

JAISHANKAR LAUNCHES LOGO, WEBSITE OF BLOC FOR 2026

# Weathering global shocks: India's plan for BRICS chairship

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New Delhi, January 13

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ON A DAY when the US threatened nations trading with Iran, including India, with a 25% additional penal tariff, External Affairs Minister S. Jaishankar spoke on Tuesday of shared challenges and India's objective of global welfare.

"The current global environment presents complex and interlinked challenges, geopolitical uncertainties, complicated economic landscapes, climate-related risks, technological changes, and persistent development gaps continue to affect countries across regions," Jaishankar said in the context of India's BRICS presidency this year. He launched the logo and official website of BRICS 2026.

"We will endeavour to build structural institutional strengths capable of weathering global shocks. India intends to work with BRICS partners to build resilience in agriculture, health, disaster risk reduction, energy and supply chains, including through cooperative frameworks that enhance collective preparedness and response," Jaishankar said. "BRICS remains an important forum that encourages dialogue and practical responses, taking into account national priorities at different stages of development," he said.

India already faces steep 50% tariffs imposed by the US, including a 25% penal tariff for its oil import from Russia, another BRICS member-state.

Jaishankar explained the "four broad priorities" guiding India's BRICS chairship, stating

that "resilience, innovation, cooperation, and sustainability" are the precedents that will lead the grouping's 18th summit. These priorities, he said, will provide a coherent framework across the grouping's three foundational pillars—"political and security, economic and financial, and cultural and people-to-people exchanges".

For its year-long BRICS presidency, India will follow the model of its 2023 G20 presidency and hold meetings and host delegations in all 28 states and eight Union territories. Besides the leaders' summit, there will be around 100 meetings, including ministerials, forums and working groups, held across 60 Indian cities, officials say.

Jaishankar also noted that leveraging new and emerging technologies is crucial for tack-

ling socio-economic challenges, especially those faced by developing nations. "Enhanced cooperation in areas such as startups, MSMEs, and emerging technologies can contribute meaningfully to building a more equitable world," he said, also emphasising sustainability as a crucial pillar of cooperation.

On the significance of the newly unveiled BRICS logo—a lotus in the colours of the BRICS nations—he said it reflects India's approach to its chairship by combining "tradition and modernity". "The petals incorporate the colours of all BRICS member countries, representing unity in diversity and a strong sense of shared purpose. The logo conveys that BRICS draws strength from the collective contributions of its members while respecting their distinct identities," he said.

# Operation Sindoor ongoing: Army chief

• We were ready to launch ground ops: Gen Dwivedi

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SHEDDING NEW LIGHT on Indian moves during Operation Sindoor in May last year, Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi said on Tuesday that "the Army's mobilisation to expand the conventional space was such that if Pakistan made any mistake, we were fully prepared to launch ground operations".

Speaking to the media ahead of Army Day on January 15, General Dwivedi said Operation Sindoor is still ongoing and any misadventure will be dealt with effectively.

"Through 22 minutes of initiation on May 7 and an orchestration that lasted 88 hours up to May 10, the operation reset strategic assumptions by striking deep, dismantling terror infrastructure, and puncturing the longstanding nuclear rhetoric," he said, adding that



Army Chief General Upendra Dwivedi addresses the press in New Delhi on Tuesday

the Army successfully destroyed seven of the nine targets. "The action we took, especially the kind of firing that took place in Jammu and Kashmir, and the way we addressed it, and how we eliminated approximately 100 of their (Pakistan) personnel, all that action was taken because we expanded the conventional space," he said.

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he said. Pakistan's decision-making cycle, he said, was completely disrupted, and it took them time to understand what was happening. On May 10, certain instructions, he said, were given to all three services of the military regarding what would happen if the war escalated.

"Those who needed to understand it, understood it. They (Pakistan) had complete information from satellites about which ship, which strike or pivot, which core unit, or which aircraft was moving where. When they connected the dots, they said that the time has come to stop this war here," he said.

General Dwivedi said eight terror camps are still active across the western borders, of which around two are located opposite the International Border and six opposite the Line of Control and these may be housing 100-150 people.

"That is why we are keeping a close watch on them and trying to gather inputs. If any such activity happens again, we will certainly carry out whatever action we intend to take."

On Pakistani drones being spotted recently, he said around six drones were seen on January 10, and two-three were seen on January 11 and 12. "These, I believe, were defensive drones, which were trying to see if any action was being taken against us. It's possible they also wanted to see if there were any gaps, any laxity in the Indian Army, any gaps through which they could send terrorists," he said, adding that there is no such gap from where they can send them. "We had a DGMO (director general of military operations) talk today. This matter was discussed in that talk, and they were told that this is unacceptable to us, and please put a stop to it."

Regarding the Line of Actual Control with China, he said it needs constant vigilance. "What is happening is that there is a kind of sense of urgency and a sense of acceptance from both sides to keep the borders as calm and quiet as possible," he said, adding various levels of talks are in place for better communication between the two sides, so that minor issues are resolved soon and not escalated.

## In Haryana, songs extolling 'gun culture' face the music

SIXTY-SEVEN SONGS PROMOTING "gang lifestyle" and glorifying weapons and violence have been removed from digital platforms, the Haryana Police said in a statement on Tuesday.

"The action taken against 67 songs is part of a larger campaign and further strict action will continue," Haryana Director General of Police (DGP) Ajay Singh said. The police, in its statement, did not name the songs that have been taken down in the past nearly one year. However, official sources said these included songs by Haryanvi rappers. Singh termed the action a crucial step taken in the interest of society

and the younger generation.

In February 2025, the Haryana Police had initiated action against songs that it claimed promote "gun culture", glorify violence, and incite hatred. In March 2025

alone, more than 10 songs were taken down from various social media platforms—a few of them sung by popular Haryanvi singer Masoom Sharma. The Haryana Police had then maintained that some of his tracks promote gun culture. In his reaction, Sharma earlier said, "If the government has started from me, it is good, but the action should be fair." —PTI

## • FISHING FEVER IN ASSAM



People engage in community fishing ahead of Magh Bihu in Tezpur district, Assam, on Tuesday. Traditionally, community fishing has been a part of the harvest festival

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## ECO HOTELS AND RESORTS LIMITED

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### FIRST CALL NOTICE TO THE HOLDERS OF PARTLY PAID-UP EQUITY SHARES OF ECO HOTELS AND RESORTS LIMITED HELD AS ON THE RECORD DATE I.E., THURSDAY, JANUARY 08, 2026

In terms of provisions of the Companies Act, 2013 ("Act") read with the relevant rules made thereunder, and the Letter of Offer dated August 29, 2025 ("Letter of Offer"), and Corrigendum to the Letter of Offer dated September 04 and September 16, 2025 respectively the First Call notice has been sent in electronic mode to the holder of partly paid-up equity shares ("Shareholders") whose e-mail addresses are registered with the Company's Registrar and Share Transfer Agent (RTA) or Depository Participant(s) as on the record date i.e., January 08, 2026. Further, physical copy of the First Call Notice along with the detailed instructions and ASBA Form have been sent via permitted modes of dispatch, at the registered addresses of those Shareholders a) who have not registered their e-mail address with the Company or its RTA or Depository Participant(s); or b) who have specifically registered their request for the hard copy of the same. The Company has completed the dispatch on January 10, 2026.

The Rights Issue Committee of the Board of Directors of the Company ("Board"), at its meeting held on January 02, 2026, had fixed Thursday, January 08, 2026, as the record date for the purpose of ascertaining the holders of Right Equity Shares to whom the First Call notice, would be sent. The Board also at the same meeting had approved making the First Call of ₹ 3.80/- (Rupees Three & Eighty Paise Only). ₹ 2.50 will be adjusted towards Face Value and ₹ 1.30/- towards the Securities Premium) and fixed the period of First Call from which call money will be payable from Tuesday, January 27, 2026 to Tuesday, February 10, 2026, both days inclusive ('First Call'). The same was intimated to the stock exchanges on January 02, 2026.

Accordingly, the First Call notice has been served as per the details given below:

Payment Period	From	To	Duration
Mode of Payment			
a. Online ASBA	Through the website of the SCSBs <sup>(1)(2)</sup>		
b. Physical ASBA	By submitting physical application to the Designated Branch of SCSBs <sup>(1)(2)</sup>		
c. Online	Using the 3-in-1 online trading-demat-bank account wherever offered by brokers		

(1) Please visit <https://www.sebi.gov.in/sebinet/other/OtherAction.do?doRecognisedPoi=yes&intmld=35> to refer to the list of existing SCSBs [Self-Certified Syndicate Banks]

(2) Available only to resident shareholders

In accordance with the SEBI circular no. SEBI/HO/CFD/DIL/1/CIR/238/2020 dated December 8, 2020, Shareholders can also make the First Call Money payment by using the facility of linked online trading-demat-bank account [3-in-1 type accounts], provided by some of the brokers. Eligible Shareholders must log into their demat account and under the relevant section proceed with the payment for First Call Money of Eco Hotels and Resorts Limited. Eligible Shareholders are requested to check with their respective brokers for exact process to be followed. Eligible Shareholders may please note that this payment method can be used only if the concerned broker has made this facility available to their customer. The Company, Advisor or Registrar to the issue will not be responsible for non-availability of this payment method to the shareholders.

Shareholders are requested to make the First Call money payment on or before **Tuesday, February 10, 2026**. Please also note the consequences of failure to pay First Call Money, given below:

a. Interest @ 10.00% (Ten per cent only) p.a. will be payable for delay in payment of First Call beyond **Tuesday, February 10, 2026** till the actual date of payment.

b. The Company shall be entitled to deduct from any dividend payable to you, all sums of money outstanding on account of calls and interest due thereon in relation to the partly paid-up equity shares of the Company; and

c. The partly paid-up Equity Shares of the Company currently held by you, including the amount already paid thereon are liable to be forfeited in accordance with the Articles of Association of the Company and the application form.

Shareholders may also note that:

(i) The ISIN "IN9638N01010" representing partly paid-up equity shares of face value of ₹ 10/- each (₹ 2.50/- paid-up) has been suspended by the Stock Exchange with effect from Thursday, January 08, 2026 on account of the First Call. The process of corporate action for converting the Partly Paid-up Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each (₹ 2.50 paid-up) to Partly Paid-up Equity Shares of ₹ 10 each (₹ 5 paid-up) to the investors demat accounts under ISIN IN9638N01028, is estimated to be completed within 2 weeks from the last date of payment of the first call money stipulated under this notice.

(ii) In case of non-receipt of first call money notice, shareholders can request the Registrar by e-mail or letter, for the duplicate call money notice, or may also download the same from the Company's website [www.ehfnindia.in](http://www.ehfnindia.in) or the Registrar's website [www.bigshareonline.com](http://www.bigshareonline.com). In such a case, however the shareholder has to fill the DP & Client ID, number of partly paid-up shares held and amount payable towards the first call money.

(iii) All Eligible Shareholders should mention in the Application, his/her PAN number allotted under the Income Tax Act, 1961. Applications without PAN will be considered incomplete and are liable to be rejected.

All correspondence in this regard may be addressed to Registrar to the issue at below mentioned address:

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