

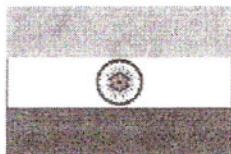


**Capital:** New Delhi is the capital of India.

**Size:** India covers about 3,287,590 square kilometers. India is the 7th largest country in the world (after Russia, Canada, the USA, China, Brazil, and Australia).

**Population:** India has the second largest population of any country in the world (after China). The population of India is about 1,129,866,000 (as of July, 2007).

India is divided into 28 states and 7 union territories.



**Flag:** The Indian flag has three equal horizontal bars (saffron, white and green) with a blue Dharma Chakra (the wheel of law) in the center. The wheel has 24 spokes, representing the 24 hours in a day (at the end of each spoke is a dark blue half-moon).

**Climate:** India's climate ranges from tropical monsoon (in the south) to temperate (in the north).

**Major Rivers:** The major rivers in India are the Ganges (with its tributaries Yamuna, Gomti, and Chambal), Brahmaputra, Mahanadi, Godavari, Krishna, Kaveri.

**Mountain Ranges:** The highest mountain range in the world, the Himalayas, is in northern India, bordering Nepal and China.