



## CWG Stares at Uncertain Future

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Recently, Malaysia rejected the offer to host the [Commonwealth Games \(CWG\)](#) citing **short notice and insufficient funds**.

- The **Commonwealth Games (CWG)** is a **quadrennial international** multi-sport event among athletes from the Commonwealth of Nations, which mostly consists of territories of the former British Empire.

### Commonwealth Nations:

- The [Commonwealth](#) is a collective of **56 countries, primarily former British colonies**.
  - **Established in 1949** by the **London Declaration**.
  - Members are mainly situated in Africa, the Americas, Asia, and the Pacific, with notable emerging economies.
- It was created as the **British Commonwealth of Nations** through the **Balfour Declaration of 1926**.
- The **chief institutions** of the organisation are **Commonwealth Secretariat and Commonwealth Foundation** which focuses on **intergovernmental aspects and non-governmental relations** among member states respectively.
- The Commonwealth consists of **both Republics and Realms**.
  - The **British monarch is the Head of State for the realms**, whereas the republics are ruled by elected governments except in the case of five countries — Brunei Darussalam, Eswatini, Lesotho, Malaysia, and Tonga — each a self-governed monarchy.
  - The **realms** are Antigua and Barbuda, Australia, the Bahamas, Belize, Canada, Grenada, etc.

**Read more:** [Future of the Commonwealth](#)

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