



# UP to Host India's First World Boxing Cup

## Why in News?

India will host the World Boxing Cup (men's and women's) for the **first time in Greater Noida, Uttar Pradesh**, from 13th- 24th November 2025, at the Vijay Pathik Sports Complex.

- The event will feature 450 boxers from over 80 countries, along with approximately 150 officials, and will coincide with the **World Boxing Congress** on 23rd November 2025.

## Boxing World Cup

- **About:** It is an **annual series** where elite boxers **compete across multiple stages** throughout the year to accumulate ranking points.
  - The year culminates in a **Finals event**, bringing together top-ranked boxers for the final trophy.
- **Boxing World Cup (2023-2025):**
  - The first World Boxing Cup competition was held in Cologne, Germany, in October 2023.
  - The 2024 series took place across England, the USA, and Mongolia, culminating in a Finals event in England in November 2024.
  - For 2025, events will be held in Brazil, Germany, and Kazakhstan, with the **Finals in India in November 2025**.
- **World Boxing Cup 2025:** The event marks **India's first time hosting** the prestigious competition, with the **Boxing Federation of India (BFI)** being a major contender for the bid.
  - India has previously hosted the **Women's World Boxing Championship** twice (2018 and 2023 in Delhi).
  - The **World Boxing Congress** was also held in Greater Noida in 2017.
- **Other Major Boxing Events:**
  - U19 World Boxing Championships (October 2024): Held in Colorado Springs, USA, with over 180 male and female boxers aged 17 and 18.
  - **Elite World Boxing Championships (September 2025):** The first event will take place in Liverpool, England, from 4-14 September 2025.
  - **Elite World Boxing Championships (2027):** Astana, Kazakhstan, will host the 2027 event following a successful bidding process.

## World Boxing

- **About: World Boxing**, since the latter part of 2023, has been committed to **organizing high-quality competitions** to help boxers develop and progress.
  - The organization collaborates with **National Federations** and key stakeholders to deliver competitive opportunities for both male and female boxers at various levels.

## Boxing Federation of India (BFI)

- **About:** It is the **national body** overseeing amateur boxing, promoting the sport domestically, and representing India in international events like the **Olympics and World Championships**.
- **Leadership:** **Pramod Kumar** has recently been elected as the Secretary-General of the **Boxing**

**Federation of India (BFI)**, and **Ajay Singh** as its President.

- **Pramod Kumar** had represented India in the **5000m sprint** at the **1986 Asian Games** in Seoul.
- He won **two gold medals** at the **1985 South Asian Games** in Dhaka, bringing recognition to Indian boxing.

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