

India's Sporting Diplomacy: Navigating Bilateral Ties & Global Ambitions

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1. Which country did the Indian Women's Hockey Team recently tour as part of their preparation for the FIH Hockey Women's Nations Cup?

- A) Argentina
- B) New Zealand
- C) Australia**
- D) South Korea

2. India has reaffirmed its ban on bilateral sporting events with which neighboring country, while allowing participation in multilateral events?

- A) Bangladesh
- B) Nepal
- C) Sri Lanka
- D) Pakistan**

3. In the Archery World Cup 2026 held in Shanghai, the Indian women's recurve team defeated which host nation to win the gold medal?

- A) South Korea
- B) Japan
- C) China**
- D) Thailand

4. India secured a historic win against which European nation in the Davis Cup Tennis Qualifiers 2026, held in Bengaluru?

- A) Spain
- B) Germany
- C) Netherlands**
- D) France

5. Which of these sports saw India win multiple medals, including gold, silver, and bronze, at the Asian Rowing Championships 2025 in Vietnam?

- A) Badminton
- B) Archery
- C) Rowing**
- D) Table Tennis

6. In the Asian Senior Weightlifting Championships 2026 held in Gandhinagar, India secured which position in the women's team rankings?

- A) First
- B) Second
- C) Third**
- D) Fourth

7. India's policy for managing bilateral sporting ties with Pakistan allows participation in what kind of events?

- A) Only bilateral series
- B) Multilateral international tournaments**
- C) Exhibition matches
- D) Regional club championships

8. Which Indian athlete won gold medals in both the men's single scull and secured bronze medals in other events at the Asian Rowing Championships 2025?

- A) Dattu Baban Bhokanal
- B) Bajrang Lal Takhar
- C) Balraj Panwar**
- D) Satish Joshi

9. India's recent sports policy aims to facilitate hosting which major international sporting event in 2030?

- A) FIFA World Cup
- B) Commonwealth Games**
- C) Rugby World Cup
- D) Winter Olympics

10. In which sport did India win a historic bronze medal after a gap of 41 years at the Tokyo Olympics (2020)?

- A) Football
- B) Basketball
- C) Hockey**
- D) Volleyball

11. Which Indian city hosted the FIH Hockey Women's World Cup Qualifiers 2026, where India reached the final?

- A) New Delhi
- B) Bengaluru
- C) Hyderabad**
- D) Chennai

12. India's successful campaign at the Asian Weightlifting Championships 2026 included a notable performance by Sanjana in which weight category?

- A) 48kg
- B) 53kg
- C) 69kg
- D) 77kg**

13. Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently highlighted the growing sporting ties between India and which European nation, particularly in cricket and hockey?

- A) Germany
- B) France
- C) Netherlands**
- D) Belgium

14. India's recent sports policy aims to facilitate hosting which major international sporting event in 2036?

- A) Commonwealth Games
- B) Asian Games
- C) Olympics**
- D) Paralympic Games

15. Which Indian chess player made history in 2024 by becoming the youngest player to win the Candidates Tournament and subsequently clinch the World Chess Championship title?

- A) Viswanathan Anand
- B) Gukesh Dommaraju**
- C) Pentala Harikrishna
- D) Vidit Gujrathi