

INTERPOL Silver Notice

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India has successfully leveraged <u>INTERPOL's newly introduced Silver Notice system</u> to trace assets and seek international cooperation in tracking down economic fugitives.

- INTERPOL Silver Notice: Launched in 2025, it helps trace and recover criminal assets, combat transnational organized crime, and enhance international police cooperation.
 - It is currently in a pilot phase involving 51 countries, which will run until November 2025.
 During this period, each country can request up to nine Silver Notices.
 - In India, the <u>Central Bureau of Investigation (CBI)</u> acts as India's nodal agency for Interpol-related matters. It coordinates requests from all Indian law enforcement agencies seeking Interpol's international assistance.
 - BHARATPOL, developed by the CBI, gives both central and state agencies realtime access to INTERPOL data. It streamlines cooperation against transnational crimes like cybercrime and trafficking, and simplifies Red Notice processing.
- Interpol's Colour-coded Notices System: INTERPOL notices are requests for cooperation or alerts shared among police in 196 member countries.
 - Interpol issues nine colour-coded notices for various purposes; it is issued by INTERPOL's General Secretariat on request from a country's National Central Bureau (NCB).
 - It can also be issued at the request of International Criminal Tribunals and the
 International Criminal Court to seek persons wanted for committing crimes within their
 jurisdiction, notably genocide, war crimes, and crimes against humanity.
 - They may also be issued on behalf of the **UN Security Council** to enforce its sanctions.

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About

- Official Name International Criminal Police Organization (ICPO - INTERPOL)
- Establishment year 1923
- O Member states 195
- India has been a member since 1956.
- o Headquarters Lyon, France An inter-governmental organization

Objective

- Collects and disseminates information from various police forces to facilitate criminal investigation across the globe.
 - Doesn't have law enforcement powers such as arrest.

Composition

- o President (head of Interpol) elected for 4 years
- o Secretary General (performs day-to-day activities) for 5 years
- Specialized Secretariat deals with specific issues like cybercrime, terrorism, human & drug trafficking, financial & environmental crime, etc.
- General Assembly supreme governing body (meets once a year). India hosted INTERPOL General Assembly in 2022.



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