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(As on 10-11-2009)

Cabinet Ministers

No.	Portfolio	Name of Minister
	Prime Minister and also In-Charge of the Ministries/Departments viz:	
1.	Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions; Ministry of Planning; Ministry of Water Resources; Department of Atomic Energy; and Department of Space	Dr. Manmohan Singh
2.	Minister of Finance	Shri Pranab Mukherjee
3.	Minister of Agriculture and Minister of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution	Shri Sharad Pawar
4.	Minister of Defence	Shri A.K. Antony
5.	Minister of Home Affairs	Shri P. Chidambaram
6.	Minister of Railways	Km. Mamata Banerjee
7.	Minister of External Affairs	Shri S.M. Krishna
8.	Minister of Steel	Shri Virbhadra Singh
9.	Minister of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	Shri Vilasrao Deshmukh
10.	Minister of Health and Family Welfare	Shri Ghulam Nabi Azad
11.	Minister of Power	Shri Sushil Kumar Shinde
12.	Minister of Law and Justice	Shri M. Veerappa Moily
13.	Minister of New and Renewable Energy	Dr. Farooq Abdullah
14.	Minister of Urban Development	Shri S. Jaipal Reddy
15.	Minister of Road Transport and Highways	Shri Kamal Nath
16.	Minister of Overseas Indian Affairs	Shri Vayalar Ravi
17.	Minister of Textiles	Shri Dayanidhi Maran
18.	Minister of Communications and Information Technology	Shri A. Raja
19.	Minister of Petroleum and Natural Gas	Shri Murli Deora
20.	Minister of Information and Broadcasting	Smt. Ambika Soni
21.	Minister of Labour and Employment	Shri Mallikarjun Kharge
22.	Minister of Human Resource Development	Shri Kapil Sibal
23.	Minister of Mines and Minister of Development of North Eastern Region	Shri B.K. Handique
24.	Minister of Commerce and Industry	Shri Anand Sharma
25.	Minister of Rural Development and Minister of Panchayati Raj	Shri C.P. Joshi
26.	Minister of Housing and Urban Poverty Alleviation and Minister of Tourism	Kum. Selja
27.	Minister of Food Processing Industries	Shri Subodh Kant Sahay
28.	Minister of Youth Affairs and Sports	Dr. M.S. Gill
29.	Minister of Shipping	Shri G.K. Vasan

30.	Minister of Parliamentary Affairs	Shri Pawan K. Bansal
31.	Minister of Social Justice and Empowerment	Shri Mukul Wasnik
32.	Minister of Tribal Affairs	Shri Kantilal Bhuria
33.	Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers	Shri M.K. Alagiri

Ministers of State with Independent Charge

No.	Portfolio	Name of Minister
1.	Ministry Civil Aviation Ministry of Science and Technology; Ministry of Earth Sciences; and Minister of State in the Prime Minister's Office;	Shri Praful Patel
2.	Minister of State in the Ministry of Personnel, Public Grievances & Pensions; and Minister of State in the Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	Shri Prithviraj Chavan
3.	Ministry of Coal and Ministry of Statistics and Programme Implementation	Shri Sriprakash Jaiswal
4.	Ministry of Corporate Affairs and Ministry of Minority Affairs	Shri Salman Khursheed
5.	Ministry of Micro, Small and Medium Enterprises	Shri Dinsha J. Patel
6.	Ministry of Women and Child Development	Smt. Krishna Tirath
7.	Ministry of Environment and Forests	Shri Jairam Ramesh

Ministers of State

No.	Portfolio	Name of Minister
1.	Ministry of Chemicals and Fertilizers	Shri Srikant Jena
2.	Ministry of Railways	Shri E. Ahamed
3.	Ministry of Home Affairs	Shri Mullappally Ramachandran
4.	Ministry of Planning and Ministry of Parliamentary Affairs	Shri V. Narayansamy
5.	Ministry of Commerce and Industry	Shri JyotiradityaScindia
6.	Ministry of Human Resource Development	Smt. D. Purandeswari
7.	Ministry of Railways	Shri K.H. Muniyappa
8.	Ministry of Home Affairs	Shri Ajay Maken
9.	Ministry of Textiles	Smt. Panabaka Lakshmi
10.	Ministry of Finance	Shri Namo Narain Meena
11.	Ministry of Defence	Shri M.M. Pallam Raju
12.	Ministry of Urban Development	Shri Saugata Ray
13.	Ministry of Finance	Shri S.S. Palanimanickam
14.	Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas	Shri Jitin Prasad
15.	Ministry of Steel	Shri A. Sai Prathap

16.	Ministry of External Affairs	Smt. Preneet Kaur
17.	Ministry of Communications and Information Technology	Shri Gurdas Kamat
18.	Ministry of Labour and Employment	Shri Harish Rawat
19.	Ministry of Agriculture and Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food & Public Distribution	Professor K.V. Thomas
20.	Ministry of Power	Shri Bharatsinh Solanki
21.	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways	Shri Mahadev S. Khandela
22.	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	Shri Dinesh Trivedi
23.	Ministry of Rural Development	Shri Sisir Adhikari
24.	Ministry of Tourism	Shri Sultan Ahmed
25.	Ministry of Shipping	Shri Mukul Roy
26.	Ministry of Information and Broadcasting	Shri Mohan Jatua
27.	Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment	Shri D. Napoleon
28.	Ministry of Information and Broadcasting	Dr. S. Jagathrakshakan
29.	Ministry of Health and Family Welfare	Shri S. Gandhiselvan
30.	Ministry of Tribal Affairs	Shri Tusharbai Chaudhary
31.	Ministry of Communications and Information Technology	Shri Sachin Pilot
32.	Ministry of Youth Affairs and Sports	Shri Arun Yadav
33.	Ministry of Heavy Industries and Public Enterprises	Shri Pratik Prakashbapu Patil
34.	Ministry of Road Transport and Highways	Shri R.P.N. Singh
35.	Ministry of External Affairs	Shri Shashi Tharoor
36.	Ministry of Water Resources	Shri Vincent Pala
37.	Ministry of Rural Development	Shri Pradeep Jain
38.	Ministry of Rural Development	Ms. Agatha Sangma

Governors

Andhra Pradesh	Shri N.D. Tiwari
Arunachal Pradesh	General (Rtd.) J.J. Singh
Assam	Shri Syed Sibtey Razi
Bihar	Shri Devanand Konwar
Chhattisgarh	Shri E.S.L. Narasimhan
Goa	Dr. Shivinder Singh Sidhu
Gujarat	Shri S. C. Jamir
Haryana	Shri Jagannath Pahadia
Himachal Pradesh	Smt. Prabha Raul

Jammu and Kashmir	Shri N. N. Vohra
Jharkhand	Shri K. Sankaranarayanan
Karnataka	Shri H.R. Bhardwaj
Kerala	Shri R.S. Gavai
Madhya Pradesh	Shri Rameshwar Thakur
Maharashtra	Shri S.C. Jamir
Manipur	Shri Gurbachan Jagat
Meghalaya	Shri Ranjit Shekhar Mooshahary
Mizoram	Lt. Gen. (Retd.) M.M. Lakhera, PVSM,AVSM,VSM
Nagaland	Shri Gurbachan Jagat
Orissa	Shri Murlidhar Chandrakant Bhandare
Punjab	Gen. (Retd.) S.F. Rodrigues, PVSM, VSM
Rajasthan	Shri S.K. Singh
Sikkim	Shri Balmiki Prasad Singh
Tamil Nadu	Shri Surjit Singh Barnala
Tripura	Shri Dinesh Nandan Sahaya
Uttar Pradesh	Shri B.L. Joshi
Uttarakhand	Smt. Margaret Alva
West Bengal	Shri Gopalkrishna Gandhi

Chief Ministers

Andhra Pradesh	Shri K. Rosaiah
Arunachal Pradesh	Shri Dorjee Khandu
Assam	Shri Tarun Gogoi
Bihar	Shri Nitish Kumar
Chhattisgarh	Dr. Raman Singh
Delhi	Smt Sheila Dikshit
Goa	Shri Digambar Kamat
Gujarat	Shri Narendra Modi
Haryana	Shri Bhupinder Singh Hooda
Himachal Pradesh	Prof. Prem Kumar Dhumal
Jammu and Kashmir	Shri Omar Abdullah
Jharkhand	President's Rule
Karnataka	Shri B. S. Yeddyurappa
Kerala	Shri V. S. Achuthanandan
Madhya Pradesh	Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan
Maharashtra	Shri Ashok Chavan
Manipur	Shri Okram Ibobi Singh
Meghalaya	Dr. Dethwelson Lapang

Mizoram	Shri Lalthanhawla
Nagaland	Shri Neiphiu Rio
Orissa	Shri Naveen Patnaik
Puducherry	Thiru. V. Vaithilingam
Punjab	Shri Parkash Singh Badal
Rajasthan	Shri Ashok Gehlot
Sikkim	Shri Pawan Chamling
Tamil Nadu	Kalaingar M. Karunanidhi
Tripura	Shri Manik Sarkar
Uttar Pradesh	Kumari Mayawati
Uttarakhand	Dr. Ramesh Pokhriyal
West Bengal	Shri Buddhadeb Bhattacharjee

Lt. Governors & Administrators

Andaman and Nicobar Islands	Lt. Gen. (Retd) Bhopinder Singh, PVSM, AVSM (Lieutenant Governor)
Chandigarh	Gen. (Retd.) S.F. Rodrigues, PVSM, VSM (Administrator)
Dadra and Nagar Haveli	Shri Satya Gopal, IAS (Administrator)
Daman and Diu	Shri Satya Gopal, IAS (Administrator)
Delhi	Shri Tejendra Khanna (Lieutenant Governor)
Lakshadweep (UT)	Shri J.K. Dadoo
Puducherry (UT)	Shri Iqbal Singh

Chiefs of Defence Forces

Chief of Air Staff:	Air Marshal Pradeep Vasant Naik, PVSM, VSM, ADC
Chief of Army Staff:	General Deepak Kapoor, PVSM, AVSM, SM, VSM, ADC
Chief of Naval Staff:	Admiral Nirmal Verma, PVSM, AVSM, ADC
Chief of Integrated - Defence Staff:	Lt. Gen Hardev Singh Lidder UYSM, YSM, VSM, ADC

CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA

Supreme Court K.G.Balakrishnan

Chief Justice, Madras High Court Hon'ble Thiru. Justice Hemant Laxman Gokhale

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Profile: President of India

Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil was born on December 19, 1934 in Nadgaon village of Jalgaon District, Maharashtra.



Smt. Patil assumed office as the 12th President of India on July 25, 2007. She is the first woman to have been elected to this august office.

Immediately prior to election as the President of India, Smt. Patil was the Governor of Rajasthan from November 8, 2004 till June 21, 2007.

Education:

Smt. Patil received her early education from RR Vidyalaya, Jalgaon and later obtained her Master's degree in Political Science and Economics from the Mooljee Jetha College, Jalgaon. Later, she obtained the degree of Bachelor of Laws (LL.B.) from Government Law College, Bombay (Mumbai). While in college, she took active part in sports, excelled in table tennis and won several shields at various Inter-collegiate tournaments. Even as an MLA, she pursued her studies as a law student.

Professional Career:

Smt. Patil started her professional career as a practicing lawyer at the Jalgaon District Court and simultaneously devoted herself to various social activities, especially, for the upliftment of poor women.

Political Career:

At the young age of 27 years, she successfully contested her first election to the Maharashtra State Legislature from the Jalgaon Assembly constituency. Subsequently she was continuously elected four times as MLA from the Edlbad (Muktai Nagar) constituency till 1985. Thereafter, she served as a Member of Parliament in the Rajya Sabha from 1985 to 1990 and later elected as a Member of Parliament to the 10th Lok Sabha in the 1991 General Elections from the Amravati constituency. She enjoys the unique distinction of not having lost a single election that she contested till date.

Smt. Pratibha Devisingh Patil in her long stint in Maharashtra has held various positions both in the Government and the Legislative Assembly of Maharashtra. She was:

- Deputy Minister, Public Health, Prohibition, Tourism, Housing and Parliamentary Affairs, Government of Maharashtra from 1967 to 1972,
- Cabinet Minister, Social Welfare, Government of Maharashtra from 1972 to 1974,
- Cabinet Minister, Public Health and Social Welfare, Government of Maharashtra from 1974 to 1975,
- Cabinet Minister, Prohibition, Rehabilitation and Cultural Affairs, Government of Maharashtra from 1975 to 1976,
- Cabinet Minister, Education, Government of Maharashtra from 1977 to 1978,
- Cabinet Minister, Urban Development and Housing, Government of Maharashtra from 1982 to 1983, and
- Cabinet Minister, Civil Supplies and Social Welfare, Government of Maharashtra from 1983 to 1985.
- While in the Opposition, she also served as the Leader of Opposition in the Legislative Assembly of Maharashtra from July 1979 to February 1980.

While in the Rajya Sabha, Smt. Patil was the Deputy Chairperson, Rajya Sabha from 1986 to 1988 and also served as the Chairperson, Rajya Sabha from 25.7.1987 to 2.9.1987 when Dr. R. Venkataraman got elected as President of India. She was also the Chairperson, Committee of Privileges, Rajya Sabha and Member, Business Advisory Committee, Rajya Sabha from 1986 to 1988. While in the Lok Sabha, Smt. Patil was the Chairperson, House Committee.

Public Life:

In her long public life, she has been associated with several institutions in wide ranging capacities. She served as Chairperson, Maharashtra State Water Pollution Control Board from 1982 to 1985. She was also the President, Maharashtra Pradesh Congress Committee (PCC) from 1988 to 1990. Besides holding the position of Director and Vice-Chairperson, National Federation of Urban Cooperative Banks and Credit Societies, she also served as Member, Governing Council, National Cooperative Union of India and Chairperson, 20-Point Programme Implementation Committee, Government of Maharashtra.

Smt. Patil has represented India in various international fora. She attended the International Council on Social Welfare conferences at Nairobi and at Puerto Rico. She was a Member of the AICC(I) delegation to Bulgaria in 1985 and represented as Member, Commonwealth Presiding Officers Conference in London in 1988. She led the Indian delegation to the Conference on the 'Status of Women' in Austria and was a delegate at the World Women's Conference, Beijing, China in September 1995.

Social and Cultural Activities:

Throughout her public life, Smt. Patil has worked actively for the welfare of women and children and the underprivileged sections of society. For their benefit, she established several institutions for them. To name a few, she had set up:

- i. hostels for working women in Mumbai and Delhi,

- ii. an Engineering College at Jalgaon for rural youth,
- iii. the Shram Sadhana Trust which takes part in multifarious welfare activities for development of women,
- iv. an Industrial Training School for the visually handicapped in Jalgaon,
- v. schools for poor children of Vimukta Jatis (Nomadic Tribes) and for children of Backward Classes in Amravati District and
- vi. a Krishi Vigyan Kendra (Farmer's Training Centre) at Amravati, Maharashtra.

She played a pioneering role in setting up the Mahila Vikas Mahamandal, a Maharashtra State Government undertaking for the development of women.

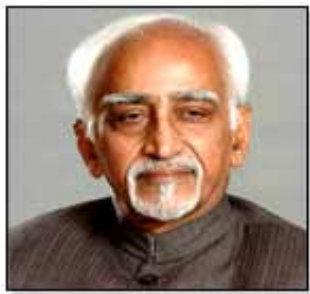
She was instrumental in organizing music, computer and sewing classes for the poor and needy women at Amravati, Maharashtra. Smt. Patil also organized the Women's Home Guard in Jalgaon District and was their Commandant in 1962.

Family Life:

Smt. Patil is married to Dr. Devisingh Ramsingh Shekhawat. Dr. Shekhawat obtained his Ph.D. in the discipline of Chemistry from Haffkine Institute, Mumbai. An educationist and a social worker in his own right, he became the first Mayor of Amravati Municipal Corporation and he has also represented Amravati constituency as its MLA. She has two children, a daughter, Smt. Jyoti Rathore and a son, Shri Rajendra Singh.

Profile: Vice President of India

Shri Mohd. Hamid Ansari



Father's Name: Mohammad Abdul Aziz Ansari

Mother's Name: Mrs. Aasiya Begum

Date of Birth: 1 April 1937

Place of Birth: Calcutta

Marital Status: Married

Spouse's Name: Mrs. Salma Ansari

Children: Two sons and one daughter

Educational Qualifications: BA (Hons); MA (Political Science)

Permanent Address: D-55, IFS Apartments, Mayur Vihar, Phase-I, Delhi - 110091

Present Address: Vice-President House, 6, Maulana Azad Road, New Delhi - 110011 Tel. - 23016422, 23016344

Positions Held:

- Joined the Indian Foreign Service (IFS) in 1961 and served in Indian missions in Baghdad, Rabat, Jeddah and Brussels
- Ambassador to the United Arab Emirates (1976-1979)
- Chief of Protocol to Govt. of India (1980-1985)
- High Commissioner to Australia (1985-1989)
- Ambassador to Afghanistan (1989-1990)
- Ambassador to Iran (1990-1992)
- Permanent Representative to the UN, New York (1993-1995)
- Ambassador to Saudi Arabia (1995-1999)
- Visiting Professor, Centre for West Asian and African Studies, Jawaharlal Nehru University, New Delhi (Dec 1999-May 2000)
- Vice-Chancellor, Aligarh Muslim University, Aligarh (2000-2002)
- Distinguished Fellow at the Observer Research Foundation, New Delhi (2002-2006)
- Visiting Professor, Academy for Third World Studies, Jamia Millia Islamia, New Delhi (2003-2005)
- Co - Chairman, India-U.K. Round Table (2004-2006)
- Member, National Security Advisory Board (2004-2006)
- Chairman, Advisory Committee for Oil Diplomacy, Ministry of Petroleum and Natural Gas (2004-2005)
- Chairman, Working Group on 'Confidence building measures across segments of society in the State', established by the second Round Table Conference of the Prime Minister on Jammu and Kashmir, held at Srinagar, 24-25 May, 2006; the report of the Working Group was adopted by the 3rd Round Table held at New Delhi, 24 April 2007
- Chairman, Fifth Statutory National Commission for Minorities (March 2006-July 2007)
- Vice President of India and ex officio Chairman, Rajya Sabha since 11th August 2007.

Books Published: Edited, Iran Today: Twenty Five Years After the Islamic Revolution, New Delhi, 2005; has written several academic papers and newspaper articles on West Asian Politics.

Awards: Padma Shri (1984); **Sports:** Golf and Cricket

Institutes/Clubs: India International Centre, Institute of Defence Studies and Analysis (IDSA), United Services Institution Delhi Golf Club, Delhi Gymkhana Club, Noida Golf Club

Countries Visited: Visited many countries during the diplomatic and academic career.

Profile: Prime Minister India

India's fourteenth Prime Minister, Dr. Manmohan Singh is rightly acclaimed as a thinker and a scholar. He is well regarded for his diligence and his academic approach to work, as well as his accessibility and his unassuming demeanour.

Prime Minister Manmohan Singh was born on September 26, 1932, in a village in the Punjab province of undivided India. Dr. Singh completed his Matriculation examinations from the Panjab University in 1948. His academic career took him from Punjab to the University of Cambridge, UK, where he earned a First Class Honours degree in Economics in 1957. Dr. Singh followed this with a D.Phil in Economics from Nuffield College at Oxford University in 1962. His book, "India's Export Trends and Prospects for Self-Sustained Growth" [Clarendon Press, Oxford, 1964] was an early critique of India's inward-oriented trade policy.



Dr. Singh's academic credentials were burnished by the years he spent on the faculty of Punjab University and the prestigious Delhi School of Economics. He had a brief stint at the UNCTAD Secretariat as well, during these years. This presaged a subsequent appointment as Secretary General of the South Commission in Geneva between 1987 and 1990.

In 1971, Dr. Singh joined the Government of India as Economic Advisor in the Commerce Ministry. This was soon followed by his appointment as Chief Economic Advisor in the Ministry of Finance in 1972. Among the many Governmental positions that Dr. Singh has occupied are Secretary in the Ministry of Finance; Deputy Chairman of the Planning Commission; Governor of the Reserve Bank of India; Advisor of the Prime Minister; and Chairman of the University Grants Commission.

In what was to become the turning point in the economic history of independent India, Dr. Singh spent five years between 1991 and 1996 as India's Finance Minister. His role in ushering in a comprehensive policy of economic reforms is now recognized worldwide. In the popular view of those years in India, that period is inextricably associated with the persona of Dr. Singh.

Among the many awards and honours conferred upon Dr. Singh in his public career, the most prominent are India's second highest civilian honour, the Padma Vibhushan (1987); the Jawaharlal Nehru Birth Centenary Award of the Indian Science Congress (1995); the Asia Money Award for Finance Minister of the Year (1993 and 1994); the Euro Money Award for Finance Minister of the Year (1993), the Adam Smith Prize of the University of Cambridge (1956); and the Wright's Prize for Distinguished Performance at St. John's College in Cambridge

(1955). Dr. Singh has also been honoured by a number of other associations including by the Japanese Nihon Keizai Shimbun.

Dr. Singh has represented India at many international conferences and in several international organizations. He has led Indian Delegations to the Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting in Cyprus (1993) and to the World Conference on Human Rights in Vienna in 1993.

In his political career, Dr. Singh has been a Member of India's Upper House of Parliament (the Rajya Sabha) since 1991, where he was Leader of the Opposition between 1998 and 2004.

Dr. Singh and his wife Mrs. Gursharan Kaur have three daughters.

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