

YEAR REVIEW 2021- National

As we bid goodbye to the year 2021 and welcome 2022 SPIS organized a YEAR REVIEW of 2021 on December 31, 2021. This year brought us yet more pandemic and endless fatigue. But in spite of it all, we found a way to live as a family. So let's have a look at some of the incidents from the year review of SPIS that happened nationally.

The most important events in India in 2021 was a sequence of unexpected events.

Reference : Wikipedia

January

- 1 January – India begins its two-year tenure (2021–22) as a non-permanent member of the [UNSC](#).
- 2 January – India approves two coronavirus vaccines, Bharat Biotech's "[Covaxin](#)" and the Oxford/AstraZeneca "[Covishield](#)", for emergency use. Experts raised questions over the efficacy of [Covaxin](#) and a lack of transparency in trials.
- 3 January - Former Indian national cricket team captain [Sourav Ganguly](#) suffered a mild cardiac arrest. Social media criticism rose against [Adani Wilmar Group's](#) Fortune Edible Oil brand's healthy heart advertisement campaign of which [Ganguly](#) is a brand ambassador. The company pulled down the advertisements featuring [Ganguly](#) following the criticism and trolls.
- 4 January - Instant messaging app [WhatsApp](#) announced a new amendment in their privacy policies and data sharing norms. This led to massive outrage against the app and an exodus to alternative applications by users in India. The announcement that [WhatsApp](#) will share data with their parent company [Facebook](#) led to a surge in the user bases of applications like [Signal](#).
- 12 January - The [Supreme Court](#) issues a stay order thereby suspending the implementation of the [three new farm laws](#) in the wake of the [ongoing farmer protests](#).
- 14 January - Former [NDTV](#) journalist [Nidhi Razdan](#) announced that she fell prey to a serious [phishing](#) attack in 2020 that came as a job offer for a teaching position at [Harvard University](#).
- 16 January -
 - [The Indian Government](#) begins a mass [vaccination](#) campaign for [COVID-19](#). The vaccine for preventing [COVID-19](#) is prepared by [Bharat Biotech](#).
 - A 500-page transcript of [WhatsApp](#) chat between [Arnab Goswami](#) and former [Broadcast Audience Research Council](#) CEO [Partho Dasgupta](#) was

leaked to media. The transcripts revealed that Arnab Goswami was privy to top secret information regarding [2019 Balakot airstrike](#) and [2019 Pulwama attack](#). It also carried derogatory remarks made by [Arnab Goswami](#) on political activists, opposition leaders, media persons like Navika Kumar, celebrity like [Kangana Ranaut](#) etc.

- 21 January
 - Five people are killed in a fire at the Serum Institute of India Building, [Pune](#).
 - [2021 Shivamogga explosion](#)
- 24 January - Believing in the [superstition](#) of rebirth, a couple in [Madanapalle, Andhra Pradesh](#) murdered their two daughters.
- 26 January - The 72nd [Republic Day Parade](#) took place in [New Delhi](#). Owing to the [COVID-19 pandemic](#), no foreign head of state served as the chief guest. The Prime Minister of the [United Kingdom, Boris Johnson](#), cancelled his appearance due to the pandemic. The event took place with a smaller spectator size than usual and there were an air show by [Rafale](#) jets. A massive [tractor rally](#) took place in [Delhi](#) as part of the [farmers' protest](#) against new farm bills. There was ensuing violence and a serious law and order situation that followed the rally, and the Delhi Police alleged that an illegal flag hoisting took place at [Red Fort](#) by [Deep Sidhu](#). There were massive crack down by security agencies on farmers, journalists, etc. followed by internet shutdowns in [Delhi](#).

February

- 7 February - [2021 Uttarakhand flood](#).
- 13 February - A 6.3 magnitude earthquake occurred in [Tajikistan](#). Tremors were felt in parts of North India, including [Delhi](#).
- 14 February - A 22 year old Indian [environmentalist](#) from [Bangalore, Disha Ravi](#), was arrested by the [Delhi Police](#) on [sedition](#) charges. The [police](#) alleged that Ravi edited and circulated a document (toolkit) tweeted by [Greta Thunberg](#) relating to the [2020–2021 Indian farmers' protest](#).
- 23 February - A Delhi court granted bail to [Disha Ravi](#), citing the toolkit she shared as 'innocuous'.
- 24 February - The [Motera cricket stadium](#) in [Ahmedabad](#) was renamed as [Narendra Modi Stadium](#). It is the world largest cricket stadium with a seating capacity of 132,000.

March

- 20 March - [Dattatreya Hosabale](#) is elected as the General Secretary of [Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh](#).
- 26 March - [2021 Mumbai hospital fire](#).

April

- 1 April - The Gujarat Assembly amends the Freedom of Religion Act, 2003, bringing in stringent provisions against forcible conversion through marriage or allurement, with the intention of targeting "love jihad". Gujarat became the 3rd state to do so, after [Uttar Pradesh](#) and [Madhya Pradesh](#) passed similar bills in 2020.
- 3 April - [2021 Sukma-Bijapur attack](#).
- 8 April - A French online journal [Mediapart](#) came out with an investigative journalism piece on the [Rafale deal controversy](#), based on an investigation by the French anti-corruption agency Agence Francaise Anticorruption (AFA). In the report, Mediapart alleged that the jet manufacturer had paid nearly one million Euros to an Indian middleman.
- 15 April - [Adani Ports & SEZ](#) removed from [S&P Dow Jones Sustainability Indices](#) due to links and shared financial interests that group have with [Tatmadaw](#) that carried out [2021 Myanmar coup d'état](#).
- 23 April -
 - [Virar hospital fire](#).
 - A viral video emerged from [Madhya Pradesh's Vidisha](#), showing a dead body falling off a running ambulance draws criticism.
- 24 April - 25 [Covid-19](#) patients die in Jaipur Golden Hospital, Delhi after the hospital runs out of their oxygen supply.
- 27 April - The total number of deaths due to Covid-19 in the country cross 2 lakh. However, this is the official figure, with gross amounts of under-reporting suspected.
- 28 April - [2021 Assam earthquake](#).
- 29 April - A [Supreme Court of India](#) bench presided by Justice [Uday U. Lalit](#) refused a [Central Bureau of Investigation](#) probe on the controversial death of [Chief Minister of Arunachal Pradesh Kalikho Pul](#).
- 30 April - A Special Bench of Justices [Dhananjaya Y. Chandrachud](#), [L. Nageswara Rao](#) and [Shripathi Ravindra Bhat](#) warned State governments and police against clamping down on the spread of information or calls for help through social media from citizens affected by the [COVID-19 pandemic in India](#). The bench also questioned *lack of equity* in vaccine pricing in India.

May

- 1 May - [Bharuch hospital fire](#).
- 2 May - In a joint statement, opposition party leaders asked the Union government to focus all its attention on ensuring uninterrupted oxygen supply to hospitals across the country.
- 4 May -
 - [Twitter](#) permanently suspends the account of [Kangana Ranaut](#) for hateful posts about the post poll violence in [West Bengal](#).
 - [Delhi High Court](#) issues show cause notice for [contempt of court to Government of India](#) on grounds of not meeting court's direction to supply requisite [Oxygen](#) for hospitals in [Delhi](#).

- 5 May - Supreme Court of India strikes down the Maharashtra State Reservation for Socially and Educationally Backward Classes (SEBC) Act, 2018 which extends reservation to the Maratha community in public education and employment and upheld the Indra Sawhney & Others v. Union of India verdict and One Hundred and Second Amendment of the Constitution of India.
- 6 May - Union Minister V. Muraleedharan's convoy attacked at West Bengal.
- 10 May - Nearly 150 decomposed and bloated Human Dead bodies were found floating in River Ganges at Chausa, Buxar district, Bihar. It is believed that these bodies belonged to under-reported death cases of COVID-19 pandemic from neighboring state of Uttar Pradesh.
- 12 May -
 - Thousands of dead bodies are found floating or washing up the shore of the river Ganges. The corpses also include people that died due to Covid-19.
 - In a joint letter to Prime Minister of India, Narendra Modi, twelve opposition parties urged the government to start a free universal mass vaccination program in India. The letter also urged Modi to repeal the farm bills, scrap the Central Vista Redevelopment Project and provide food grains to people.
- 17 May -
 - Cyclone Tauktae hits India, resulting in at least 90 deaths.
 - More than 70 people die due to the capsizing of two barges, P-305 and Gal Contractor, housing crew involved in works at the Oil and Natural Gas Corporation's Mumbai High Field. The accident happened because the barge contractor ignored Cyclone Tauktae warnings issued by the India Meteorological Department.
- 21 May
 - It was reported that Air India was subjected to a cyberattack whereas the personal details of about 4.5 million customers around the world were compromised, including passports, credit card details, birth dates, names and ticket information.
 - 13 Maoists killed in Gadchiroli, Maharashtra in an operation carried out by C-60 commandos.
- 23 May - Fugitive Indian diamond trader Mehul Choksi, who committed the Punjab National Bank Scam, is arrested in Dominica.
- 25 May - Protests in Lakshadweep against Union territory administrator Praful Khoda Patel by the Save Lakshadweep campaign intensified following controversial decisions and laws passed by Patel. His decision to shut all dairy farms on the island, ban beef on the Muslim majority island, remove non-vegetarian food items from Midday Meals provided in schools, implement the Goonda act (Anti-social Activities Regulation Bill, 2021) in islands with 'zero criminal cases' to crack

down [dissent](#) against the [Citizenship Amendment Act](#), shift the islands logistics from [Cochin Port](#) and [Beypore port](#) to [New Mangalore Port](#), violation of [COVID-19 protocols](#) etc. raised sentiments against the administrator on the island.

- 26 May - [Very Severe Cyclonic Storm Yaas](#) affects [Odisha](#) and [West Bengal](#).
- 28 May - [Lakshadweep](#) administration issues an order to deploy govt. officials in fishing boats. The decision invited huge outcry and criticism.
- 29 May - An audio clip of a telephone conversation between social activist H.M. Santhosh and staff of A.V. Hospital [Basavanagudi](#) surfaces in the media. In light of the audio clip, the [Karnataka Congress](#) alleged a "vaccine selling scam" against [L. A. Ravi Subramanya](#), Member of the [Legislative Assembly](#) from [Basavanagudi](#) ([Vidhana Sabha constituency](#)) who is the uncle of [Tejasvi Surya](#).
- 31 May - [West Bengal Chief secretary Alapan Bandyopadhyay](#), who was trapped in an appointment tussle between the [Union government](#) and the [Government of West Bengal](#), resigned.

June

- 1 June -
 - Union Education Minister [Ramesh Pokhriyal](#) was admitted to [AIIMS, Delhi](#) due to post-Covid complications.
 - [Amul](#) vice chairman [Valamji R Humbal](#) urged [Prime Minister Narendra Modi](#) to ban [Non-governmental organization People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals](#) in India alleging conspiracy following remarks made by [PETA](#) to promote [Milk substitute](#) in country.
- 4 June - [Delhi High Court](#) dismissed a lawsuit filed by [Juhi Chawla](#) against setting up of [5G Cellular network](#) in India and imposed a Rs. 20 Lakh fine for abusing the process of law.
- 7 June - [June 2021 Pune fire](#).
- 11 June - Media reports that [Government of India](#) may not allow 4 [Kerala](#) women who have joined [Islamic State of Iraq and the Levant - Khorasan Province](#) to return to India.
- 13 June - [Aam Aadmi Party Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, Sanjay Singh](#) and [Pawan Pandey](#) from [Samajwadi Party](#) alleged that there were financial irregularities that occurred in the purchase of land for the [Ram Mandir, Ayodhya](#) by [Shri Ram Janmabhoomi Teerth Kshetra Trust](#). The politicians alleged that on March 18, 2021, the trust purchased two different plots on same day at two different rates; one transaction appeared manipulated and intended to divert funds.
- 14 June - Following a tweet by [Journalist Sucheta Dalal](#) made on June 12 and decision by [National Securities Depository Limited](#) to freeze three [Foreign portfolio investment funds](#) based in [Port Louis, Mauritius](#) shares of [Adani Group](#) companies fell by 5 - 25%.
- 17 June -

- Student activists from [Pinjra Tod](#) Natasha Narwal and Devangana Kalita, along with Asif Iqbal Tanha from [Jamia Millia Islamia](#) were released from Tihar Jail on Thursday, hours after a trial court ordered their immediate release. They were in custody since May 2020, in relation to a case related to the violence in [2020 Delhi riots](#) following the [Citizenship Amendment Act protests](#). The trial court order came because the activists who were granted bail by Delhi High Court on June 15 were not released even after 36 hours.
- [Press Trust of India](#) reports on the basis of data compiled from [Swiss National Bank](#) that, funds parked by Indian individuals and firms in Swiss banks rose to a 13 year high of 2.55 billion [Swiss franc](#) (over Rs 20,700 crore INR) in 2020. Interestingly amidst this spike, customer account deposits witnessed a dip while money deposited through bonds, securities and other financial instruments rose sharply.
- 22 June
 - A meeting of opposition leaders under the banner of *Rashtra Manch (National Forum)* met in the residence of [Sharad Pawar](#) in [Delhi](#). The group put forward an alternate vision of anti - [BJP](#) third front in [India](#) for [2021 elections in India](#). There were leaders from [All India Trinamool Congress](#), [Aam Aadmi Party](#), [Rashtriya Lok Dal](#), [Nationalist Congress Party](#) who were present in the event. There were no leaders from [Indian National Congress](#), [Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam](#) or [Communist Party of India \(Marxist\)](#). The veteran [BJP](#) leader and [Trinamool](#) leader [Yashwant Sinha](#) who was present in the event said that Manch will remain as a non political action group for the moment. The meeting of leaders took place after meetings between [Prashant Kishor](#) and [Sharad Pawar](#) earlier this month.
 - [Kerala High Court](#) issued an interim stay on two controversial orders of [Lakshadweep](#) administration on [Animal husbandry](#) (closure of dairy farms) and [Midday Meal Scheme](#) (exclusion of [Non-vegetarian](#) items from menu).
- 23 June - [Enforcement Directorate](#) transferred assets worth ₹8,441.50 crore to public sector banks. The banks suffered losses to the tune of ₹22,585.83 crore due to frauds committed by [Vijay Mallya](#), [Nirav Modi](#) and [Mehul Choksi](#). Thus the total assets transferred to the bank worth Rs 9,041.5 crore, representing 40% of the total loss to the banks. The total attachments and assets seized by [Enforcement Directorate](#) amounts to Rs 18,170.02 crore which included assets of Rs 969 crore located in foreign countries. The quantum of the attached and seized assets represents 80.45% of the total bank loss of Rs. 22,585.83 crore.
- 24 June - [Narendra Modi](#) and [Amit Shah](#) meets political leaders from [Jammu and Kashmir](#) all main leaders from [People's Alliance for Gupkar Declaration](#) attended the meeting. PM Modi gives signals regarding elections and restoration of statehood.

- 25 June
 - [M. C. Josephine](#), [Kerala Women's Commission](#) chairperson, resigned following public backlash on her remarks to a woman complaining of domestic violence on June 23 in a live TV show telecasted on [Manorama News](#).
 - [Kerala High Court](#) issued [Anticipatory bail](#) to [Lakshadweep](#) based film maker, [Aisha Sultana](#), against whom sedition charges were imposed on 10 June following a remark made by her against [Union territory](#) administrator [Praful Khoda Patel](#), by calling him '[Bio weapon](#)' in a news debate that happened in a [Malayalam](#) news channel, [MediaOne TV](#).
- 27 June - European Union excludes anti-COVID-19 vaccine Covishield from 'Green Pass' list.
- 28 June - [Qatar's](#) Special Envoy of the State of Qatar for Counterterrorism and Mediation of Conflict Resolution, [Mutlaq bin Majed Al Qahtani](#) made a statement in a web conference that Indian officials have entered into talks with [Talibans](#) political leadership based in Doha.

July

- 1 July - Nine European countries which includes [Switzerland](#), [Estonia](#) and 7 [European Union](#) member states such as [Austria](#), [Germany](#), [Slovenia](#), [Greece](#), [Iceland](#), [Ireland](#) & [Spain](#) have given recognition to the [Covishield](#) vaccine produced by the [Serum Institute of India](#) as EU started 'Green Pass' facility. In the meantime EU member [Germany](#) however has a travel ban in place for [Indians](#) as [India](#) has been recognized as a “virus variant country”.
- 4 July - [Pushkar Singh Dhami](#) is elected as the 11th [Chief Minister of Uttarakhand](#). He is the youngest [chief Minister](#) of the state and is the third [chief Minister](#) within the [4th Uttarakhand Assembly](#).
- 5 July - [Jesuit priest](#) and [tribal rights](#) activist, [Stan Swamy](#) who was arrested in connection with [2018 Bhima Koregaon violence](#) in October 2020, died in custody at [Mumbai](#). He was the oldest [political prisoner](#) in [India](#).
- 6 July - [Government of India](#) creates new ministry named Ministry of Co-operation to strengthen the [Cooperative movement in India](#).
- 7 July - massive reshuffle in the [Union Council of Ministers of Second Modi ministry](#). Twelve existing ministers including [Ministry of Health and Family Welfare](#) [Harsh Vardhan](#), [Minister of Law and Justice](#) [Ravi Shankar Prasad](#), [Prakash Javadekar](#), [D. V. Sadananda Gowda](#) resigns. There are 43 new faces inducted into the ministry including [Ashwini Vaishnaw](#), [Jyotiraditya Scindia](#), [Rajeev Chandrasekhar](#), [Sarbananda Sonowal](#) etc. There was elevation in ranks to few existing ministers such as [Mansukh L. Mandaviya](#), [Kiren Rijiju](#), [Anurag Thakur](#) etc.
- 8 July - violence erupts in 12 districts of [Uttar Pradesh](#) during filing of the nominations for elections to [Panchayat Samiti \(Kshethra Panchayats\)](#). A

video of a woman [Samajwadi Party](#) member being assaulted in [Lakhimpur Kheri district](#) becomes viral in social media and invited criticism.

- 9 July - [External Affairs Minister, S. Jaishankar](#) handed over a relic belonging to [Ketevan the Martyr](#), a royal from the 17th-century, that was preserved in [Church of St. Augustine, Goa](#) to the [Government of Georgia](#) as part of his two-day visit to the country.
- 11 July - An unconfirmed report in a Tamil daily about the Union government's plan to divide [Tamil Nadu](#) and create [Kongu Nadu](#) as a [Union territory](#) sparked row in Tamil Nadu. The report draw cue from a list of newly appointed ministers published by BJP, where [L. Murugan](#), was mentioned as hailing from [Kongu Nadu](#). All major political party except [Bharatiya Janata Party](#) denounced the idea of splitting [Tamil Nadu](#).
- 14 July - The [Supreme Court of India](#) takes *suo moto* case on [Uttar Pradesh's](#) decision to go ahead with [Kanwar Yatra](#) despite apprehensions about a third wave of [COVID-19 pandemic in India](#).
- 15 July - as part of hearings on [Public interest litigation](#) challenging the constitutional validity of [Section 124A of the Indian Penal Code](#), [Supreme Court of India](#) expressed concern over its widespread misuse and lack of accountability of invoking sedition law. The court sought center's response regarding necessity to retain this colonial law.
- 18 July
 - [2021 Mumbai landslide](#)
 - A leaked database of an Israeli surveillance technology firm [NSO Group](#) that sells a spyware called [Pegasus \(spyware\)](#) was accessed by a Paris-based media nonprofit [Forbidden Stories](#) and [Amnesty International](#). The database contained data of government clients of [Pegasus \(spyware\)](#) since 2016. The non profit group worked on this data through an international [collaborative journalism](#) of 17 media groups from 10 countries including [The Wire \(India\)](#), [Le Monde](#), [The Guardian](#), [The Washington Post](#), [Süddeutsche Zeitung](#) etc. The Indian media partner in the group, [The Wire](#) reveals that the data contains more than 300 Indians who were under surveillance through Pegasus. This includes 40 journalists, opposition politicians, a supreme court judge, activists, two ministers of [Modi ministry](#), an [Election Commissioner](#) etc. The prominent people who figured in Pegasus surveillance according to the data were [Rahul Gandhi](#), [Prashant Kishor](#), [Ashok Lavasa](#), [Ranjan Gogoi](#), [Ashwini Vaishnaw](#) etc. The [Prime Minister's Office](#) denied the allegations citing they are baseless and lack concrete evidence.
- 19 July - [Raj Kundra](#), the spouse of [Shilpa Shetty](#) arrested by [Mumbai Police](#) on charges of making [pornographic](#) content and publishing it through mobile application named Hotshot.
- 20 July - In an answer to the [Rajya Sabha](#), to an unstarred question raised by [K. C. Venugopal](#), [Bharati Pawar](#), [Minister of State of Ministry of Health](#)

and Family Welfare said, that there were no deaths due to lack of oxygen in India during the second wave.

- 22 July
 - Income Tax Department conducted raids on Dainik Bhaskar media group.
 - 2021 Maharashtra floods begin
- 23 July - Indian Food delivery company Zomato Initial public offering list in stock market at a premium of 53% over issue price.
- 24 July - Indian weightlifter Saikhom Mirabai Chanu won Olympic silver medal in 2020 Summer Olympics held at Tokyo.
- 25 July - Ramappa Temple in Telangana gets UNESCO World Heritage Site tag.
- 26 July -
 - B. S. Yediyurappa resigns as chief minister of Karnataka.
 - Almost five Assam Police personnel at Cachar district killed as a result of violent clashes between Mizoram Police and Assam Police along the state border following a border dispute.
- 28 July - Basavaraj Bommai, Lingayat leader and son of former chief minister S. R. Bommai takes oath as chief minister of Karnataka.

August

- 1 Aug -
 - Indian player P. V. Sindhu won Olympic bronze medal in 2020 Summer Olympics held at Tokyo. Becoming the first women athlete and second athlete after Sushil Kumar to win two Olympic medals in Olympics for India.
 - a 9 year old Dalit girl was allegedly raped by four men including a Hindu priest and crematorium workers on her way to fetch water. The girl's corpse was forcefully cremated at a crematorium in South West Delhi district by the miscreants.
- 4 Aug -
 - Indian Boxer Lovlina Borgohain, won Olympic bronze medal in 2020 Summer Olympics held at Tokyo in Welterweight category.
 - Indian Women Hockey team player Vandana Katariya's family was abused with caste slurs by upper caste men in Haridwar following the team losing game with Argentina.
 - Flood like situation in Sindh River and Chambal River basin areas in Kota division, Rajasthan and North western Madhya Pradesh.
 - Heavy rains combined with release of water from Maithon Dam, Damodar Valley Corporation results in floods in 300 villages in Hooghly district, West Bengal claiming 23 lives.
- 5 Aug -

- India men's national field hockey team won Olympic bronze medal in 2020 Summer Olympics held at Tokyo.
- Indian Wrestler, Ravi Kumar Dahiya won Olympic silver medal in 2020 Summer Olympics held at Tokyo.
- 6 Aug -
 - Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna Award renamed as Major Dhyan Chand Khel Ratna Award by Prime Minister of India.
 - Indian Women Hockey team lost the bronze medal match against United Kingdom in 2020 Summer Olympics held at Tokyo.
- 7 Aug - Indian athlete Neeraj Chopra won Olympic gold medal in Javelin throw and Indian Wrestler Bajrang Punia won Olympic bronze medal in 2020 Summer Olympics held at Tokyo and India made its highest medal tally in an Olympics with 7 medals.
- 10 Aug - Lok Sabha passes the 127th Constitutional amendment bill, which restores states power to make their own Other Backward Class lists and reverses Supreme Court of India's May 5, 2021 verdict on Maratha quota.
- 11 Aug -
 - Twitter locked official page of Indian National Congress and its five major leaders such as Ajay Maken, Randeep Surjewala etc. following the gag on Rahul Gandhi's official handle.
 - The Lok Sabha and Rajya Sabha ended their monsoon sessions sine die ahead of the scheduled date. There was rumpus in Rajya Sabha between Members of Parliament and marshals following oppositions protests for passing key bills such as General Insurance bill without debate or discussion. The monsoon session was less productive with Lok Sabha working just 19% of its scheduled time and Rajya Sabha working 26%. The lack of consensus between opposition and ruling party resulted in passing of twenty crucial bills (law) without discussion and parliament evading discussion over important issues such as COVID-19 pandemic in India, farm laws, Pegasus (spyware), Ladakh etc.
- 21 Aug - All Tribal Students Union Manipur (ATSUM) calls for 24 hour shutdown in hill districts of Manipur for protesting against Manipur Legislative Assembly which did not bring Manipur (Hill areas) Autonomous District Council Bill, 2021 in its monsoon session.
- 23 Aug - Finance minister of India announced National Monetisation Pipeline (NMP) to sell assets worth Rs. 6 trillion in next four years. This includes Indian Railways assets worth Rs. 1.52 trillion, National highways assets worth Rs. 1.6 trillion, power transmission assets worths Rs. 45,000 crores, warehousing assets worth Rs. 28,900 crores etc.
- 24 Aug - An MBA student from University of Mysore aged 23 years gang raped near Chamundi Hills, Mysore.
- 27 Aug - Bharatiya Janata Party politician and former Member of Parliament, Rajya Sabha, La. Ganesan appointed as Governor of Manipur.

- 28 Aug -
 - [Haryana Police's baton charge](#) on farmers who protested at [Karnal](#) in a [BJP](#) meeting venue as part of [2020–2021 Indian farmers' protest](#) left ten protesters seriously injured. A video of [SDM](#) of district instructing police to break head of protesters invites criticism.
 - [Ministry of Road Transport and Highways](#) introduced new **Bharat (BH) series vehicle registration** in India.
- 29 Aug - In [2020 Summer Paralympics](#) held at Tokyo, Indian [Parathlete Bhavina Patel](#) won silver medal in [Table tennis](#), [N.K. Nishad Kumar](#) won silver in [High jump](#) and [V.K. Vinod Kumar](#) won bronze medal in [Discus throw](#).
- 30 Aug -
 - In [2020 Summer Paralympics](#) held at Tokyo, Indian [Parathlete Avani Lekhara](#) and [Sumit Antil](#) won gold medal in women's 10m air rifle standing and men's javelin throw (F64). [Avani Lekhara](#) became the first Indian woman to win a gold medal at the Paralympics. In [javelin throw F46](#) [Devendra Jhajharia](#) won silver medal and [Sundar Singh Gurjar](#) won bronze medal. In [F56 discus throw](#) [Yogesh Kathuniya](#) won silver medal.
 - [V.K. Vinod Kumar](#) stripped of bronze medal in [F52 discus throw](#) by a panel after he was found not meeting the Paralympics criteria.

September

- 11 Sept - [Chief Minister of Gujarat, Vijay Rupani](#) announces resignation from the post.
- 18 Sept -
 - [Sanjay Pugalia](#) joins [Adani Group](#) to lead groups media initiatives.
 - [Amarinder Singh](#) resigns as [Chief Minister of Punjab \(India\)](#).
- 19 Sept - [Directorate of Revenue Intelligence](#) has impounded two containers carrying about 2,988.22 kg of [Heroin](#) heading from [Afghanistan](#) at [Mundra Port](#) port in [Gujarat](#). It is deemed as one of the largest drug seizures by an [enforcement](#) agency in world till date.
- 20 Sept -
 - An eviction drive by [Government of Assam](#) as part of *Garukhuthi Project* at [Sipajhar, Darrang district](#) turns violent. The videos of policemen firing on unarmed persons and a government-appointed photographer attacking an injured person surfaces and invites criticism.
 - [Charanjit Singh Channi](#) assumes office as [List of chief ministers of Punjab](#). He is the first [dalit chief minister](#) of the state.

October

- 2 Oct - Eight people including [Shah Rukh Khan's](#) son [Aryan Khan](#) arrested by [Narcotics Control Bureau](#) following a drug bust and raid conducted on a cruise vessel named [Cordelia](#) chartered between [Mumbai](#) and [Goa](#).

- 3 Oct - International Consortium of Investigative Journalists began publishing Pandora Papers and around 380 Indians named in the leaks and it includes Sachin Tendulkar, Anil Ambani, Satish Sharma, Niira Radia, Jackie Shroff, Jackie Shroff, Harish Salve, Nirav Modi-Purvi Modi etc.
- 4 Oct - In the Lakhimpur Kheri massacre, eight people including four farmers killed in Lakhimpur Kheri district as Union Minister Ajay Kumar Mishra's son's car runs over protesters who were part of 2020–2021 Indian farmers' protest.
- 8 Oct - Tata Group gets nod to acquire 100% stakes of Air India from Government of India through its subsidiary Talace Private Ltd, as part of Disinvestment of Public Sector Units in India.
- 10 Oct - Almost eight states in India expects power outage due to reduced stocks of Coal as fuel to power the thermal power stations.
- 16 Oct -
 - Indian men's football team wins eighth SAFF Championship by beating Nepal with 3–0 margin.
 - Flash floods and landslides caused by heavy rains in High Range area of Kerala causes 42 deaths and loss of property worth over ₹200 crores.
- 19 Oct - Heavy rains and landslides along Kumaon division of Uttarakhand claims at least 64 lives.
- 21 Oct - India breaches 1 billion COVID-19 vaccine doses administered mark.
- 26 Oct -
 - Central Bureau of Investigation arrests two retired Indian Navy officers in information leak case.
 - Tripura riots - A Mosque vandalised in North Tripura district of Tripura following a Vishva Hindu Parishad rally organized in protest of attacks against Hindus in Bangladesh during Durga Puja.
- 27 Oct - The Supreme Court of India orders to constitute an independent panel to make a comprehensive probe into Pegasus (spyware) snooping scandal.
- 29 Oct - Indian Railway Catering and Tourism Corporation share prices made an unprecedented fluctuation. The share prices plunged 29% in the morning after Ministry of Railways asked IRCTC to share half of its convenience fee collections. However, the stock registered recovery of all losses in the same day after Department of Investment and Public Asset Management announced roll back of this decision.
- 30 Oct -
 - Bollywood actor Shah Rukh Khan's son Aryan Khan released from Mumbai Central Prison after 22 days custody following bail order from Bombay High Court. The court cited in its order that there is no proof for alleged conspiracy charges that were filed against Aryan Khan.

- Malayalam cinema actor Bineesh Kodiyeri, who is also son of Kerala based Communist Party of India (Marxist) leader Kodiyeri Balakrishnan who was jailed at Central Prison, Bangalore in October 2020 in connection with Prevention of Money Laundering Act violations and 2020 Bengaluru drug case released following bail order from Karnataka High Court.

November

- 5 Nov - PM Modi unveiled Adi Shankaracharya's statue in a temple of Shiva, Kedarnath, Uttarakhand. Which was previously destroyed in 2013 flash floods.
- 18 Nov - Share prices of Fintech company Paytm, which done India's biggest Initial public offering worth Rs. 18,300 crores fell by 27.4% on its day of listing thereby marking one of the biggest listing day loss in the history of Indian Stock market.
- 19 Nov -
 - In a televised address to the nation, Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi apologized to the farmers and announces repealing of three Farm Bills following a year long farmers' protest in borders of Delhi.
 - Heavy rains and flash floods hit Rayalaseema claiming at least 29 lives.
- 24 Nov - The prices of Tomato breaches Rs.100 mark in many Indian states.

December

- 2 to 6 Dec - Cyclone Jawad devastated the regions of Andhra Pradesh, West Bengal and Odisha.
- 4 Dec - a special unit of the Indian Army mistakenly opens fire against civilians in Mon district of Nagaland and resultant clashes between civilian protestors and forces leaves 15 civilians and one soldier killed.
- 7 Dec - A Catholic missionary school in the Central Indian state of Madhya Pradesh is attacked and vandalized by a mob of some 500 Hindu extremists, despite school authorities requesting police protection prior to the attack. School principal Brother Anthony Pynumkal told The Indian Express that the mob was armed with iron rods and stones, and chanted Jai Shri Ram while damaging school property.
- 8 Dec - The Chief of Defence Staff Bipin Rawat and 12 others are killed in a chopper crash near Coonoor, Nilgiris district, Tamil Nadu.
- 9 Dec - The 2020–2021 Indian farmers' protest called off as govt agrees to the demands of the farmers.
- 13 Dec - Indian model Harnaaz Sandhu wins Miss Universe.
- 27 Dec - Aam Aadmi Party won most seats in its debut at 2021 Chandigarh Municipal Corporation election.