India

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# Chairmanship

of the

**Asian Productivity Organization (APO)** 

2025–2026 Term | Advancing Productivity Across Asia-Pacific

# India's Leadership & APO Framework





# India Takes the Lead in Asia-Pacific Productivity Agenda

India assumed the Chairmanship of the APO for the 2025–2026 term at the 67th Governing Body Meeting (GBM), held from 20–22 May 2025 in Jakarta, Indonesia.

Mr. Amardeep Singh Bhatia, Secretary, Department for Promotion of Industry and Internal Trade (DPIIT), Ministry of Commerce and Industry, is serving as APO Chair, in his capacity as APO Director for India.

# About the Asian Productivity Organization (APO)

Established in 1961, the APO is an intergovernmental organization aimed at enhancing productivity, competitiveness, and innovation in the Asia-Pacific through policy support, training, and collaboration.

India is a founding member of the APO.



### Member Countries

Bangladesh	Cambodia	Fiji
India	Indonesia	Iran
Japan	Korea (RoK)	Lao PDR
Malaysia	Mongolia	Nepal
Pakistan	Philippines	Singapore
Sri Lanka	Taiwan	Thailand
Türkiye	Vietnam	

## Mission, Vision and Srategic Goals of APO



**Mission -** To contribute to sustainable socioeconomic development through productivity enhancement.



**Vision** - Inclusive, innovation-led productivity growth in the region.



Strategic Goals - Sustained productivity growth

#### National Productivity Council (NPC): India's National Productivity Organisation (NPO)

NPC serves as India's official NPO, executing APO initiatives nationally and promoting productivity, innovation, and sustainable development across sectors.

#### India's Priorities as APO Chair

India will champion:

- ✓ APO Vision 2030 implementation
- ✓ Expansion of Green Productivity 2.0
- ✓ Strengthening digital innovation and sustainability
- ✓ Inclusive, demand-driven APO programs and reforms
- ✓ Productivity fair to showcase best practices in region and APO Awards alongside GBM

#### India's Commitment to Regional Productivity Leadership

With strong institutional capacity, global partnerships, and progressive reforms, India is shaping a productive, innovative, and inclusive Asia-Pacific future.

By chairing the APO, hosting the 68th GBM, leading multicountry efforts, and promoting sustainable productivity, India reaffirms its strategic leadership in the region.

#### Flagship APO programs in India

#### **APO In-Country Programs**

India actively organizes APO In-Country Programs tailored to national productivity needs, including:

- Sectoral productivity enhancement (industry, agriculture, public service)
- MSME competitiveness & digital readiness
- Green technologies and sustainability frameworks
- Innovation-led service delivery in government

These programs build capacities of Indian professionals through hands-on learning, national policy alignment, and expert exchange.

#### **APO Multicountry Programs**

India is a key host and participant in APO Multicountry Programs, which bring together professionals from all member economies to:

- Share best practices and emerging technologies
- Co-develop productivity tools and strategies
- Foster regional cooperation in smart manufacturing, climate resilience, digital governance, publicsector reform, and more

Through active involvement in Multi Country Programs, India strengthens its regional partnerships while contributing thought leadership to APO's agenda.

#### CoE on IT for Industry 4.0 (CoE: IT for I4.0)

Established by NPC & APO, Japan

#### **Objectives**

- Create awareness on Industry 4.0
- Demonstrate connected technologies
- · Disseminate use cases to industry stakeholders

This Centre showcases India's commitment to enabling future-ready industrial ecosystems.

#### CETEE - Centre of Excellence for Training in Energy Efficiency

Joint Indo-Japanese Government Initiative

#### Supported by:

- Bureau of Energy Efficiency (BEE), Ministry of Power, Govt. of India
- New Energy and Industrial Technology Development Organization (NEDO), Japan

CETEE provides hands-on, experiential training on energy-saving technologies using live industrial equipment.

#### **Facilities Include:**

• Pump, Fan, Boiler, Steam Trap, Open Burner, and Combustion Furnace Training Labs

CETEE empowers trainees with real-world operational skills in energy efficiency and performance optimization.

#### India's APO Programs & Productivity Ecosystem

#### Flagship APO Training Programs in India (2025) and GBM 2026

- Training Course on Upskilling and Reskilling the Public-sector Workforce
  New Delhi | 1-5 December 2025
- Training Course on Enhancing Utility Energy Performance Chennai | 22–26 September 2025

These programs strengthen regional capacity in digital governance and energy efficiency, aligned with SDGs and productivity goals.

#### India to Host the 68th APO Governing Body Meeting

#### May 2026 | India

As part of its chairmanship, the Government of India will host the 68th APO GBM, showcasing its leadership in sustainable, innovation-led productivity transformation.

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