

# List of Chief Ministers of India 2026

## States & Union Territories

Explore the list of Chief Ministers of all Indian states and Union Territories in 2026, including their tenure, roles, and responsibilities. Learn about longest-serving CMs, female leaders, and those who later became Prime Ministers of India.

**List of Chief Ministers of All States:** India has 28 states and 3 Union Territories, each with its own Chief Minister and Governor (or Lt. Governor). They act as the key link between the state and the central government, ensuring good governance, maintaining law and order, and representing the state's interests at various forums.

Chief Ministers play a significant legislative role in advising the Governor on legislative sessions and policy decisions.

### Chief Minister of State

The Chief Ministers are the elected heads of the governments of the states and Union Territories with legislative assemblies. Under Article 164, the Indian Constitution specifies the procedures for the appointment of Chief Ministers of all states.

Additionally, under Article 167, the functions of Chief Ministers are described, highlighting their roles as mediators between the Governor and the State Council of Ministers

Some important facts related to the Chief Ministers are as follows:

- Constitution Provision: Article 164
- Appointment: The Governor appoints the Chief Minister.
- Term: Usually, the term is 5 years.
- Roles and Responsibilities: Leads the Council of Ministers, allocates portfolios, and oversees the administration and implementation of state policies.

### List of Chief Ministers of All States

In India, each state is governed by a Chief Minister (CM), who acts as the head of the government and plays a crucial role in state administration. The Chief Minister is selected from the majority party in the state legislative assembly.

The list of chief ministers of India 2026 includes a total of 30 CMS across 27 States and 3 Union Territories. Here is the all-state Chief Minister list for 2026:

#### List of Chief Ministers of All States

State	Chief Minister	Took Office
Andhra Pradesh	Nara Chandrababu Naidu	12 June 2024
Arunachal Pradesh	Pema Khandu	17 July 2016

<b>Assam</b>	Himanta Biswa Sarma	10 May 2021
<b>Bihar</b>	Nitish Kumar	22 February 2015
<b>Chhattisgarh</b>	Vishnu Deo Sai	13 December 2023
<b>Delhi</b>	Atishi Marlena Singh	21 September 2024
<b>Goa</b>	Pramod Sawant	19 March 2019
<b>Gujarat</b>	Bhupendrabhai Patel	13 September 2021
<b>Haryana</b>	Nayab Singh Saini	12 March 2024
<b>Himachal Pradesh</b>	Sukhvinder Singh Sukhu	11 December 2022
<b>Jammu &amp; Kashmir</b>	Omar Abdullah	16 October 2024
<b>Jharkhand</b>	Hemant Soren	4 July 2024
<b>Karnataka</b>	Siddaramaiah	20 May 2023
<b>Kerala</b>	Pinarayi Vijayan	25 May 2016
<b>Madhya Pradesh</b>	Mohan Yadav	13 December 2023
<b>Maharashtra</b>	Devendra Fadnavis	5 December 2024
<b>Manipur</b>	N. Biren Singh	15 March 2017
<b>Meghalaya</b>	Conrad Kongkal Sangma	6 March 2018
<b>Mizoram</b>	PU Lalduhoma	8 December 2023
<b>Nagaland</b>	Neiphiu Rio	8 March 2018
<b>Odisha</b>	Mohan Charan Majhi	12 June 2024
<b>Punjab</b>	Bhagwant Singh Mann	16 March 2022
<b>Rajasthan</b>	Bhajan Lal Sharma	15 December 2023
<b>Sikkim</b>	Prem Singh Tamang (Golay)	27 May 2019
<b>Tamil Nadu</b>	M. K. Stalin	7 May 2021
<b>Telangana</b>	Anumula Revanth Reddy	7 December 2023
<b>Tripura</b>	Manik Saha	15 May 2022
<b>Uttar Pradesh</b>	Yogi Adityanath	19 March 2017
<b>Uttarakhand</b>	Pushkar Singh Dhami	4 July 2021
<b>West Bengal</b>	Mamata Banerjee	20 March 2011

## List of Chief Ministers of Union Territories

Most Union Territories like Chandigarh, Ladakh, Andaman & Nicobar, Dadra & Nagar Haveli, and Daman & Diu, Lakshadweep do not have Chief Ministers and are governed by Lieutenant Governors or Administrators appointed by the central government.

Here is the list of Chief Ministers of Indian Union Territories as of 2026:

List of Chief Ministers of Union Territories			
Union Territory	Chief Minister	Party	Took Office
Delhi (NCT)	Rekha Gupta	Aam Aadmi Party	21 September 2024
Puducherry	N. Rangaswamy	All India N.R. Congress	7 May 2021
Jammu and Kashmir	Shri Omar Abdullah	Jammu & Kashmir National Conference	16 October 2024

## Longest Serving Chief Ministers in India

The longest-serving Chief Ministers in India are distinguished by their extended tenures and sustained leadership, often exceeding multiple terms. Check out the list of longest serving CMs in India:

Longest Serving Chief Ministers in India		
Name	State	Tenure
Pawan Kumar Chamling	Sikkim	24 years, 165 days
Naveen Patnaik	Odisha	24 years, 99 days
Jyoti Basu	West Bengal	23 years, 137 days
Gegong Apang	Arunachal Pradesh	22 years, 250 days
Lal Thanhawla	Mizoram	22 years, 60 days
Virbhadra Singh	Himachal Pradesh	21 years, 13 days
Manik Sarkar	Tripura	19 years, 363 days
M. Karunanidhi	Tamil Nadu	18 years, 362 days
Parkash Singh Badal	Punjab	18 years, 350 days

<b>Nitish Kumar</b>	Bihar	18 years, 347 days
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## Female Chief Ministers in India

Female Chief Ministers in India have played a significant role in shaping the political landscape of various states. Their leadership continues to inspire greater participation of women in Indian politics.

Here is the detailed list of female CMs in India:

Female Chief Ministers in India		
Name	State/UT	Tenure Period(s)
<b>Sucheta Kriplani</b>	Uttar Pradesh	1963 – 1967
<b>Nandini Satpathy</b>	Odisha	1973 – 1977
<b>Shashikala Kakodkar</b>	Goa	1973 – 1979
<b>Anwara Taimur</b>	Assam	1980 – 1981
<b>Janaki Ramachandran</b>	Tamil Nadu	1988 (Brief term)
<b>J. Jayalalithaa</b>	Tamil Nadu	Multiple terms between 1991-2016
<b>Mayawati</b>	Uttar Pradesh	Multiple terms between 1995-2021
<b>Rajinder Kaur Bhattal</b>	Punjab	1997
<b>Rabri Devi</b>	Bihar	1997 – 2005
<b>Sushma Swaraj</b>	Delhi	1998 – 1999
<b>Sheila Dikshit</b>	Delhi	1998 – 2013
<b>Uma Bharti</b>	Madhya Pradesh	2003 – 2004
<b>Vasundhara Raje</b>	Rajasthan	2003 – 2008, 2013 – 2018
<b>Anandiben Patel</b>	Gujarat	2014 – 2016
<b>Mehbooba Mufti</b>	Jammu & Kashmir	2016 – 2018
<b>Mamata Banerjee</b>	West Bengal	2011 – Present
<b>Atishi Marlana Singh</b>	Delhi	2024 – 2025 (Interim)
<b>Rekha Gupta</b>	Delhi	2025 – Present

## Chief Ministers Who Later Became Prime Ministers

The following table lists Indian Chief Ministers who later served as Prime Ministers, indicating their respective states and tenures as Chief Ministers and Prime Ministers:

Chief Ministers Who Later Became Prime Ministers			
Name	State	Chief Minister Tenure	Prime Minister Tenure
<b>Morarji Desai</b>	Bombay State	1952–1956	1977–1979
<b>Charan Singh</b>	Uttar Pradesh	1967–1968, 1970	1979–1980
<b>V.P. Singh</b>	Uttar Pradesh	1980–1982	1989–1990
<b>P.V. Narasimha Rao</b>	Andhra Pradesh	1971–1973	1991–1996
<b>H.D. Deve Gowda</b>	Karnataka	1994–1996	1996–1997
<b>Narendra Modi</b>	Gujarat	2001–2014	2014–present

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