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## Heads of important organizations

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- **President, FICCI** -NainaLalKidwai
- **Chairman, TRAI** - Rahul Khullar
- **Central Vigilance Commission (CVC)** -Pradeep Kumar
- **Director, CBI** -RanjitSinha
- **President, ASSOCHAM** -RajkumarDhoot
- **President, NASSCOM** -Som Mittal
- **Chairman, NASSCOM** -Krishna kumarNatarajan
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- **Secretary, Department of Atomic Energy (DAE)** - R K Sinha
- **Chief Information Commissioner (CIC)** -Satyanand Mishra
- **Chairman, National Film Development Corporation (NFDC)** - Ramesh Sippy
- **Chairman, ISRO** - Dr. K Radhakrishnan
- **Chairman, SEBI** - U K Sinha
- **Chairman, NABARD** -Dr.PrakashBakshi
- **Director, NCERT** - Prof. P Sinclair

## New Appointments

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- **Xi Jinping** - President of China
- **Li Keqiang** – Prime Minister China
- **Shinzo Abe** – prime minister Japan
- **NicosAnastasiades** – President Cyprus
- **Park Guen\_ hye** – president South Korea
- **Uhuru Kenyatta** – president Kenya
- **John Kerry** - 68th Secretary of State of the US
- **Mohan Pieris**- 44th Chief Justice of Sri Lanka
- **VedPrakash**- UGC chairman
- **Obama** - US President (Second Term)
- **Suchitra Ella** - Founding Chairwoman of CII's women wing
- **Mo Yan (writer)** and **Jackie Chan (Actor)** - New Members of Chinese Parliament
- **Subra Suresh** - President of Carnegie Mellon University
- **Ratan Tata** – Member of “National Academy of Engineering“
- **Rajiv Shah** – Head of United States Agency for International Development (USAID).
- **Anil Dev Singh** - New chief of IOA election panel
- **Scott Flemming** - India's basketball coach



- **Tony Hall** - Director general of BBC
- **RanjitSinha** - CBI Director
- **Barbosa** - First non-white President of Brazil's Supreme Court
- **Alok Joshi** - New RAW chief
- **Rajeev Shahare** - New High Commissioner to Maldives
- **Ajit Saran** - Member Secretary of National Commission for Women
- **Virbhadra Singh** - Himachal Pradesh's Chief Minister
- **NarendraModi**- Gujarat CM (4th time)
- **Cyrus Mistry** - Tata Group Chairman
- **Asif Ibrahim** - Chief of the Intelligence Bureau
- **Urjit Patel** - RBI deputy governor
- **YV Reddy** - Head of 14th Finance Commission
- **Ami Bera and TulsiGabbard** - new members of the US House of Representatives
- **Srinivasan**- Federal Judge (Re elected)
- **Vivek Rae** – MSME (Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises) Secretary
- **Anil Kumble** - Chairman of ICC Cricket Committee
- **JaspalRana** - Junior pistol chief coach
- **Neiphiu Rio** - Chief Minister of Nagaland (3rd Term)
- **MukulMandaSangma** - Chief Minister of Meghalaya (2nd Term)
- **Ashwani Kumar** - Governor of Nagaland
- **Bobby Ghosh** - Editor of Time International (first non American)
- **Khil Raj Regmi** - New Prime Minister of Nepal
- **D K Jain** - Chairman of 20th Law Commission of India
- **Ashok Tomar**- India's ambassador to Brazil
- **Rakesh Mohan** - Executive director of IMF board
- **VK Malhotra** - Archery Association President (re-elected)
- **S. Ramakrishnan** - Director of Vikram Sarabhai Space Centre (VSSC)
- **Luiz Felipe Scolari**- Brazil Football team coach
- **Mohan** - Vice president of IBSF (re-elected)
- **SachinDevPavithran (Visually Challenged)** - Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board member
- **AjitPawar**- Maharashtra Deputy CM
- **Chautala**- IOA President
- **ParthasarathyShome** - Adviser to Finance Minister
- **ZiauddinYousufzai** (Malala's Father) - UN Education Adviser, Education attache at the Pakistan consulate in Birmingham, England
- **Vijay Kumar** - Senior Security Adviser in Home Ministry
- **VinodRai**- Chair of UN Auditors Panel (Re-elected)



- **Rita Singh** - Federation of Indian Associations President
- **John Brennan** - CIA director
- **Halimah Yacob** - First woman Speaker of Singapore
- **Kulwant Singh Gill** - New Commandant of NDA
- **R.K. Dubey** - Canara Bank's new CMD
- **Rajkumar Goyal** - Central Bank of India new Executive Director Resources Department
- **Jack Lew** - New Treasury Secretary of US
- **Lord Dolar Popat** - Minister in the UK cabinet (First Gujarati in UK cabinet)
- **Subhash Joshi** - BSF Chief
- **John Kerry** - America's Foreign Minister
- **Smita Singh** - Member of Global Development Council

## Resigns and Retirements

- **Pope Benedict XVI** - Sovereign of the Vatican City State and leader of the Catholic Church
- **Ricky Ponting (Australia)** - international cricket
- **Yeddyurappa (former CM of Karnataka)** - BJP, Assembly
- **Cheick Modibo Diarra** - Mali Prime Minister (arrested by the army)
- **Michael Palmer** - Singapore Parliament Speaker
- **Michael Schumacher** - Formula One
- **Shirani Bandarnayake** - First Woman Chief Justice of Sri Lanka
- **Natwar Gandhi** - Chief Financial officer (CFO) of Washington DC
- **Rohinton Nariman** - Solicitor-General of India
- **Minister Imkong L. Imchen** - Nagaland Home Minister
- **David Petraeus** - American CIA Director
- **Ram Jethmalani** - BJP (Suspension due to 'indiscipline')
- **Vinod Singh** - UP Revenue Minister (involved in CMO abduction)
- **S M Krishna** - External Affairs Minister
- **Peter Gade** - Badminton Player (from International Career)
- **Arjun Munda** - Jharkhand CM.
- **Avigdor Lieberman** - Israeli Foreign Minister
- **Yoshihiko Noda** - Japan Prime Minister



## Deaths

- **Margaret Thatcher** - Britain's First and Only Lady Prime Minister (Iron Lady)
- **P. Shanmugam** - Former CM of Puducherry
- **Zhuang Zedong** - Table Tennis Legend (China)
- **Ronald Dworkin** - American Philosopher, Law Expert.
- **Radhakishan Malviya** - former Union Minister (MP)
- **Tilakam Gopal** - Former India Volleyball Captain
- **Leslie Claudius** - Hockey Player.
- **Tony Greig** - Former England Cricket Team Captain
- **M.S. Gopalakrishnan** - Violin Player
- **Mehnaz Begum** - Pakistani singer
- **Eric Hobsbawm** - Historian
- **Satyanarayana** - Freedom fighter, ex-Governor of Uttar Pradesh
- **Kevin Curran** - Zimbabwe cricket coach
- **Norodom Sihanouk** - Former King of Cambodia
- **Bandya Kakade** - Former Indian football goalkeeper
- **Yash Chopra** - Bollywood Producer (King of Romance)
- **Sunil Gangopadhyay** - Sahitya Akademi President
- **Yerram Naidu** - Former Rural Development Minister (Andhra Pradesh)
- **T. Samuel** - Cartoonist
- **Kailashpati Mishra** - BJP leader, Former Governor of Gujarat and Rajasthan
- **V P Murthy Raju** - Freedom fighter and Andhra Pradesh Minister
- **KC Pant** - Former Defence Minister and Dept Chairman of Planning Commission
- **Balasaheb Thackeray** - Shiv Sena Chief
- **Mohammed Ajmal Amir Kasab** - Terrorist of 26/11 attacks
- **Dr Joseph Murray** - Nobel winning Surgeon, Organ transplant pioneer
- **IK Gujral** - Former PM of India
- **Devendra Lal** - Geophysicist
- **Besse Cooper** - World's Oldest Woman
- **Yao Defen** - World's Tallest
- **Dina Manfredini** (115 Years) - World's Oldest Person
- **Dave Brubeck** - Jazz Composer & Pianist
- **Sir Patrick Moore** - British Astronomer and Broadcaster
- **Iajuddin Ahmed** - Ex-Bangladesh President
- **Pandit Ravi Shankar** - Sitarist (Bharat Ratna)
- **B B Nimbalkar** - Former Ranji Cricketer
- **Nityanand Swami** - First CM of Uttarakhand



- **Norman Joseph Woodland** – Co Creator of Barcode

## Summits

- **5<sup>th</sup>BRICS summit – South Africa** (enclosed complete details)
  - **Countries - Brazil, Russia, India, China, South-Africa.**
  - 5th Summit 2013(Next) -**South Africa**
- **ASEAN Summit-**
  - 21st - Phnom Penh (Combodia)
  - **22<sup>nd</sup> - Brunei – 24<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> April 2013**
- **G 8 Summit**
  - 38th Summit 2012 -**David camp, USA**
  - 39th Summit 2013 -**Lough Erne, Fermanagh, Northan Ireland** in June
- **G 20 Summit**
  - 7th Summit 2012 – **Los Kabos, Mexico**
  - 8th Summit 2013-**St. Petersburg, Russia**
- **NAM(Non-Aligned Movement ) Summit**
  - **16th Summit- Tehran(Iran)**
  - 26-31 August at Attended By(India)-**Prime Minister**
  - **Theme-** Lasting Peace through Joint Global Governance.
  - **Country-**120,**New-Fiji, Azerbaijan**
  - 17th Summit - In 2015- **Venezuela**
- **SCO Summit**
  - 12th Summit 2012-**Beijing**
  - Attended by-**SM Krishna**(Forgien Minister)
  - 13th Summit 2013-**Kyrgyzstan**
- United Nation conference on SustanableDevlopment- **Rio de Janeiro**
- World Economic Forum – **Davos** (Switzerland)
- World Polio Summit 2012 - **New Delhi**
- FM Trilateral Talks(China& India & Russia)-**Moscow**
- 11th Energy Efficiency Summit organized by (CII – Confederation of Indian Industries) – **Hyderabad**
- Emerging Kerala investment meet – Kochi
- Nato Summit-**Chikago**
- Arab summit 2012 - **Baghdad (Iraq)**
- World Economic Forum Summit 2012 Nov-**Gurgaon(Haryana)**
- 20th ASEAN Meeting 2012 – **Phnom penh, Cambodia**
- 10th BASIC Summit - **New Delhi**
- Earth Summit - **-Rio de Janeiro**
- 5th OPEC at vienna, Austria





- 9th World Hindi Conference - Johannesburg
- The international biodiversity meet – Hyderabad
- Asia Co-operation Dialogue Summit – Kuwait
- 23<sup>rd</sup> APEC Russia 2012 Summit - Russky Island (Russia)
- 5th IBSA 2013-India
- Nuclear security summit
  - 2nd Summit 2012 – **Seoul (South Korea)**,
  - 3rd Summit 2014 - **Netherlands**
- 45th ADB 2013 at India
- UN biodiversity meet in 2014 - South Korea
- Nuclear summit 2012 at seoul, southkorea, 2014 at netherlands
- Third Worldwide Cybersecurity Summit - New Delhi
- Indian National Science Academy Summit – New Delhi
- First ASEAN-India Ministerial Meeting on cooperation in Renewable Energy – New Delhi
- 7th East Asia Summit - Phnom Penh (Cambodia)
- 7th SAARC 2012 at kathamandu, Nepal

## Visitors to India

- **Rajkeswur Purryag (Mauritius President)** – As a chief guest of PravasiBharatiya Divas .He attended the 3 days event 11th PravasiBharatiya Divas held in Kochi (Kerala).
- **Jigme Khesar Namgyel Wangchuck (Bhutan King)** – Chief Guest of India's Republic Day celebrations
- **Jigmi Y. Thinley (Bhutan Prime Minister)** - To discuss the developmental issues of Bhutan with the Indian leadership, and sought financial assistance for the 11th five year plan of his country.
- **Francois Hollande (France's President)** – To discuss the sale of Rafale fighter jets , bilateral issues , after signed the both nations on several agreements .
- **David Cameron (Britain's PM)** – To attend India – Britain delegations meeting in Mumbai and to discuss bilateral and global issues.
- **Viktor Yanukovych (Ukrainian President)** – To sign 5 agreements to improve bilateral relations.
- **Tim Geithner (U.S. Treasury Secretary)** - To participate in the third annual meeting of the U.S.-India Economic and Financial Partnership with Finance Minister P. Chidambaram.
- **Julia Gillard (Australia PM)** - To announce negotiations on civil nuclear co-operation



- **SuuKyi (Myanmar's Opposition leader)** – To deliver the prestigious Jawaharlal Nehru Memorial Lecture in New Delhi on November 14.
- **Steven Joyce (Minister for Tertiary Education, New Zealand)** – To visit Indian Institute of Foreign Trade (IIFT), New Delhi
- **Begum Khaleda Zia** - To meet PM Manmohan Singh
- **William Hague** (Secretary of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs of UK) – To discuss bilateral, regional and international issues of mutual interest with External Affairs Minister, Mr Salman Khurshid
- **Stephen Harper (PM of Canada)** – To sign several agreements including Civil Nuclear Deal, Social Security Agreement, a Memorandum of Understanding for Cooperation in Information Technology and electronics and an agreement to boost bilateral cooperation in Defense Science and Technology.
- **Hamid Karzai (Afghanistan President)** – Casual visit
- **Rehman Malik (Pakistan's Interior Minister)** – To sign on new visa agreement.
- **Putin (Russian President)** – To sign a series of pacts on defense cooperation and reached consensus to develop economic and trade relations.
- **RazaParvez Ashraf (Pakistan Prime Minister)** – Paid visit to 13<sup>th</sup> century Ajmirdargah.
- **Mohamed Morsy (Egypt president)** – signed agreement for cooperation in defense, trade and commerce.

## Visitors to Other Countries

- **Prime Minister Manmohan Singh** - Cambodia for South Asian summits
- **Barack Obama**- first US presidential visit to Burma - To attend the ASEAN and East Asia Summits.
- **KhaledMeshaal (Palestinian Hamas leader)** – Gaza – To attend a commemoration of the 25th anniversary of the founding of Hamas and a victory celebration. He visited southern Gaza strip through Egypt's Rafah border crossing over for the first time in 45 years.
- **Vice President Hamid Ansari**- Vietnam – To meet Vietnam's Deputy Prime Minister Vu Van Ninh to discuss bilateral issues. Also attended the closing ceremony of the the 40th anniversary of the India-Vietnam diplomatic ties.
- **President Pranab Mukherjee** visited Mauritius and issued joint statement on double taxation avoidance treaty after meeting with prime minister Naveen Ram Goolam





## Heads of Constitutional and other Important Bodies

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- **Speaker of Lok Sabha** – Ms.Meera Kumar
- **Dy. Speaker of Lok Sabha** – KariaMunda
- **Chairman of Rajya Sabha** – Dr. Hamid Ansari (Vice President of India)
- **Dy. Chairman of Rajya Sabha** – P.J.Kurien
- **Chief justice of India (CJI)** – AltamasKabir
- **Attorney general**–G.E. Vahanavathi
- **Solicitor general** – Mohan Parasaran
- **Comptroller and Auditor General (CAG)**–VinodRai
- **Chief Election Commissioner** – V.S. Sampath
- **Other election commissioners**
  - Harishankar Brahma
  - Syed Nasim Ahmed Zaidi
- **Dy.Chairman Planning Commission** – MonteksinghAhluwalia
- **Governor RBI** – Dr.DuvvuriSubbarao
- **Cabinet Secretary** – A.K. Seth
- **Finance Secretary** – Rajiv Thakur
- **Foreign Secretary** – RanjanMathai
- **National Security Advisor**–Shiv SankarMenon
- **Economic Advisor to PM** – K. RangaRajan
- **Chairman National Knowledge Commission** – Sam Pitroda
- **Chairman of UPSC** –D.P.Agarwal
- **Chairman Finance Commission (14th )** – Y. V. Reddy
- **National Human Rights Commission (NHRC)** – K G Bala Krishnan
- **National Commission for Women (NCW)** – Mamatha Sharma
- **National Commission for Minorities** – WajahatHabibullah
- **National Commission for SCs** – Dr.Buta Singh
- **National Commission for STs** – Ms.Urmila Singh
- **National Commission for BCs** –M N Rao
- **National Commission for Protection of Child Rights (NCPCR)** – V ShanthaSinha
- **Chairman of University Grants Commission (UGC)** – Prof. Veda Prakash

## BRICS Summits

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In the context of **BRICS** (**B**razil, **R**ussia, **I**ndia, **C**hina and **S**outh Africa) meeting at Durban, South Africa, it's pertinent here to discuss about it's history.

### History of BRICS Summit

In Goldman Sachs' report in 2001 "Building Better Global economic BRICs", Jim O' Neill coined the acronym BRIC for the first time by saying that these four countries could become major economies by 2030. Eventually, first BRIC summit was held at Yekaterinburg, Russia in



2009. Before that foreign ministers of these countries met at New York in 2006. Later summits of these countries are

Summit	Participants	Date	Host country	Host leader	Location
1 <sup>st</sup>	BRIC	June 16, 2009	Russia	Dmitry Medvedev	Yekaterinburg
2 <sup>nd</sup>	BRIC	April 16, 2010	Brazil	Luiz Inácio Lula da Silva	Brasília
3 <sup>rd</sup>	BRICS	April 14, 2011	China	Hu Jintao	Sanya
4 <sup>th</sup>	BRICS	March 29, 2012	India	Manmohan Singh	New Delhi
5 <sup>th</sup>	BRICS	March 26–27, 2013	South Africa	Jacob Zuma	Durban

The rainbow institution BRIC became more colourful with the introduction of South Africa at Sanya, China in 2011. Now it became BRICS.

### Highlights of BRICS Summit 2013

The BRICS Summit for the year 2013 was hosted by South Africa 26th to 27th March 2013 at the International Convention Centre (ICC), Durban (South Africa). Attended by the heads of the five member states **Brazil**, **Russia**, **India**, **China** and **South Africa**. This was the Fifth summit and this completed the first cycle of BRICS summits. This meet concluded on 27 March at Durban (South Africa). Following are the issues discussed during this summit.

- BRICS countries accepted to establish BRICS bank to fund infrastructure projects of these nations. However, countries failed to achieve consensus on quantum of seed money. China wanted it to be \$100 billion which is to be contributed equally by the member nations. This issue will be resolved by the officials and ministers and will be reviewed at St. Petersburg, on the side lines of G-20 summit in September.
- They sought for Director General for WTO (World Trade Organisation) from developing world.
- To set up a \$100 billion fund to guard themselves against currency fluctuations.
- Called for reorientation of UNCTAD (UN Conference on Trade and Development).
- BRICS reiterated the need for Comprehensive Convention on Terrorism.
- EThekweni (DURBAN) declaration dwelt more on the issue of Syria where Russia is supporting president Bashar al-Assad.
- Unit 1 of Kudankulam reactor (Tamil Nadu) will be operationalized next month, PM Manmohan Singh told Russian president Vladimir Putin at their meet on side lines of BRICS.
- PM Manmohan Singh met with Chinese president Xi Jinping. It's the first highlevel meet after the change of leadership in China.



## Awards

- **SaraswatiSamman (2012)** - RohitGautam for Bang Bhoomi
- **SaraswatiSamman (2013)** - Sugathakumari for the collection of her poems, titled 'Manalezhuthu.'
- **Moorti Devi Award (2012)** - Gopi Chand Narang
- **BihariPuraskar (2012)** - Hari Ram Meena for Dhooni Tape Teer (Hindi Novel)
- **VyasSamman (2012)** - NarendraKohli for his novel "NA BHOOTO NA BHAVISHYATI"
- **Nobel Peace Prize (Nominatoin)** - MalalaYousafzai
- **Skoda Art Prize 2012** - L. N. Tallur
- **UN Peace Award** - Emeritus ParideTaban (South Sudan's Bishop)
- **Lifetime Achievement Grammy award** - Pandit Ravi Shankar
- **National e-Governance award** - Madhya Pradesh
- **'Commandeur de la Legion d'Honneur' Award (France)** - AmartyaSen
- **2012 World Press Photo Award** - Paul Hansen (Swedish photographer)
- **Indira Gandhi Peace Prize** - Ela Bhatt
- **Ernst & Young Lifetime Achievement Award** - Ratan Tata
- **2012 Tipperary International Peace Award** - MalalaYousafzai
- **Simone de Beauvoir (France)** - MalalaYousafzai
- **International Association of Educators for World Peace (IAEWP) Award** - NabamTuki
- **Jnanpith Award 2011** - Pratibha Ray
- **Education Nobel Prize('WISE Prize')** - DrMadhavChavan
- **Kyoto Prize** - GayatriChakravorty
- **International Scientific Cooperation Award 2012** - Prof C N R Rao
- **Tang Prize (Asian Noble Prize)** launched by Samuel Yin
- **Billboard's "Woman of the Year"** - Katy Perry
- **Morocco's Medal of Honour** - Shah Rukh Khan
- **Yuri Milner Award** - Stephen Hawking
- **Order of Canada Award** - VenkateshMannar
- **Man Booker Prize 2012**- Hilary Mantel (1st woman and the first british author to be a 2 time winner)
- **Indira Gandhi Peace Prize Disarmament and Development 2010**- Lula Da Silva(Brazilian President)
- **Indira Gandhi Peace Prize 2012** - Ellen Johnson Sirleaf(Liberian President and Nobel laureate)
- **Seoul Peace Award**-Bank Ki Moon
- **Rajiv Gandhi KhelRatna award**- Vijay Kumar and YogeshwarDutt
- **DadasahebPhalke Award 2011** - SoumitraChatterjee (Bengali actor)
- **Life time achievement award at 8th Dubai International film festival** – A.R. Rahman
- **International Gandhi Award**-Dr. CaireVeult& Dr. J.D. Samant



- **World Food Prize**- Dr. Daniel Hillel(Israeli Scientist)
- **Tata Literature first book award**-Ruchir Sharma
- **Abel Prize** -EedreSzemereredi(Hungry Mathematician)
- **RGN Sadbhavana Award**-D.R. Mehta
- **Indusharma Katha Samman**-PradeepSaurabh(Book- 'TeesriTali')
- **Best Banker Prize Award** – Jammu & Kashmir Bank
- **Castrol Lifetime Achievement Award** – AjitWadekar
- **ShikshaRatna Award** - AN Purohit
- **C K Naidu Lifetime Achievement award** - Sunil Gavaskar
- **BCCI Polly Umrigar Award**-ViratKohli
- **European Golden Boot Award**- Lionel Messi
- **Indira Gandhi National Integration award**-Gulzar

## 63<sup>rd</sup> Berlin Film Festival Awards

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- **Best Film**- Child's Pose ( Romania )
- **Best Actor**-NazifMujic in "Life of an Iron Picker" (Bosnia/France/Slovenia)
- **Best Actress**- Paulina Garcia in "Gloria" (Chile/Spain)
- **Best Director**- David Gordon Green for "Prince Avalanche" (US)
- **Best ScreenPlay**-JafarPanahi for "Parde"(Closed Curtain) Iran.

## 66<sup>th</sup>BAFTA Film Awards 2013

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### History of BAFTA Awards -

The British Academy Film awards hosted by BAFTA (British Academy of Film and Television Arts) which was founded in 1947 as The British Film Academy. In 1958, the Academy merged with The Guild of Television Producers and Directors to form The Society of Film and Television, which eventually became The British Academy of Film and Television Arts in 1976. In addition to high profile awards ceremonies BAFTA runs a year-round programme of educational events including film screenings and tribute evenings.

### 66<sup>th</sup> BAFTA Awards Winners List -

The 66th British Academy Film Awards (also known as the British Oscars) took place on 10<sup>th</sup> February 2013 at The Royal Opera House in London, England. Here is the detailed list of winners.

- **BEST FILM** - Argo
- **OUTSTANDING BRITISH FILM** - Skyfall



- **OUTSTANDING DEBUT BY A BRITISH WRITER, DIRECTOR OR PRODUCER** - Bart Layton (Director), Dimitri Doganis (Producer) *The Imposter*
- **FILM NOT IN THE ENGLISH LANGUAGE** - *Amour*
- **DOCUMENTARY** - *Searching For Sugar Man*
- **ANIMATED FILM** - *Brave*
- **DIRECTOR** - Ben Affleck – *Argo*
- **ORIGINAL SCREENPLAY** - Quentin Tarantino – *Django Unchained*
- **ADAPTED SCREENPLAY** - David O. Russell – *Silver Linings Playbook*
- **LEADING ACTOR** - Daniel Day-Lewis – *Lincoln*
- **LEADING ACTRESS** - Emmanuelle Riva – *Amour*
- **SUPPORTING ACTOR** - Christoph Waltz – *Django Unchained*
- **SUPPORTING ACTRESS** - Anne Hathaway – *Les Misérables*
- **ORIGINAL MUSIC** - *Skyfall* – Thomas Newman
- **CINEMATOGRAPHY** - *Life Of Pi*
- **EDITING** - *Argo*
- **PRODUCTION DESIGN** - *Les Misérables*
- **COSTUME DESIGN** - *Anna Karenina*
- **MAKE UP & HAIR** - *Les Misérables*
- **SOUND** - *Les Misérables*
- **SPECIAL VISUAL EFFECTS** - *Life Of Pi*
- **SHORT ANIMATION** - *The Making Of Longbird*
- **SHORT FILM** - *Swimmer*
- **THE EE RISING STAR AWARD (voted for by the public)** - Juno Temple

## 70th Golden Globe Awards Winners List 2013

The 70th annual Golden Globes awards ceremony was held in Hollywood on January 13<sup>th</sup> 2013, hosted by Tina Fey and Amy Poehler. Here is the detailed list of winners.

### Motion Picture -

- **Director** - Ben Affleck, '*Argo*.'
- **Actor, Drama** - Daniel Day-Lewis, '*Lincoln*.'
- **Actress, Drama** - Jessica Chastain, '*Zero Dark Thirty*.'
- **Actor, Musical or Comedy** - Hugh Jackman, '*Les Misérables*.'
- **Actress, Musical or Comedy** - Jennifer Lawrence, '*Silver Linings Playbook*.'
- **Supporting Actor** - Christoph Waltz, '*Django Unchained*.'
- **Supporting Actress** - Anne Hathaway, '*Les Misérables*.'





- **Foreign Language** - 'Amour.'
- **Animated Film** - 'Brave.'
- **Screenplay** - Quentin Tarantino, 'Django Unchained.'
- **Original Score** - Mychael Danna, 'Life of Pi.'
- **Original Song** - 'Skyfall' (music and lyrics by Adele and Paul Epworth), 'Skyfall.'

#### Television

- **Actor, Drama** - Damian Lewis, 'Homeland.'
- **Actress, Drama** - Claire Danes, 'Homeland.'
- **Series, Drama** - 'Homeland.'
- **Actor, Musical or Comedy** - Don Cheadle, 'House of Lies.'
- **Actress, Musical or Comedy** - Lena Dunham, 'Girls.'
- **Series, Musical or Comedy** - 'Girls.'
- **Miniseries or Movie** - 'Game Change.'
- **Actress, Miniseries or Movie** - Julianne Moore, 'Game Change.'
- **Actor, Miniseries or Movie** - Kevin Costner, 'Hatfields & McCoy's.'
- **Supporting Actress, Series, Miniseries or Movie** - Maggie Smith, 'Downton Abbey.'
- **Supporting Actor, Series, Miniseries or Movie** - Ed Harris, 'Game Change.'

### 85<sup>th</sup> Oscar Awards Winners List

The 85th Oscar Awards ceremony for the year 2013 (also known as Academy Awards) was held on 24th February 2013 at the Dolby Theater in Hollywood, California. The ceremony was hosted by Seth MacFarlane. Here is the Complete list.

- **Best picture**- "Argo"
- **Best director**- Ang Lee, "Life of Pi"
- **Best leading actor**- Daniel Day-Lewis in "Lincoln"
- **Best leading actress**- Jennifer Lawrence in "Silver Linings Playbook"
- **Best supporting actor**- Christoph Waltz in "Django Unchained"
- **Best supporting actress**- Anne Hathaway in "Les Misérables"
- **Best foreign language film**- "Amour" (Love)
- **Best animated feature**- "Brave"
- **Best original screenplay**- Quentin Tarantino, "Django Unchained"
- **Best adapted screenplay**- Chris Terrio, "Argo"
- **Best original score**- "Life of Pi"





- **Best original song-** "Skyfall," music and lyrics by Adele and Paul Epworth
- **Best production design-** "Lincoln"
- **Best cinematography-** "Life of Pi"
- **Best costume design-** "Anna Karenina"
- **Best documentary feature-** "Searching for Sugar Man"
- **Best documentary short-** "Inocente"
- **Best film editing-** "Argo"
- **Best makeup-** "Les Miserables"
- **Best short animated film-** "Paperman"
- **Best short live action film-** "Curfew"
- **Best sound editing-** "Zero Dark Thirty"
- **Best sound mixing-** "Les Miserables"
- **Best visual effects-** "Life of Pi"

## 60<sup>th</sup> National Film Awards Winners List

India's prestigious Film Awards, National Film Awards for the year 2012 were announced on 18th March in New Delhi in a joint Press Conference addressed by the Chairpersons of the three juries, ShriBasuChatterjee (Feature Films), Ms. ArunaRaje (Non-Feature Films) and ShriSwapanMullick (Best Writing on Cinema). Here is the detailed winners list.

- **Best Actor-** Irfan Khan for Pan Singh Tomar and VikramGokhale for Anumati(Marathi).
- **Best Actress-** UshaJadhav for Marathi film 'Dhag'.
- **Best Hindi Feature Film -** - Paan Singh Tomar.
- **Best Film for Wholesome Entertainment-** Vicky Donor & Ustad Hotel (Malayalam).
- **Best Special Effects -** Eega (Telugu)
- **Best Non-Feature Film-** Shepherd's of Paradise.
- **Best Film on Environment-** Black Forest (Malayalam).
- **Best Telugu film -** Eega
- **3rd Best Tamil film -** Vazhakku En 18/9
- **Best Hindi Film -** Filmistan
- **Best Investigative Film -** Inshallah Kashmir
- **Best Playback Singer-** Shankar for Bolo Na (Chittagong).
- **Best Song-** Bolo Na (Chittagong).
- **Best Choreography -**BirjuMaharaj (Viswaroopam).
- **Best Art direction-** LalgudiIlayaraja (Viswaroopam).



- **Best Original Screenplay** - Sujoy Ghosh (Kahaani).
- **Best Dialogue Writer** - Anjali Menon (Ustad Hotel).
- **Best Sound Recording** - Gangs of Wasseypur.
- **Best Direction** - Shivaji Lotan Patil (Dhag - Marathi Film).
- **Best Editing** - Celluloid Man (Non-feature section).
- **Best Makeup Artist** - Raja (Vazahkku En 18/9).
- **Best Costume Designer** - Poornima (Paradesi).
- **Best Supporting Actor** - Annu Kapoor (Vicky Donor').
- **Best Supporting Actress** - Dolly Ahluwalia (Vicky Donor).
- **Best Film on Social Issues** - Spirit (Malayalam).
- **Special jury mention** - Parineeti Chopra (Ishaqzaade), Tanishta Chatterjee (Dekh Indian Circus) and Nawazuddin Siddhique (4 films).

## 58<sup>th</sup> Filmfare Awards Winners List

The 58th Film Fare awards held on 20th January at YRF Studios. Here is the Complete List of Winners.

<b>Best Actor</b>	Ranbir Kapoor (Barfi!)
<b>Best Actress</b>	Vidya Balan ( Kahaani)
<b>Best Film</b>	Barfi!
<b>Best Director</b>	Sujoy Ghosh (Kahaani)
<b>Best Dialogue</b>	Anurag Kashyap, Akhilesh Jaiswal, Sachin K Ladia, Zeishan Qadri (Gangs of Wasseypur)
<b>Best Screenplay</b>	Sanjay Chouhan & Tigmanshu Dhulia (Paan Singh Tomar)
<b>Best Story</b>	Juhi Chaturvedi (Vicky Donor)
<b>Best Supporting Actor (Male)</b>	Annu Kapoor (Vicky Donor)
<b>Best Supporting Actor (Female)</b>	Anushka Sharma (Jab Tak Hai Jaan)
<b>Best Music Director</b>	Pritam (Barfi!)
<b>Best Lyrics</b>	Gulzar (Challa), Jab Tak Hai Jaan
<b>Best Playback (Male)</b>	Ayushmann Khurrana (Paani Da Rang) (Vicky Donor)
<b>Best Playback (Female)</b>	Shalmali Kholgade (Pareshaan) ( Ishaqzaade)
<b>RD Burman Award For Upcoming Talent In Music</b>	Neeti Mohan (Jiya Re) (Jab Tak Hai Jaan)
<b>Lifetime Achievement Award</b>	Yash Chopra
<b>Sony Trendsetter Of The Year</b>	Barfi!
<b>Best Debut (Male)</b>	Ayushmann Khurrana (Vicky Donor)
<b>Best Debut (Female)</b>	Ileana D'Cruz (Barfi!)
<b>Best Debut (Director)</b>	Gauri Shinde (English Vinglish)



### Winners of Filmfare Critics Awards-

Critics' Award for Best Actor (Male)	Irrfan Khan (Paan Singh Tomar)
Critics' Award for Best Actor (Female)	Richa Chadda (Gangs of Wasseypur)
Critics' Award for Best Film	Gangs of Wasseypur

### Winners of Filmfare Technical Awards -

Best Action	Sham Kaushal (Gangs Of Wasseypur)
Best Cinematography	Setu (Kahaani)
Best Editing	Namrata Rao (Kahaani)
Best Production Design	Rajat Podar (Barfi!)
Best Sound Design	Sanjay Maurya & Allwin Rego (Kahaani)
Best Costume Design	Manoshi Nath & Rushi Sharma (Shanghai)
Best Choreography	Bosco-Caesar (Auntie Ji - Ek Main Aur Ekk Tu)
Best Background Score	Pritam (Barfi!)

## Padma Award winners List 2013

The President of India Pranab Mukherjee has approved the conferment of **Padma Awards for the year 2013**. There are **108 Personalities from various fields** have been selected for the Padma Awards. Padma Bhushan, India's third highest civilian award, will be given to Late actor Rajesh Khanna, Late satirist Jaspal Bhatti, actor Sharmila Tagore, Adi Godrej, boxing champion and Olympic bronze medal winner Mary Kom, cricketer Rahul Dravid. Here is the Complete List of Padma Award winners for the year 2013.

### Padma Vibhushan Award Winners

- Prof Roddam Narasimha, Science and Engineering
- Raghunath Mohapatra, Art
- S Haider Raza, Art
- Prof Yash Pal, Science and Engineering

### Padma Bhushan Award Winners

- Abdul Rashid Khan, Art
- Late Rajesh Khanna, Art
- Late Jaspal Singh Bhatti, Art
- Dr Ramanaidu Daggubati, Art
- Sreeramamurthy Janaki, Art
- Dr (Smt) Kanak Rele, Art
- Sharmila Tagore, Art



- Dr (Smt) Saroja Vaidyanathan, Art
- Shivajirao Girdhar Patil, Public Affairs
- Dr Apathukatha Sivathanu Pillai, Science, Engineering
- Dr Vijay Kumar Saraswat, Science and Engineering
- Dr Ashoke Sen, Science and Engineering
- BN Suresh, Science and Engineering
- Prof Satya N Atluri, Science and Engineering
- Prof Jogesh Chandra Pati, Science and Engineering
- Padma Bhushan
- Ramamurthy Thyagarajan, Trade and Industry
- Adi Burjor Godrej, Trade and Industry
- Dr Nandkishore Shamrao Laud, Medicine
- Mangesh Padgaonkar, Literature and Education
- Prof Gayatri Chakravorty Spivak, Literature & Education
- Hemendra Singh Panwar, Civil Service
- Maharaj Kishan Bhan, Civil Service
- Rahul Dravid, Sports
- H Mangte Chungneijang Mary Kom, Sports

### Padma Shree Award Winners

- Gajam Anjaiah, Art
- Swami GCD Bharti alias Bharati Bandhu, Art
- B Jayashree, Art
- Sridevi, Art
- Kailash Chandra Meher, Art
- Brahmdeo Ram Pandit, Art
- Nana Patekar, Art, Maharashtra
- R Nageswara Rao alias Surabhi Babji, Art
- Lakshmi Narayana Sathiraju, Art
- Jaymala Shiledar, Art
- Suresh Dattatray Talwalkar, Art
- P Madhavan Nair alias Madhu, Art
- Apurba Kishore Bir, Art
- Ghanakanta Bora Borbayan, Art
- Hilda Mit Lepcha, Art
- Sudha Malhotra, Art
- Ghulam Mohammad Saznawaz, Art
- Ramesh Gopaldas Sippy, Art
- Mahrukh Tarapor, Art
- Balwant Thakur, Art
- Puran Das Baul, Art
- Rajendra Tikku, Art
- Pablo Bartholomew, Art
- Shri S Shakir Ali, Art
- SKM Maeilanandhan, Social Work



- Nileema Mishra, Social Work
- ReemaNanavati, Social Work
- JharnaDharaChowdhury, Social Work
- Late Dr Ram Krishan, Social Work
- Late Manju Bharat Ram, Social Work
- Prof MustansirBarma, Science and Engineering
- AvinashChander, Science and Engineering
- Sanjay GovindDhande, Science and Engineering
- Prof (Dr) Sankar Kumar Pal, Science
- Deepak B Phatak, Science and Engineering
- DrMudundi Ramakrishna Raju, Science and Engg
- Prof Ajay K Sood, Science and Engineering
- Prof KrishnaswamyVijayraghavan, Science & Engg
- DrManindraAgrawal, Science and Engineering
- DrJayaramanGowrishankar, Science & Engineering
- Prof SharadPandurang Kale, Science & Engineering
- VandanaLuthra, Trade and Industry
- RajshreePathy, Trade and Industry
- Hemendra Prasad Barooah, Trade and Industry
- MilindKamble, Trade and Industry
- KalpanaSaroj, Trade and Industry
- DrSudarshan K Aggarwal, Medicine
- Dr C Venkata S Ram alias Chitta, VenkataSundara Ram, Medicine
- DrRajendraAchyutBadwe, Medicine
- DrTaraprasad Das, Medicine
- Prof (Dr) T V Devarajan, Medicine
- Prof (Dr) SarojChooramaniGopal, Medicine
- DrPramod Kumar Julka, Medicine
- DrGulshanRaiKhatri, Medicine
- Dr Ganesh Kumar Mani, Medicine
- DrAmitPrabhakarMaydeo, Medicine
- DrSundaramNatarajan, Medicine
- Prof Krishna Chandra Chuneekar, Medicine
- DrVishwa Kumar Gupta, Medicine
- Prof (Capt) Dr M Sharaf-eAlam, Literature & Education
- DrRadhikaHerzberger, Literature & Education
- J Malsawma, Literature and Education
- Devendra Patel, Literature & Education
- Dr Rama Kant Shukla, Literature & Education
- Prof AkhtarulWasey, Literature & Education
- Prof AnvitaAbbi, Literature & Education
- NidaFazli, Literature & Education
- Surender Kumar Sharma, Literature & Education
- DrJagdish Prasad Singh, Literature & Education
- Late ShaukatRiazKapoor Alias SalikLakhnawi, Literature & Education
- Prof Noboru Karashima, Literature & Education



- Christopher Pinney, Literature & Education
- PremlataAgrawal, Sports
- YogeshwarDutt, Sports
- HosanagaraNagarajegowdaGirisha, Sports
- Subedar Major Vijay Kumar, Sports
- NgangomDingko Singh, Sports
- NaibSubedarBajrangLaTakhar, Sports
- Ritu Kumar, Fashion Designing
- DrRavindra Singh Bisht, Archaeology

## Krishi Karman Awards 2011-2012

The Krishikarman awards were presented to the State Governments on 15 January by our President Pranab Mukherjee for their excellent performance in increasing the production of food grains in their respective states. Here is the Complete List

- **Awards for Special Contribution to Total Food Grains Production** - Madhya Pradesh, Tamil Nadu, Manipur and Nagaland
- **Award for Contribution to Production and Productivity of Rice** – Bihar
- **Award for Contribution to Production and Productivity of Wheat** - Haryana
- **Award for Contribution to Production and Productivity of Pulses** - Jharkhand
- **Award for Contribution to Production and Productivity of Coarse Cereals** – Uttar Pradesh

## Beauty Contests

- **50<sup>th</sup> Ponds Femina Miss India 2013** – NavneetKaurDhillon
- **Miss India Earth 2013**– ShobhitaDhulipala
- **Miss India International 2013** – ZoyaAfroz
- **Miss Universe 2012** – Olivia Culpo
- **Miss World 2012** – Wenxia Yu
- **Miss Asia Paisific** – Himangini Singh
- **Miss India Fiji 2012** - Sheryl Kumar





## Sports

- **Malaysian Open Badminton Championship**
  - Men's Singles - Lee Chong Wei (Indonesia)
  - Men's Doubles-MohdAhsan (Indonesia) -HendraSetiawan (China)
  - Women's Singles- Tai Tzu-ying (Thailand)
  - Women's Doubles-BaoYixin-Tian Qing (China)
- **Australian Open 2013**
  - Men's Singles – Novak Djokovic (Serbia)
  - Women's Singles – Victoria Azarenka (Belarus)
  - Men's Doubles – Bob Bryan (America) and Mike Bryan (America)
  - Women's Doubles – Sara Errani (Italy) and Roberta Vinci (Italy)
- **US Open 2012**
  - Men Single- Andy Murray(Britain) bt Novak Djokovic(Serbia)
  - Women Single-Serena Williams bt Victoria Azarenka
  - Women Double- Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci(Italy)
- **French Open**
  - Men Single- Rafael Nadal(Spain) bt Novak Djokovic(Serbia)
  - Men Double-Max Mirnyi(Belarus) and Danial Nestor(Canada)bt Bob and Mike Bryan(USA)
  - Women Double- Sara Errani and Roberta Vinci(Italy) bt Maria Kirileko and Nadia Petrova(Russia)
- **Wimbledon 2012**
  - Men Singles - Roger Federer bt Andy Murray
  - Women Singles - Serena Williams btAgnieszkaRadwanska
  - Men Doubles - Jonathan Marray and Frederik Nielsen bt Robert Lindstedt and HoriaTecu
  - Women Doubles - Serena Williams and Venus Williams bt Andrea Hlavackova and Lucie Hradecka
  - Mixed Doubles Mike Bryan and Lisa Raymond bt Leander Paes-Elena Vesnina
- **Brisbane International Tennis – 2013**
  - Womens Single's - Serena Williams (USA)
  - Men's Singles - Andy Murray from (Scotland)
  - Women's Doubles -SaniaMirza and BethanieMattek-Sands
  - Men's Doubles - Marcelo Melo and Tommy Robredo
- **6th World Carrom World Cup-**
  - Winner- India Runner- Sri Lanka
  - Asian Kabbadi Championship
  - Winner- Pakistan
  - Runner- India



- **Davis Cup 2012 -**
  - Winner- Czech Republic Runner- Spain
  - Champions League T-20
  - Winner-Sydney Sixers Runner-Highveld Lions
- **52nd National Open Athletics Championships 2012 -**
  - Venue – Chennai
  - Winner - Railways Runner up – Services
- **U-19 World Cup 2012**
  - Venue-Australia
  - Winner-India ;Runner-Australia
  - Man of The Match-Unmukt Chand(Indian Captain)
- **Azlan Shah cup -**
  - Venue- Malaysia
  - Winner-NZ; Runner-Argentina; 3rd Place-India
- **Thailand Open Grand Prix Single**
  - Venue-Bangkok; Winner-SainaNehwal
  - Runner-RatchanokInathon(thiland)
- **Indonesia Open Single**
  - Venue- Jakarta; Winner-SainaNehwal
  - Runner -Li Xuerui(China)
- **Euro Cup-2012**
  - Venue- Poland And Ukraine; Winner-Spain; Runner-Italy
- **Cincinnati Masters**
  - Men Single- Roger Federer bt Novak Djokovic
  - Women Single- Li Na bt Angelique Kerber (Germany)
- **74th National Table Tennis Championship**
  - Mens Singles - Soumyajit (youngest national champion)
  - Womens Singles - ShaminiKumaresan
  - Mens Doubles – Sourav Chakraborty and GaneshanSathiyam
  - Women doubles - K. Spoorthy and NikhatBanu
- **Swiss Athletes of the Year 2012**
  - Roger Federer (Men)
  - Nicola Spirig (Women)
- Fastest Indian Debut Scorer in Test Century – **ShikharDhawan (in 85 balls)**
- First four-time winner of the FIFA Player of the Year award - **Lionel Messi**
- U-20 hockey women hockey National Championship - **Haryana**
- 61st National Volleyball Championship - **Kerala**
- CEAT ” International Cricketer of the Year” – **ViratKohli**
- 63rd National Basketball Championship winner - **Uttarakhand**
- Kabaddi Worldcup 2012 - **India**



- AIFF Player of the Year 2012 - **Syed Rahim Nabi**
- Sachin Retired From One Day Cricket on **23rd December 2012**
- World Tennis Championship - **Novak Djokovic**
- ATP Chennai Open Tennis - **Janko Tipsarevic (Serbia)**
- Tata Steel Chess Championship - **Magnus Carlsen**
- 40th Ranji Trophy winner – **Mumbai**
- Davis Cup Commitment Trophy - **Leander Paes and Jaideep Mukherjee**
- Graeme Smith (South Africa) completed his **100th Test** against Pakistan
- Dubai Tennis Championship Title - **Sania Mirza**
- World Series Squash (Womens') - **Nicol David**
- Commonwealth Chess Championship - **Lalith Babu**
- World Women's Chess Championship 2012 - **Anna Ushenina**
- Lal Bahadur Shastri Hockey Tournament - **Air India**
- First Indian and eighth batsman in the First-Class (FC) cricket history of world to score three triple-centuries in the unbeaten 320 runs - **Ravindra Jadeja**
- Blind Cricket T20 World Cup - **India**
- India Won Record **46 Medals** (13 Gold, 17 Silver and 16 Bronze) in **Special Olympics (differently abled)** at Pyeong Chang, South Korea.
- **Wrestling** Dropped From 2020 Olympic Games List
- Qatar Open Tennis Title - **Victoria Azarenka**

## List of Important Ongoing programs of Government Of India

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### **Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Act (MGNREGA)**

It's been launched in 2006 as NREGA and renamed as MGNREGA on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2009. Its intended to provide 100 days of employment to rural adult households as a right.

### **Swarnajayanti Gram Swarajgar Yojna (SGSY)**

It aims at providing self-employment to the rural poor by organizing them into self-help groups (SHGs). It's been launched on April 1<sup>st</sup> 1999.



### **Pradhanmantri Gram SadakYojna (PMGSY)**

PradhanMantri Gram SadakYojana (PMGSY) was launched on 25<sup>th</sup> December 2000 as a fully funded Centrally Sponsored Scheme to provide all weather road connectivity in rural areas of the country.

### **Indira AwaasYojna (IAY)**

The objective of the scheme is to primarily help the weaker sections in rural areas who belong to Below Poverty Line (BPL) category by granting financial assistance for construction of a pucca house. Additional assistance will be provided for sanitary latrine and smokeless chullah under Total Sanitation Programme (TSP) and Rajiv Gandhi Gramin Vidyudeekaran Yojna. This scheme is operational since 1985.

### **Bharath Nirman**

It's been launched in 2005 to provide basic infrastructure in rural areas. Six components of this programme include

- Road connectivity
- Electrification
- Drinking water supply in rural areas
- Telephone connectivity
- Housing
- Irrigation

It's based on PURA (Providing Urban Amenities in Rural Areas) model of Dr. Abdul Kalam. 1<sup>st</sup> phase of the programme has been completed in 2009 and second phase is being operational now.

### **Jawaharlal Nehru National Urban Renewal Mission (JNNURM)**

Launched in 2005 for modernisation of urban centres

### **Swarna Jayanti Shahari RojgarYojana (SJSRY)**

Launched in 1997 (revamped in 2007) to provide self-employment and wage employment to urban poor with special attention to women.

### **Integrated Child Development Scheme (ICDS)**

Launched in 1975, to alleviate problem of mal nutrition among children of age group 6 months or below and their mothers.



### **National Rural Health Mission (NRHM)**

Originally launched for a period of 7 years (2005-12). It's intended to provide health care facilities in rural areas. JananiSurakshaYojna is part of this programme.

### **Indira Gandhi National Old Age Pension Scheme**

This scheme is intended to provide pension of Rs. 200 to the poor above the age of 65 years. Its been revised and renamed on 19<sup>th</sup> November 2007.

### **Rashtriya swasthya bima yojna (National health insurance programme)**

Launched in 2008, to provide health insurance facility to people of below poverty line.

### **Jawaharlal Nehru National Solar Mission**

Launched to meet the challenge of climate change and to achieve sustainable energy. It's aimed to achieve 20,000 MW of solar power by 2022.

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## RBI's New Credit Monetary policy review Highlights

The Reserve Bank of India cut its Benchmark Policy Rate by 25 basis points on 19th March 2013, for the second time since the start of the year (earlier on January 29th it has cut the Repo Rate and CRR by 25 basis points). The Reserve Bank of India lowered its repo rate to 7.50 percent and left the cash reserve ratio for banks unchanged, in line with expectations. Read highlights below....The Reserve Bank cuts the Repo Rate by 25 basis points to 7.5% (earlier it was 7.75%)

- Reverse Repo Rate is now 6.50 (earlier it was 6.75)
- Bank Rate is now 8.50 (earlier it was 8.75)
- It keeps CRR unchanged at 4%.
- SLR is now 23%
- MSF is now 8.50 (Earlier it was 8.75)
- Limited headroom for further monetary easing
- Risk on CAD, inflation remain significant
- Govt. has to remain committed to increase growth, fiscal consolidation
- RBI to ensure adequate credit flow to productive areas
- High retail inflation remains point of concern
- High food inflation worsening
- Deceleration of service sector is a concern
- Headline inflation expected to remain at current levels in FY14.
- Demand supply gap to keep pressure on inflation
- Competitive rate necessary but not enough to revive investment.
- Government has a critical role to play in pushing growth.
- RBI will continue to manage liquidity through OMOs

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