



Kreta Samvad in Bhopal | Madhya Pradesh | 27 Nov 2025

Why in News?

The **Government e-Marketplace (GeM)** will organise a '**Kreta Samvad**' interaction programme on **28th November, 2025** in **Bhopal**, to enhance digital procurement capabilities of Madhya Pradesh's government departments.

Key Points

▪ About Kreta Samvad:

- The [Ministry of Commerce and Industry](#) is organising the **Kreta Samvad** to help buyer organisations across Madhya Pradesh **understand GeM's digital tools**, new reforms, and procurement best practices.
- The conclave will also showcase opportunities for **sellers and service providers**, offering them easier access to government buyers at both state and national levels.
- Recent reforms like simplified onboarding have boosted participation from [Micro & Small Enterprises \(MSEs\)](#), [women entrepreneurs](#), **startups**, **artisans**, and **SC/ST enterprises**.
- These measures promote transparent procurement, predictable business growth, and support the government's vision of [Viksit Bharat](#) and [Atmanirbhar Bharat](#).

▪ About Government e-Marketplace (GeM):

- **Government e-Marketplace (GeM)** is a [100% digital public procurement platform](#) launched in **2016** under the **Ministry of Commerce and Industry** to promote transparent, efficient, and paperless procurement of goods and services by Government bodies.
- **GeM is registered as a Section 8 Company (Non-Profit) under the Companies Act, 2013**, functioning as an [Special Purpose Vehicle](#) which enables procurement by **Central Ministries, State Governments, PSUs**, autonomous bodies, and local agencies.
- It features **digital bidding**, **reverse auctions**, [end-to-end transparency](#), **real-time price comparison**, [cashless payments](#), and **full audit trails**.
- It strongly focus on [MSME inclusion](#), with policies supporting [Womaniya initiative](#), [SC/ST entrepreneurs](#), **startups**, and [Make in India](#) products.
- Integrated with platforms like [Aadhaar](#), [GSTN](#), [PAN](#), and **Banks** to ensure seamless verification and payments.

India to Host Commonwealth Games 2030 | National Current Affairs | 27 Nov 2025

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Prime Minister congratulated the nation as India has officially won the bid to host the **Centenary Commonwealth Games 2030**, a historic sporting milestone marking 100 years of the Games.

Key Points

▪ About the Commonwealth Bid:

- India will host the **Centenary Commonwealth Games 2030** in [Ahmedabad](#).
- This achievement represents a major **diplomatic and sporting milestone**, significantly enhancing **India's visibility and credibility** in **global sports governance**.
- Hosting the 2030 Games aligns with [India's long-term sporting vision](#), particularly its efforts to upgrade **sports infrastructure**, strengthen **global event hosting capacity**, and enhance athlete support through programmes such as [Khelo India](#) and the [Target Olympic Podium \(TOP\) Scheme](#).
- India last hosted the **Commonwealth Games in 2010**, when the event was held in **New Delhi**.

▪ About Commonwealth Games:

- The **Commonwealth Games (CWG)** is an international multi-sport event held every four years, bringing together athletes from all 56 Commonwealth nations.
- It was first conducted in **1930 at Hamilton, Canada** as the **British Empire Games**. India first participated in the **1934 London Games**.
- The event is governed by the **Commonwealth Sport** (earlier known as **Commonwealth Games Federation**), headquartered in **London (England)**, which ensures that the Games uphold the core values of **humanity, equality, and destiny**.
- The **2026 Commonwealth Games** are scheduled to take place in [Glasgow, Scotland](#).