

G20 Pandemic Fund

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In a significant move to bolster animal health and pandemic preparedness, **the government of India** has announced a USD 25 million G20 Pandemic Fund to develop holistic health coverage for livestock.

The initiative comes in response to pandemics such as <u>Covid-19</u>, which can transmit from animals to humans.

About the Fund:

- Fund is developed in partnership with the <u>Asian Development Bank</u>, <u>World Bank</u>, and <u>Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO)</u> and is planned to be utilized by August 2026.
- The Fund aims to create a robust framework for monitoring and managing zoonotic diseases—diseases that originate in animals and transfer to humans.

Key Objectives:

- Upgrading and expanding animal health laboratories and developing laboratory networks.
- Enhancing disease surveillance, including genomic and environmental monitoring for early warnings.
- Strengthening cross-border collaboration for better disease management.
- Creating a <u>disaster management framework</u> for the <u>livestock sector</u>.

India's Health Vulnerabilities:

- 60% of pathogens causing human diseases originate from domestic animals or wildlife.
- 75% of emerging human pathogens are animal-derived.
- India **scored 42.8 on the <u>Global Health Security Index</u>**, reflecting significant environmental risks and public health challenges.



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Invitee Countries

• Bangladesh, Egypt, Mauritius, Netherlands, Nigeria, Oman, Singapore, Spain and UAE

India's Cultural Showcase

- Bharat Mandapam (inspired from Anubhav Mandapam)
- Bronze statue of Lord Nataraja (Chola style)
- Konark Chakra of Odisha's Sun Temple and Image of Nalanda University (used as iconic backdrops)
- Thanjavur Paintings and Dhokra art
- Brass statue of Lord Buddha sitting under Bodhi tree
- Diverse musical heritage (Hindustani, Folk, Carnatic, Devotional)

G20 Leaders' New Delhi Declaration

100% consensus on the Declaration

- Overcoming major differences on Russia-Ukraine war
 - Call for full implementation of Black Sea Grain Initiative
- Action Plan against Fugitive Economic Offenders
- Countering terrorism and money laundering
- Globally fair, sustainable, and modern international tax system
- Accelerating Progress on SDGs
- Multilateral Institutions (UNSC, Multilateral Development Banks etc)
- Digital Public Infrastructure (crypto, AI etc)
- Gender equality and women empowerment
- G20 Deccan High-Level Principles on Food Security and Nutrition 2023
- Global Biofuel Alliance formally launched



India- Middle East- Europe Economic Corridor

 Shipping & railway connectivity corridor (India, UAE, Saudi, EU, France, Italy, Germany and US) - part of
Partnership for Global Infrastructure Investment

G20 now G21

 Permanent membership of African Union in G20 (in line with India as the 'Voice of the Global South')

Global Biofuel Alliance

- Led by India, Brazil and US
- Other Initiating Members Argentina, Bangladesh, Italy, Mauritius, S. Africa and UAE (Canada and Singapore - observers)
- 19 countries and 12 int'l orgs agreed to join

Climate

- G20 High-Level Principles on Lifestyles for Sustainable Development
- Pledge to 3x RE capacity globally by 2030
- UK committed USD 2 bn to Green Climate Fund



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