

LOK SABHA SPEAKER ARRIVES IN BARBADOS FOR 68TH COMMONWEALTH PARLIAMENTARY CONFERENCE (CPC), BEING HELD FROM 5–12 OCTOBER 2025

LOK SABHA SPEAKER TO CHAIR WORKSHOP ON “LEVERAGING TECHNOLOGY: ENHANCING DEMOCRACY THROUGH DIGITAL TRANSFORMATIONS AND TACKLING THE DIGITAL DIVIDE” TODAY

SHRI OM BIRLA TO ALSO ADDRESS THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 68TH CPC ON THE CONFERENCE THEME 'THE COMMONWEALTH: A GLOBAL PARTNER'

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Lok Sabha Speaker Shri Om Birla, leading an Indian Parliamentary Delegation, has arrived in Bridgetown, Barbados to attend the 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference (CPC) being held from October 5 to 12, 2025. The Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference, one of the largest gatherings of parliamentarians from across the Commonwealth, provides a platform for discussion and exchange of ideas on strengthening democratic institutions, promoting good governance, and addressing global challenges through parliamentary diplomacy and cooperation.

On its arrival, the Indian delegation, headed by Speaker Shri Om Birla, participated in the opening ceremony of the Conference.

Truly inspiring to attend the Opening Ceremony of the 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference in Barbados, alongside Speakers and leaders from around the world. “The Commonwealth – A Global Partner” reminds us that through dialogue, cooperation & shared democratic values, we... pic.twitter.com/0gCDRRwKH0

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The Indian Parliamentary Delegation includes Shri Harivansh, Deputy Chairman, Rajya Sabha; Shri Anurag Sharma, MP and CPA Executive Committee Member; Dr. D. Purandeswari, MP and CWP Steering Committee Member; Dr. K. Sudhakar, MP; Smt. Rekha Sharma, MP; Dr. Ajeet Madhavrao Gopchade, MP;

Shri Utpal Kumar Singh, Secretary General, Lok Sabha; and Shri P.C. Mody, Secretary General, Rajya Sabha.

As part of the conference, Speaker Shri Om Birla will today chair a key workshop on the theme: “Leveraging Technology: Enhancing Democracy through Digital Transformations and Tackling the Digital Divide.”

Shri Birla will also address the General Assembly of the 68th CPC on the theme “The Commonwealth: A Global Partner”, highlighting India’s commitment to democratic values, inclusive governance, and parliamentary transparency and global parliamentary cooperation.

Landed in Bridgetown, Barbados for the 68th Commonwealth Parliamentary Conference. As nations with shared democratic traditions, the Commonwealth offers a unique platform to shape a more inclusive and cooperative global order. Looking forward to meaningful deliberations under the...

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Throughout the Conference, seven thematic Workshops will be held on a range of contemporary issues. Members of the Indian delegation, including 36 Presiding Officers from 24 State/UT Legislatures of India, will participate in these Workshops.

During the week-long conference, Shri Birla is also scheduled to hold bilateral meetings with his counterparts from other Commonwealth nations to discuss issues of mutual interest and further enhance parliamentary cooperation.

The 68th CPC, hosted by the Parliament of Barbados and the CPA Barbados branch, brings together more than 600 delegates from over 180 national, state, and provincial legislatures across the Commonwealth under the **‘The Commonwealth – A Global Partner.’**

India has been an active participant in the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association’s initiatives and has consistently contributed to strengthening the global democratic dialogue through parliamentary cooperation and capacity building.

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