PM Modi opens 10th India Mobile Congress at Yashobhoomi

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News

PM Narendra Modi inaugurated the 10th edition of the India Mobile Congress (IMC), Asia's largest telecom and technology event, at Yashobhoomi, New Delhi, on 8 Oct 2026. Dates: 7–10 Oct. Theme: 'Scale Without Boundaries'. It is organised jointly by the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and the Cellular Operators Association of India (COAI).

Key facts

Edition	10th; 7–10 Oct 2026
Venue	Yashobhoomi (India International Convention & Expo Centre), Dwarka, New Delhi
Theme	Scale Without Boundaries
4 pillars	Srishti, Samvardhan, Sashakt, Suraksha
Focus	5G/6G, AI networks, semiconductors, non-terrestrial networks, cybersecurity, quantum communication
Scale	100+ countries, 1.5 lakh+ visitors, 600+ start-ups

Background

- PM Modi launched 5G services in India at the 6th IMC on 1 Oct 2022. The 'Bharat 6G Vision' document came out in March 2023.
- Law: the Telecommunications Act 2023 replaced the Indian Telegraph Act 1885. The regulator is the Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI, 1997).
- Yashobhoomi is the India International Convention and Expo Centre (IICC) at Dwarka, opened in 2023. Bharat Mandapam is a separate venue at Pragati Maidan (G20, 2023).
- Digital public infrastructure: Aadhaar, UPI and BharatNet (optical fibre to villages); 'Sanchar Saathi' (2023) is the portal against fraud calls and lost phones.
- Science: 5G uses higher frequencies, including millimetre waves, for high speed and very low latency; 6G aims at terahertz bands.

Tamil Nadu link: Sriperumbudur–Oragadam–Hosur are hubs of mobile and electronics manufacturing; the 5G Testbed built by IIT Madras and other institutes was dedicated in 2022.

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