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1. 100 national monuments to be illuminated to mark India's assumption of G -20 Presidency on 1 December 2022 (Nov. 30, 2022)

100 national monuments to be illuminated

The Government of India has decided to illuminate **100 monuments** in the country with the **G20 logo** on **1 December 2022** to mark the first day of India's Presidency of the G-20 group.

During the G-20 Bali Summit in Indonesia, the Indonesian President <u>Joko Widodo</u> handed over the presidency to Prime Minister Modi symbolically, on 16 November 2022. But officially India will take over the G-20 presidency on 1 December 2022. India will be holding the G-20 presidency from **1 December 2022 to 30 November 2023.**

During the course of its Presidency, India will be holding about 200 meetings in 32 different sectors in multiple locations across the country.

The **18th G-20 Leaders' Summit** at the level of heads of state/government is scheduled to be held on September 9-10, 2023 in New Delhi.

Logo

The G20 Logo draws inspiration from the vibrant colours of India's national flag – **saffron,** white and green, and blue.

It juxtaposes planet Earth with the lotus, India's national flower that reflects growth amid challenges. The Earth reflects India's pro-planet approach to life, one in perfect harmony with nature.

Below the G20 logo is "Bharat", written in the Devanagari script.

Theme

The theme of India's G20 Presidency - "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" or "One Earth One Family One Future" - is drawn from the ancient Sanskrit text of the Maha Upanishad.

Essentially, the theme affirms the value of all life, human, animal, plant, and microorganisms and their interconnectedness on the planet Earth and in the wider universe.

Message of the Logo and Theme

The logo and the theme together convey a powerful message of India's G20 Presidency, which is of striving for just and equitable growth for all in the world, in these turbulent times, in a sustainable, holistic, responsible, and inclusive manner.

For India, the G20 Presidency also marks the beginning of "Amritkaal", the 25-year period beginning from the 75th anniversary of its independence on 15 August 2022,

Group of 20 or G-20 is a multilateral organisation of 19 countries and the European Union was set up in 1999.India has been a member of the G20 since its inception in 1999.