



## Rosh Hashanah

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Recently, **Prime Minister wished** the Prime Minister of [Israel](#) and greeted **Jewish community** on the occasion of [Rosh Hashanah](#).

- Rosh Hashanah is **Jewish New Year** and is among the most sacred days in the Jewish faith.
- It marks the **beginning** of the Jewish month of **Tishri**, which is the **7<sup>th</sup> month** according to the **Hebrew calendar**.
- It is believed by the Jewish community to be the day when **God created the world**, including **Adam and Eve**.
- Rosh Hashanah is also known as **Yom Hadin (Day of Judgment)** on which God opens the **Books of Life and Death**, which are then **sealed on Yom Kippur**.
  - Yom Kippur means "**Day of Atonement**" on which Jewish people **pray, seek forgiveness and a fresh start**.
- The central ceremony features the blowing of the [shofar horn](#) in select **synagogues**, along with community prayers held beside a body of water.
  - A shofar is an ancient **musical instrument** typically made of a **ram's (a species of sheep) horn**, used for Jewish **religious** purposes.

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