contribution to global space safety. ISRO plans to collaborate with international space agencies, researchers, and space organizations to share data and expertise. Space debris is a problem that affects all nations engaged in space exploration, and SpaDeX positions India as an active participant in global efforts to keep space safe for future generations.

### The Path Forward

As space debris continues to increase with the growing number of satellites launched each year, ISRO's SpaDeX mission will play a key role in shaping the future of space sustainability. Through this initiative, India aims to set a global example in tackling space environmental challenges while advancing its own space exploration capabilities.

The SpaDeX mission is not just a technological feat but also an essential step towards ensuring that space remains a safe and accessible frontier for exploration and innovation in the years to come. ISRO's commitment to solving the space debris problem signals a new era of responsible space exploration—one where India continues to lead with innovation, collaboration, and sustainability.



# FROM LONG-RANGE HYPERSONIC MISSILE TO INDIGENOUS ANTIBIOTIC: INDIA'S HISTORIC FIRSTS IN 2024

## NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL MILESTONES

### National Creators Award (NCA):

India launched the National Creators Award (NCA), the world's first honor for digital content creators. PM Modi presented the inaugural award, showcasing India's digital ecosystem.

### UN's First International Conference on Digital Public Infrastructure:

India hosted the UN's first digital public infrastructure conference, focusing on sustainable development and featuring the 'Citizen Stack' initiative.

### 46th UNESCO World Heritage Committee:

In July, India hosted the UNESCO World Heritage Committee meeting for the first time. Assam's moidams were added to the list, bringing India's total to forty-two heritage sites.



### First International Conference of All India Institute of Ayurveda:

India's AIIA hosted its first global conference in October, boosting Ayurveda's international recognition as a legitimate medical system.

### ICA Global Cooperative Conference 2024:

India hosted the International Cooperative Alliance's first Global Cooperative Conference in November, emphasizing India's leadership in global cooperative development.

### First Asian Buddhist Summit:

In November, India hosted the first Asian Buddhist Summit, attended by 160 delegates from thirty-two countries.

## SPACE AND DEFENCE RESEARCH

### First X-Ray Polarimeter Satellite:

ISRO launched its X-ray polarimeter satellite (XPoSat) in January, positioning India as only the second country to study black holes with a dedicated satellite.

### First Private Sector Military Aircraft Plant:

PM Modi inaugurated India's first private-sector military aircraft plant in October, advancing the nation's self-reliance in defence manufacturing.

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## INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT

### **First National Highway Steel Slag Road Section:**

In January, India inaugurated a steel slag road section on NH-66, enhancing road durability and sustainability.

### **J&K's First Electric Train:**

In February, Jammu and Kashmir received its first electric train, marking significant progress in transportation.

### **First-ever Floating Solar Plant of Indian Railways:**

The 10 MWp floating solar plant was launched by Indian Railways in June, promoting renewable energy.

### **Delhi Metro's First 'Make in India' Driverless Train:**

In September, Delhi Metro introduced its first driverless train, advancing public transport automation.

### **First Vande Metro (Namoo Bharat Rapid Rail):**

In September, India launched the Vande Metro between Ahmedabad and Bhuj, enhancing urban transport.

### **'Samarthak' - First Indigenous Multipurpose Vessel:**

The Indian Navy launched 'Samarthak' in October, marking India's progress in indigenous shipbuilding.

### **First Vertical Lift Rail Sea Bridge:**

The Pamban Bridge, India's first vertical lift railway bridge, was completed in November, replacing a 105-year-old bridge.

### **First Modern, Self-sufficient Gaushala:**

In November, India inaugurated a cattle dung-based biogas plant in Gwalior, advancing sustainable development.



## GOVERNANCE AND ECONOMY

### **First-ever Survey on Snow Leopards:**

In January, India completed its first snow leopard survey, estimating a population of 718, aiding conservation efforts.

### **Electricity to Remote Villages:**

Two villages in Jammu and Kashmir and one in Chhattisgarh received electricity for the first time, marking a milestone in rural electrification.

### **Foreign Reserves Crossed US\$700 Bn for the First Time:**

India's forex reserves surpassed US\$700 billion in September, placing it among the top four globally.

### **Historic Records in Digital Transactions:**

In October, UPI processed 16.58 billion transactions in a month, reflecting India's digital transformation.

### **First Constitution Day Celebration in J&K:**

For the first time, Jammu and Kashmir celebrated 'Samvidhan Diwas' on November 26, reinforcing democratic integration.

## HEALTHCARE

### **First Indigenous Antibiotic - Nafithromycin:**

India launched Nafithromycin, its first indigenous antibiotic, in 2024. It is ten times more effective than Azithromycin, addressing antimicrobial resistance.

# WHAT IS 'DIGITAL ARREST SCAM' AND HOW CAN YOU PROTECT YOURSELF?



A recent scam has emerged, resulting in significant financial losses for individuals and businesses, amounting to crores of rupees, under the guise of "digital arrest." In digital arrest scam, fraudsters impersonate law enforcement officials to deceive their victims. Prime Minister Modi has also issued a warning to the public regarding this scam, urging them to report any such incidents to the cyber helpline. Additionally, the Computer Emergency Response Team of India (CERT-In) has provided a list of methods by which these fraudsters carry out online scams, including the digital arrest scam.

## What is a digital arrest scam?

A digital arrest scam is an online scam that defrauds victims of their hard-earned money. The scammers intimidate the victims and falsely accuse them of illegal activities. They later demand money and put them under pressure for making the payment.



## How digital arrest scam works?

In digital arrest scam, perpetrators pose as law enforcement officials, such as CBI agents, income tax officers, or customs agents, and initiate contact with victims via phone calls. Subsequently, they request that the victims switch to video communication through platforms like WhatsApp and Skype. The scammers then threaten the victims with a digital arrest warrant, citing various reasons such as financial misconduct, tax evasion, or other legal violations. In certain instances, these fraudsters create a police station-like set-up to further convince victims that the call is legitimate. Under the guise of "clearing their name", "assisting with the investigation", or "refundable security deposit/escrow account", individuals are coerced into transferring large sums of money to specified bank accounts or UPI IDs. Once the victims comply and make the payment, the scammers vanish, leaving the victims to face financial loss and potential identity theft.

## How to avoid becoming a victim of digital arrest scam?

The most important way to protect yourself from getting scammed is to be aware. Always stay vigilant against such crimes. Here are some tips to save you from digital arrest scam:

Be suspicious of calls from fake officials claiming that you are in trouble. It is always important to remember that real law enforcement agency officials will never ask for payment or banking details.

Do not give in to the "pressure tactics" deployed by cyber criminals, who seek quick action by creating "a sense of urgency". If you are suspicious about the call, verify their identity by directly contacting the relevant agency they are referring to. Try to be calm and do not panic. Avoid sharing personal information and never disclose sensitive personal or financial details over the phone or video calls, especially to unknown numbers. Remember, government agencies do not use platforms like WhatsApp or Skype for official communication. If you think you are being scammed, never forget to report the incident to the local police or cyber crime authorities.

CERT-In's advisory to the public said staying "vigilant and informed" is crucial to protect oneself from this "emerging cyber threat". What to do if you are a victim of digital arrest scam and lost money? If you are a victim of digital arrest scam, the first step is to immediately report your bank and freeze your account.

*File a complaint with the National Cyber Crime Reporting Portal ([cybercrime.gov.in](http://cybercrime.gov.in)).  
Always keep whatever evidence you have — call details, transaction details, messages, etc.  
Seek help from a lawyer if needed.*



**Kanubhai Babubhai Swami**  
brother of **Mr. Shankar Swami**  
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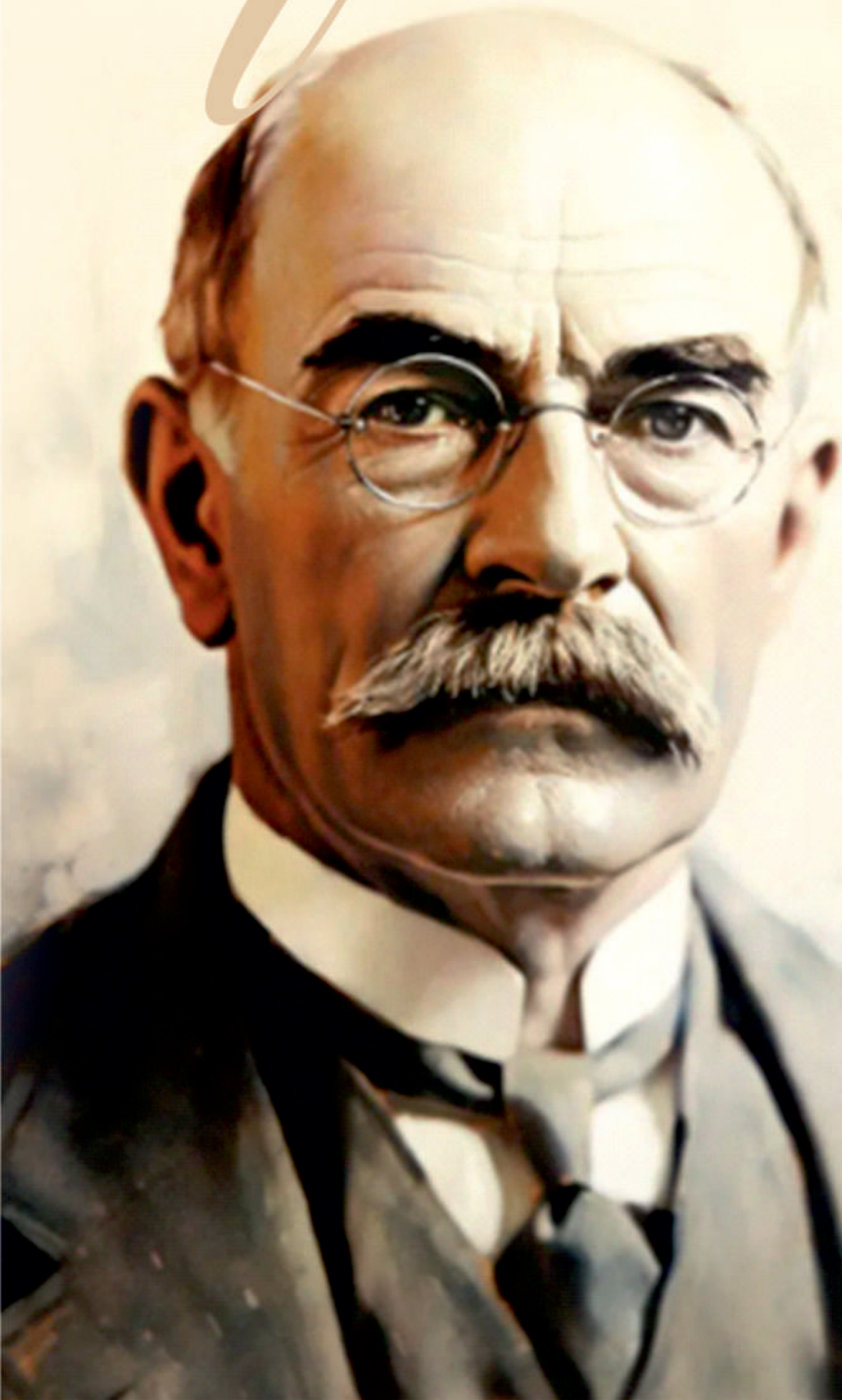
## Rudyard Kipling

*If you can keep your head when all about you  
Are losing theirs and blaming it on you,  
If you can trust yourself when all men doubt you,  
But make allowance for their doubting too;  
If you can wait and not be tired by waiting,  
Or being lied about, don't deal in lies,  
Or being hated, don't give way to hating,  
And yet don't look too good, nor talk too wise:*

*If you can dream-and not make dreams your master;  
If you can think-and not make thoughts your aim;  
If you can meet with Triumph and Disaster  
And treat those two impostors just the same;  
If you can bear to hear the truth you've spoken  
Twisted by knaves to make a trap for fools,  
Or watch the things you gave your life to, broken,  
And stoop and build 'em up with worn-out tools:*

*If you can make one heap of all your winnings  
And risk it on one turn of pitch-and-toss,  
And lose, and start again at your beginnings  
And never breathe a word about your loss;  
If you can force your heart and nerve and sinew  
To serve your turn long after they are gone,  
And so hold on when there is nothing in you  
Except the Will which says to them: 'Hold on!'*

*If you can talk with crowds and keep your virtue,  
Or walk with Kings-nor lose the common touch,  
If neither foes nor loving friends can hurt you,  
If all men count with you, but none too much:  
If you can fill the unforgiving minute  
With sixty seconds' worth of distance run,  
Yours is the Earth and everything that's in it,  
And-which is more-you'll be a Man, my son!*



# WHY DIDN'T LORD KRISHNA PROTECT HIS NEPHEW ABHIMANYU IN THE MAHABHARATA WAR? THE REASON WILL ASTONISH YOU

You are all familiar with the story of the Mahabharata, but there are many aspects of it that you may not know.

Today, we will tell you why, despite being so powerful, Lord Krishna did not protect his nephew Abhimanyu, the son of Subhadra and the great warrior Arjuna, and why he allowed him to die in the war. There is a long story behind this.

In fact, it is a rule of creation that whenever a crisis occurs in the world or the three realms, or when adharma increases, at that time God takes an avatar, destroys adharma, and protects dharma. A similar event occurred in the Dwapara Yuga, when sin increased greatly on the earth, and during that time, Lord Krishna, the avatar of Lord Vishnu, was born. It is said that Lord Krishna, who was himself the avatar of Vishnu, told Brahma and other deities that either they or their sons should take human birth on Earth to participate in the Mahabharata War to protect dharma. In such a situation, when Chandra heard that his son Bharcha had the right to be born on Earth, he refused to follow Brahma's order. It is said that Chandra never wanted his son to go to the Earth for the Mahabharata.

However, he was compelled to send his son to the war, but before that, Chandra had clearly stated that his son Bharcha would not be born on Earth. In fact, to make this happen, all the deities pressured Chandra and told him that protecting dharma war, is the duty of all deities, so they or their sons cannot deviate from their duty.

After this, Chandra's son Bharcha was born as Abhimanyu, which signified that when Bharcha was sent, Chandra had placed a condition with the deities that he did not want to send his beloved son. There was no option to turn back from the task, so his son went to Earth but would not remain there for long. His son would be born as the son of Arjuna, in the absence of Nar-Narayana, and he would enter the Chakravyuha, astound great kings in a dreadful battle, and after a day's fight, he would return in the evening, fulfilling his destiny.

The reason was that during the Mahabharata War, when Abhimanyu entered Dronacharya's chakravyuha, after a whole day's battle, he attained a heroic pace in the chakravyuha at the hands of the Kauravas. Since Chandra had placed this condition, Lord Krishna did not intervene in Abhimanyu's fate and did not protect him.



# WANKHEDE STADIUM COMPLETES 50 YEARS:

**HISTORY, SIGNIFICANCE & ALL YOU NEED  
TO KNOW ABOUT MUMBAI'S ICONIC VENUE**



Mumbai's Wankhede Stadium, is one of the most iconic cricket venues and celebrated 50 years on January 19. It holds a special place in Indian cricket history, hosting the unforgettable 2011 World Cup final where India lifted the trophy with Dhoni's Iconic six and Sachin Tendulkar played his farewell Test in 2013, bringing the entire nation into tears.

Built in 1974, it was constructed after a dispute between the Bombay Cricket Association (BCA) and the Cricket Club of India, who managed Brabourne Stadium. To resolve this, the BCA built the Wankhede Stadium, located just a mile away, with a seating capacity of 45,000.

The stadium hosted its first Test match during the 1974-75 season, when India faced the West Indies. In that game, Clive Lloyd scored a remarkable 242 not out, and it marked the final Test for India's legendary captain Mansur Ali Khan Pataudi.

India's first win at Wankhede came two seasons later, against New Zealand. The Stadium was named after S. K. Wankhede. Sheshrao Krishnarao Wankhede (24 September 1914 – 30 January 1988) who was a cricket administrator and politician.

Over the years, Wankhede has witnessed numerous historic moments. Like Sunil Gavaskar scored a brilliant 205 against the West Indies in 1978-79, and Vinod Kambli made an unforgettable 224 against England in 1992-93.

Ravi Shastri famously hit six sixes in an over during a domestic match here in 1985, achieving the fastest double-century in first-class cricket at the time.

The stadium also saw Ian Botham's all-round brilliance in the 1980 Jubilee Test, where he scored a century and took 13 wickets to help England defeat India.

Initially, Wankhede's seaside location gave swing bowlers an edge due to the breeze, but after its renovation for the 2011 World Cup, this impact was reduced.

It has great significance, as Mumbai has two stadiums: Brabourne Stadium and Wankhede Stadium, while Navi Mumbai has one stadium, named D.Y. Patil Stadium.

The pitch is generally good for batting, but the red soil makes it spin-friendly on the final days of Tests. A memorable low-scoring match occurred in 2005 when India defeated Australia in under three days on a pitch that turned sharply from the start.

The stadium is also famous for its stands named after cricket legends such as Vijay Merchant, Sunil Gavaskar, and Sachin Tendulkar.



## BIRTHDAYS

05th	Kandarp Mehta	Ahmedabad
08th	Rajiv Shukla	Delhi
09th	Bhiva Khandekar	Mumbai
13th	Rajesh Pal	Ahmedabad
16th	Rekha Chaudhary	Delhi
16th	Meghali Kadam	Corporate
16th	Vidya Monde	Mumbai
20th	Amol Baad	Mumbai
24th	Nishant Sohli	Delhi
26th	Aryan Jani	Ahmedabad
27th	Siyad P.S	Kochi
28th	Sineesh S. G	Kochi

## WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

03th	Nikhil Parmar	Ahmedabad
06th	Krishnadev Atpadkar	Mumbai
09th	D. Jagadeesan	Chennai
12th	R. Murugesan	Tirupur
12th	Sandeep Sawool	Mumbai
15th	Sanjay Sawant	Mumbai
18th	Sushant Kadam	Corporate
22th	Avaneesh Rai	Mumbai
23th	Narendra Waigankar	Mumbai
24th	R. Ramesh	Chennai
26th	Sunil Joshi	Ahmedabad
26th	Om Parkash Yadav	Delhi
25th	Mallesh Enuga	Hyderabad

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		Ahmedabad	Bangalore	Baroda	Chennai	Delhi	Gandhidham	Hyderabad	Kochi	Kolkata	Mumbai	Pune	Tirupur	Tuticorin
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Mahashivratri	26th Feb/Wed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	

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