

## IMPORTANT CHIEF MINISTERS

Uttarakhand <b>B.C. Khanduri</b>	Manipur <b>Ibobi Singh</b>	Bihar <b>Nitish Kumar</b>
Uttar Pradesh <b>Mayawati</b>	Jammu & Kashmir <b>Ghulam N. Azad</b>	Delhi <b>Sheila Dixit</b>
Kerala <b>V.S. Achutanandam</b>	Assam <b>Tarun Gogoi</b>	Goa <b>Digambar Kamath</b>
Goa <b>Digambar V. Kamat</b>	Haryana <b>Bhupinder Singh Hooda</b>	Gujrat <b>Narendra Modi</b>
Gujrat <b>Narendra Modi</b>	Madhya Pradesh <b>Shivraj Singh Patil</b>	Himachal Pradesh <b>Prem Kumar Dhumal</b>
Meghalaya <b>D.D. Lapang</b>	Chattisgarh <b>Raman Singh</b>	Jharkhand <b>Madhu Koda</b>
Arunachal Pradesh <b>Dorjee Khandu</b>	Andhra Pradesh <b>Y.S. R. Reddy</b>	Meghalaya <b>Donkumar Rao</b>
Punjab <b>Prakash Singh Badal</b>	Tamil Nadu <b>M. Karunanidhi</b>	

## CABINET MINISTERS

Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions Ministry of Planning Department of Atomic Energy Department of Space Ministry of Coal Ministry of Environment and Forests	<b>Manmohan Singh</b>
External Affairs	<b>Pranab Mukherjee</b>
Human Resource Development	<b>Arjun Singh</b>
Agriculture and Consumer Affairs	<b>Sharad Power</b>
Railways	<b>Lalu Prasad</b>
Defence	<b>A K Antony</b>
Home Affairs	<b>Shivraj V. Patil</b>
Minority Affairs	<b>Abdul Rehman Antulay</b>
Power	<b>Sushil kumar Shinde</b>
Chemicals, Fertilizers and Steel	<b>Ram Vilas Paswan</b>
Urban Development	<b>S. Jaipal Reddy</b>
Mines	<b>Sis Ram Ola</b>
Finance	<b>P. Chidambaram</b>
Small Scale Industries and Agro and Rural Industries	<b>Mahavir Prasad</b>
Tribal Affairs	<b>P.R. Kyndiah</b>
Shipping, Road Transport and Highways	<b>T. R. Baalu</b>
Textiles	<b>Shankersinh Vaghela</b>

Overseas Indian Affairs and Parliamentary Affairs	<b>Vayalar Ravi</b>
Commerce and Industry	<b>Kamal Nath</b>
Law and Justice	<b>Hansraj Bhardwaj</b>
Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	<b>Sontosh Mohan Dev</b>
Water Resources	<b>Saif-ud-din Soz</b>
Rural Development	<b>Raghuvansh Prasad Singh</b>
Information and Broadcasting	<b>Priya Ranjan Dasmunsi</b>
Company Affairs	<b>Prem Chand Gupta</b>
Science, Technology and Earth Sciences	<b>Kapil Sibal</b>
Health and Family Welfare	<b>Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss</b>
Communications and Information Technology	<b>A. Raja</b>
Tourism and Culture	<b>Ambika Soni</b>
Petroleum and Natural Gas	<b>Murli Deora</b>
Social Justice and Empowerment	<b>Meira Kumar</b>
Panchayati Raj and Development of North Eastern Region	<b>Mani Shankar Aiyar</b>

## OTHER IMPORTANT POSITIONS

President of India  
**Pratibha Devisingh Patil** (12<sup>th</sup> ;and first woman to become President of India)

Vice-President of India  
**Mohammed Hamid Ansari**

Chief Justice of Supreme Court of India  
**K.G. Balakrishnan**

Comptroller & Auditor General of India (CAG)  
**Vinod Rai**

Attorney General of India  
**Milon Kumar Banerjee**

Solicitor General of India  
**Goolam E. Vahanwati**

Chief of the Army Staff  
**Deepak Kapoor**

Chief of the Air Staff  
**F.H. Major**

Chief of the Naval Staff  
**Suresh Mehta**

Chairman of Central Vigilance Commission (CVC)  
**Pratyush Sinha**

Chairman of the Election Commission  
**N. Gopalaswamy**

Speaker of the Lok Sabha  
**Somnath Chatterjee**

Deputy Speaker of the Lok Sabha  
**Charanjit Singh Atwal**

Leader of the Opposition of the Rajya Sabha  
**Jaswant Singh**

Chairman of the Rajya Sabha  
**Mohammad Hamid Ansari**

Deputy chairman of the Rajya Sabha  
**K. Rahaman Khan**

Secretary –General of the Rajya Sabha  
**Vivek Agnihotri**

Secretary General of Lok Sabha  
**P.D.T. Achari**

Cabinet Secretary to the Government of  
India  
**K. M. Chandrashekhar**

## **GOVERNMENT BODIES**

Chairman of the Planning Commission  
of India  
**Dr. Manmohan Singh**

Deputy chairman of the Planning  
Commission of India  
**Montek Singh Ahluwalia**

President of Confederation of Indian  
Industries (CII)  
**Sunil Bharti Mittal**

President of Federation of Indian  
Chambers of Commerce & Industries  
(FICCI)  
**Rajeev Chandrashekhar**

President of National Association of  
Software and Service Companies  
(NASSCOM)  
**Som Mittal**

Chairman of National Association of  
Software and Service Companies  
(NASSCOM)  
**N. Lakshmi Narayan**

Chairman of Life Insurance Corporation  
of India  
**D.K. Mehrotra**

Governor of Reserve Bank of India  
**Y.V. Reddy**

Chairperson of the Children Film Society  
of India  
**Nafisa Ali Sodhi**

Chairman of Telecom Regulatory  
Authority of India (TRAI)  
**Nripendra Mishra**

Chairman of Securities & Exchange  
Board of India (SEBI)  
**C.B. Bhav**

President of ASSOCHAM  
**Venugopal Dhoot**

Central Information Commissioner  
(CIC)  
**Wazahat Habibullah**

Director of Central Bureau of  
Investigation (CBI)  
**Vijay Shankar**

Chairman of Indian Space Research  
Organization (ISRO)  
**G. Madhavan Nair**

Chairman of National Dairy  
Development Board (NDDB)  
**Amrita Patel**

## PSU HEADS

State Bank of India

**O.P. Bhatt**

Acting Chief Executive Officer of Prasar  
Bharti of India

**Brijeshwar Singh**

Chairman of Prasar Bharti of India

**Baljeet Singh Lalli**

GAIL

**U.D. Choubey**

HPCL

**Mahesh B Lal**

IOC

**Sarthak Behuria**

NTPC

**T Sankaralingam**

ONGC

**R.S. Sharma**

ONGC Videsh

**R.S. Butola**

Oil India Limited

**M.R. Pasrija**

BSNL

**Kuldip Goyal**

MTNL

**RSP Sinha**

Air India

**V Thulasidas**

SAIL

**Sushil Kumar Roongta**

BHEL

**Ashok k Puri**

## MISC

Prime minister of Pakistan

**Yousuf Raza Gillani**

President of Iraq

**Jalal Talabani**

President of China

**Hu Jintao**

President of Afghanistan

**Hamid Karzai**

Prime minister of Nepal

**Girija Prasad Koirala**

President of Sri-Lanka

**Mahinda Rajapaksa**

Prime minister of Japan

**Yusuo Fukuda**

President of Bangladesh

**Iazuddin Ahmed**

Chairman of 13th Finance Commission  
of India

**Dr. Vijay Kelkar**

Chairman of National Human Rights  
Commission

**S. Rajendra Babu**

Chairman of the Godhra carnage probe  
**U.C. Bannerjee**

Chairman of the Babri Masjid  
demolition issue  
**M.S. Liberhan**

Chairman of the sixth pay commission  
**B.N. Srikrishna**

Chairman of the Anti-Sikh riots case  
(1984)

Chairman of probing the Volcker  
Committee report  
**R.S. Pathak**

**G.T. Nanawati**

Chairman of 1993 Mumbai bomb blast  
case  
**Justice Sri Krishna**

### **INTERNATIONAL ORGANISATIONS**

Chairman of Federal Reserve Bank of America  
**Ben Bernanke, Headquarters: Washington D.C.**

President of the World Bank (WB)  
**Rober Zoellick, Headquarters: Washington, D.C.**

Managing Director the International Monetary Fund (IMF)  
**Dominique Strauss Kahn, Headquarters: Washington D.C. USA**

United Nations Secretary –General  
**Ban-ki-Moon, Headquarters: New York, USA**

President of the International Court of Justice  
**Dame Rosalyn Higgins, Headquarters: The Hague, Netherlands**

Director-General of World Trade Organization (WTO)  
**Pascal Lamy, Headquarters: Geneva, Switzerland**

Director –General of World Health Organization (WHO)  
**Dr. Margaret Chan, Headquarters : Geneva, Switzerland**

President of the Asian Development Bank (ADB)  
**Haruhiko Kuroda, Headquarters: Mandaluyong City, Philippines**

Director of International Atomic Energy Agency (IAEA)  
**Mohamed Elbaradei, Headquarters: Vienna, Austria**

Secretary –General of South Asian Association for Regional Co-operation (SAARC)  
**Lyonpo Chenkyab Dorji, Headquarters: Kathmandu, Nepal**

Secretary General of the Commonwealth

**Kamalesh Sharma, Headquarters: Marlborough House, London, UK**

Acting President of International Cricket Council (ICC)

**Ray Mali, Headquarters: Dubai, UAE**

President International Olympic Committee (IOC)

**Jacques Rogge, Headquarters: Lausanne, Switzerland**

## AWARDS

### Nobel Prize:

**Literature:** *Ms. Doris Lessing* for her remarkable works that have covered feminism, politics and her youth on Africa

**Peace:** US Vice President, *Mr. Al Gore*, and the United Nations' top climate panel, Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change.

**Economics:** *Mr. Leonid Hurwicz, Mr. Eric S. Maskin* and *Mr. Roger B. Myerson*

**Medicine:** *Prof. Mario Capecchi* and *Prof. Martin Evans of USA* with UK's *Prof. Oliver Smithies* for their creation of "designer mice" to track the roles of different genes in human development and disease.

**Physics:** France's *Prof. Albert Fert* and Germany's *Prof. Peter Gruenberg* for a discovery that has shrunk the size of hard disks found in computers, ipods and other devices.

**Chemistry:** *Prof. Gerhard Ertl* of Germany for his studies of chemical reactions on solid surfaces, which are the key to understanding questions related to the thinning of Ozone Layer.

**Australian Open 2008 Men**  
Novak Djokovic from Serbia

**Test Player of the Year 2007**  
Mohammad Yousuf

**Australian Open 2008 Women**  
Maria Sharapova from Russia

**ODI Player of the Year 2007**  
Matthew Hayden

**English Premier League 2007-08**  
**Winner**  
Manchester United

Miss World 2007  
**Miss China Ms. Zhang Zilin**

**World Footballer of year 2007 Winner**  
Kaka, AC Milan  
**ICC Player of the Year 2007**  
Ricky Pointing

Man Booker Prize 2007  
**Irish author Ms. Anne Enright, for**  
**'The Gathering'**

ICC T-20 Cricket Tournament (South Africa) **India**