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Where was the 52nd G7 Summit held in 2026, and why did India attend?

This lesson covers the June 2026 G7 summit in France and India's role in it.

The idea in brief

- **Venue and dates:** Evian, France; 15-17 June 2026.
- **Host:** President Emmanuel Macron.
- **India:** invited partner; 13th appearance; Modi's seventh in a row.
- **Priorities:** imbalances, critical minerals, crises, organised crime.
- **Modi-Trump:** met 17 June.

The Summit and India's Place in It

What is the G7, and what was the 52nd summit?

The **G7** is a group of rich, large economies. Its leaders meet once a year.

The **52nd G7 Summit** was held in **Evian, France**. It ran from **15 to 17 June 2026**.

France held the presidency. **Emmanuel Macron** was the host.

Sources: newsarenaindia.com; tribuneindia.com

What did France want the summit to focus on?

The French presidency picked a few priorities. One was **cutting big gaps in trade and savings** between economies.

Another was **strengthening critical mineral supply chains**. Critical minerals are needed for batteries, chips and clean energy.

It also named **major world crises** and **organised crime**.

Sources: newsarenaindia.com

> **Quick check 1.** True or false: Strengthening critical mineral supply chains was a French presidency priority. *(True or False?)* See answer ↓

Why does India attend the G7?

India is not a G7 member. It joins as an **invited partner country**.

This was India's **13th appearance**. It was also **Prime Minister Modi's seventh straight** G7 summit.

The MEA said this shows India's growing role on peace, safety, growth and the environment.

Sources: newsarenaindia.com; newsonair.gov.in

> **Quick check 2.** True or false: India is a full member of the G7. *(True or False?)* See answer ↓

Outreach Sessions and Meetings

What happened in the outreach session on 16 June?

Modi joined a working session on **"Forging New Partnerships and Rebuilding International Solidarity"**.

It had G7 leaders, partner countries and senior staff from the **World Bank** and the **African Development Bank**.

The MEA said the talks on 16 and 17 June would cover new partnerships, help for poorer nations, fair growth and safe use of **AI**.

Sources: newsonair.gov.in; newsarenaindia.com

Whom did Modi meet on the sidelines?

AIR said he was scheduled to meet Canada's **Mark Carney**, the UK's **Keir Starmer** and UAE President **Sheikh Mohamed bin Zayed**.

On 17 June he spoke with European Council chief **Antonio Costa**, Kenya's **William Ruto** and Italy's **Giorgia Meloni**.

Sources: newsonair.gov.in; tribuneindia.com

What came out of the Modi-Trump meeting?

Modi and US President **Donald Trump** met on 17 June. Trump said it was a "very good" conversation.

He said the two countries are working on trade deals. He also said he will visit India "sometime in the future".

Sources: al-monitor.com

> **Quick check 3.** True or false: Modi and Trump met on the sidelines of the Evian summit on 17 June. *(True or False?)* See answer ↓

Exam Traps

The summit was in **Evian**, France. Do not pick Paris or Nice.

India is a partner, not a member. It attended for the 13th time.

Dates are 15 to 17 June 2026. India’s outreach sessions were on 16 and 17 June.

Critical minerals were a priority. Do not confuse the G7 with the G20 or BRICS.

Practice MCQs

1. Where was the 52nd G7 Summit held in June 2026?

A. Evian

B. Paris

C. Lyon

D. Nice

See answer ↓

2. Which leader held the G7 presidency and hosted the 2026 summit?

A. Emmanuel Macron

B. Giorgia Meloni

C. Friedrich Merz

D. Keir Starmer

See answer ↓

3. How many times has India taken part in a G7 summit, counting the 2026 one?

A. Tenth

B. Seventh

C. Fifteenth

D. Thirteenth

See answer ↓

4. Modi's 2026 G7 visit was his how-manieth consecutive G7 summit?

A. Fifth

B. Seventh

C. Fourth

D. Ninth

See answer ↓

5. Which was named among the French presidency's priorities for the 2026 summit?

A. Nuclear disarmament

B. Banning cryptocurrencies

C. Strengthening critical mineral supply chains

D. Space exploration treaties

See answer ↓

6. Which two institutions sent senior representatives to the 16 June outreach working session?

A. UNESCO and WHO

B. IMF and WTO

C. ADB and NDB

D. World Bank and African Development Bank

See answer ↓

7. Who among these did Modi interact with on 17 June at Evian, per the ANI report?

A. Australia's Albanese

B. Kenya's William Ruto

C. Japan's Takaichi

D. Brazil's Lula

See answer ↓

Answer Key

1. **A.**
   The summit was held in Evian, France, from 15 to 17 June 2026.
   Sources: News Arena (MEA briefing) · Tribune (ANI).
   ↑ Q1
2. **A.**
   France held the presidency, so President Emmanuel Macron hosted the summit.
   Sources: News Arena (MEA briefing) · Akashvani (AIR).
   ↑ Q2
3. **D.**
   The MEA said this was India's 13th appearance as a partner nation.
   Sources: News Arena (MEA briefing) · Akashvani (AIR).
   ↑ Q3
4. **B.**
   The MEA called it Modi's seventh consecutive participation.
   Sources: News Arena (MEA briefing) · Akashvani (AIR).
   ↑ Q4
5. **C.**
   News Arena reports the priorities included strengthening critical mineral supply chains.
   Sources: News Arena (MEA briefing) · Akashvani (AIR).
   ↑ Q5
6. **D.**
   AIR reports representatives of the World Bank and the African Development Bank joined the session.
   Sources: Akashvani (AIR) · News Arena (MEA briefing).
   ↑ Q6
7. **B.**
   ANI reports Modi interacted with leaders from Italy, the European Union and Kenya, including William Ruto.
   Sources: Tribune (ANI) · Akashvani (AIR).
   ↑ Q7

Quick-check answers

1. **True.** News Arena reports the French presidency listed critical mineral supply chains among its priorities. ↑ 1
2. **False.** India attended as a partner nation on invitation. It is not a member. ↑ 2
3. **True.** Reuters reports the bilateral meeting took place in Evian on 17 June. ↑ 3

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