



Meeting of Prime Minister with the President of the Russian Federation

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Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi today met the President of the Russian Federation, H.E. Vladimir Putin, in Bishkek, on the margins of the 26th SCO Summit. This was their first meeting this year. The two leaders had earlier met in Delhi for the 23rd Annual Summit in December 2025.

The two leaders reviewed progress in bilateral cooperation in a range of fields, including political, economic, defence, energy, space, mobility and people-to-people ties. They welcomed the outcome of the 27th India-Russia Inter-Governmental Commission on Trade, Economic and Cultural matters, which was held on 24 August 2026 in Moscow.

The leaders exchanged views on India-Russia engagement in the multilateral arena, in particular in BRICS under India's Chairship for 2026. They also shared perspectives on key regional and global issues of mutual interest, including the conflicts in West Asia and the Black Sea region which have impacted maritime trade and the safety and security of Indian seafarers. Prime Minister reiterated that dialogue and diplomacy was the way forward in resolving conflicts.

The two leaders agreed to remain engaged to further strengthen the Special and Privileged Strategic Partnership between the two countries, which continues to register significant growth and has shown resilience in the backdrop of geopolitical uncertainties.

Prime Minister stated that he looks forward to welcoming President Putin in India for the 18th BRICS Summit on 12-13 September 2026.

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