



Press release

State Visit of H.E. Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, the President of Federative Republic of Brazil to India (February 18-22, 2026)

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At the invitation of Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister of India, H.E. Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva, the President of Federative Republic of Brazil is scheduled to be in India for a State Visit from 18-22 February 2026. President Lula would be participating in the 2nd AI Impact Summit from 19-20 February. Both Prime Minister of India and the President of Brazil are scheduled to have a bilateral meeting on 21st February 2026.

2. During the State Visit of President Lula, Hon'ble Rashtrapathiji Smt Droupadi Murmu is expected to meet him, and would host a banquet in his honour. Hon'ble Vice President Shri C. P. Radhakrishnan and Hon'ble External Affairs Minister Dr. S. Jaishankar are envisaged to call on President Lula.

3. Prime Minister Modi would be meeting President of Brazil on 21 February 2026. Both leaders would be reviewing the entire gamut of bilateral relations. Prime Minister is scheduled to host a lunch in honour of the visiting dignitary. The two leaders would also be exchanging views on regional and global issues of mutual interest, including cooperation in multilateral fora, reformed multilateralism, global governance and issues concerning the Global South.

4. The President of Brazil is expected to be accompanied by about 14 Ministers and a large delegation of top CEOs of Brazilian companies. The accompanying Ministers would be having meetings with their Indian counterparts. The CEOs are expected to participate in a Business Forum being organised during the visit of the Brazilian President, reflecting the growing trade and commercial engagements between the two countries.

5. The forthcoming visit would be the sixth visit of President Lula to India. He had first visited India in 2004 as the Guest of Honour for Republic Day celebrations and last visited India for the G20 Summit in September 2023. Both Prime Minister Narendra Modi and President Lula have, however, been meeting frequently in between. It may be recalled that Prime Minister Modi was in Brasilia on a State Visit from 7-8 July 2025 which was the first State Visit by an Indian Prime Minister in the last 57 years. Both leaders also met in Johannesburg during G20, in November 2025.

6. India and Brazil share a warm, close and multi-faceted Strategic Partnership, rooted in shared democratic values, close people-to-people ties and expanding

cooperation across key sectors. The two large democracies are Strategic Partners since 2006. Brazil is India's largest trading partner in LAC region and bilateral engagement has continued to deepen in areas such as trade and investment, defence, energy, agriculture, health and pharmaceuticals, energy, including renewables, critical minerals, rare earth materials, science & technology and innovation, including in cooperation in the field of Digital Public Infrastructure (DPI) and AI, space and people-to-people linkages. The two countries share common views on various international issues, including UN reforms, climate change and combating terrorism.

7. The State Visit of President Lula will provide an opportunity for both sides to chart a forward-looking agenda for further strengthening bilateral Strategic Partnership and further deepen cooperation across bilateral, regional and global platforms, on issues of mutual interest.

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