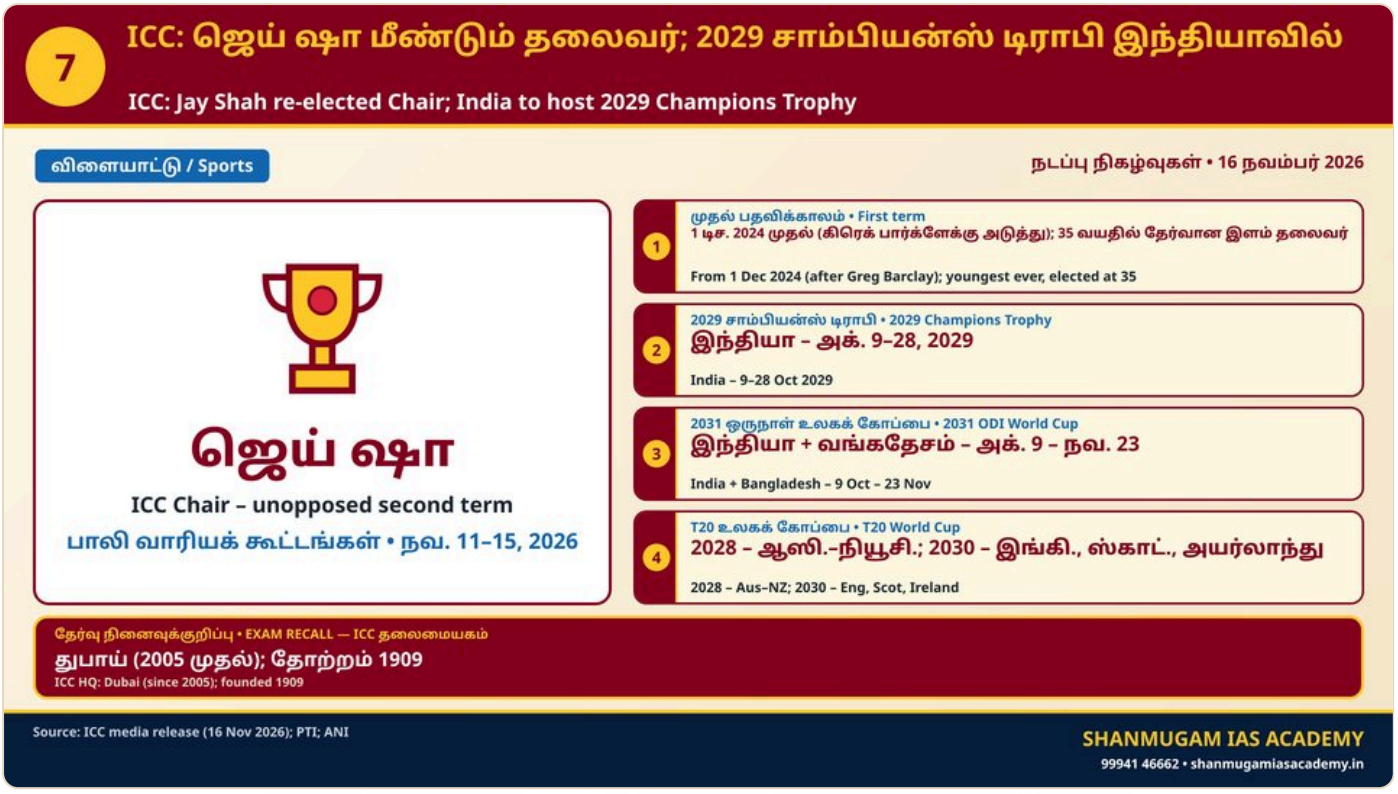
ICC: Jay Shah re-elected Chair; India to host 2029 Champions Trophy

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News

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Key facts for the exam

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Meeting	ICC Board meetings, Bali (Indonesia), 11–15 Nov 2026
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2031 ODI World Cup	India + Bangladesh – 9 Oct – 23 Nov
T20 World Cup	2028 – Aus–NZ; 2030 – Eng, Scot, Ireland
ICC HQ	Dubai (since 2005); founded 1909
Indians at ICC helm	Dalmiya, Sharad Pawar (President); N. Srinivasan, Shashank Manohar, Jay Shah (Chair)

Background

- ICC: it began in 1909 as the 'Imperial Cricket Conference' of England, Australia and South Africa; it became the 'International Cricket Conference' in 1965 and the 'International Cricket Council' in 1989. The post of Chairman was created in a 2014 revamp; its first holder was Chennai's N. Srinivasan (2014–15). Before that, Jagmohan Dalmiya (1997–2000) and Sharad Pawar (2010–12) were ICC Presidents. After Shashank Manohar (2015–20) and Greg Barclay (2020–24), Jay Shah took charge on 1 December 2024; he was earlier BCCI Secretary and Asian Cricket Council President. The ICC Deputy Chair is Tavengwa Mukuhlani, who also chairs Zimbabwe Cricket (ICC release via ANI, 16 Nov 2026).
- Champions Trophy history: it began in 1998 in Dhaka, Bangladesh, as the 'ICC KnockOut' (Wills International Cup) – won by South Africa; the 2000 edition was in Nairobi, Kenya. It has been called the 'Champions Trophy' since 2002; the 2002 final in Colombo was washed out and India, led by Sourav Ganguly, shared the title with Sri Lanka. India won it in 2013 (Dhoni) in England and in 2025 (Rohit Sharma), beating New Zealand in the final in Dubai – three titles in all (one shared). India last hosted it in 2006 (won by Australia).
- India and the World Cup: India first hosted the ODI World Cup in 1987 jointly with Pakistan (the Reliance Cup) – the first World Cup held outside England. It hosted again in 1996 (with Pakistan and Sri Lanka), 2011 (with Sri Lanka and Bangladesh) and 2023 (alone). In 2031 it will co-host for the fifth time, with Bangladesh. Cricket was played at the Olympics only once, at Paris 1900 (Great Britain v France); it returns in T20 format at the 2028 Los Angeles Games.

Tamil Nadu link: the ICC's first Chairman, N. Srinivasan (2014–15), is a Chennai-based former managing director of India Cements and a former BCCI President. Chennai's M.A. Chidambaram Stadium (Chepauk) hosted World Cup matches in 1987, 1996, 2011 and 2023; Indian venues for the 2029 Champions Trophy and 2031 World Cup are not yet announced.

Frequently asked questions

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Practice questions (with answers)

1. Which Chennai-based administrator was the first to hold the post of ICC Chairman, created in 2014?

A) Jagmohan Dalmiya

B) Sharad Pawar

C) Shashank Manohar

D) N. Srinivasan

Answer: D – Explanation: N. Srinivasan (2014–15), ex-BCCI President. Dalmiya and Pawar were ICC Presidents; Manohar was the second Chairman.

2. In which city was the first Champions Trophy, then called the 'ICC KnockOut', held in 1998?

A) Sharjah

B) Nairobi

C) Dhaka

D) Colombo

Answer: C – Explanation: Dhaka (Bangladesh) – won by South Africa. 2000 was in Nairobi; it became the 'Champions Trophy' in 2002 (Colombo).

3. With which country did India first co-host the ODI World Cup in 1987?

A) Sri Lanka

B) Pakistan

C) Bangladesh

D) England

Answer: B – Explanation: Pakistan – the 'Reliance Cup', the first World Cup outside England. In 2031 India co-hosts with Bangladesh.

4. Who captained India when it won its first Champions Trophy in 2002, sharing the title with Sri Lanka?

A) M.S. Dhoni

B) Sourav Ganguly

C) Rahul Dravid

D) Rohit Sharma

Answer: B – Explanation: Sourav Ganguly – the Colombo final was washed out. Dhoni won it in 2013 and Rohit Sharma in 2025.

5. Cricket, returning at LA28, was played only once before at the Olympics. Which Games were they?

A) Athens 1896

B) London 1908

C) Stockholm 1912

D) Paris 1900

Answer: D – Explanation: Paris 1900 – Great Britain beat France. At Los Angeles 2028 it returns as T20 for men and women.

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