

Political Map of India

There is some latest news about political map of India according to the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019. This particular bill was presented in the Rajya Sabha on 5th August 2019.

- It aimed to bifurcate Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories - Jammu and Kashmir Union Territory and Ladakh Union Territory.
- It changed the number of Indian states and UTs in India as both the Parliamentary houses consented to the bill.
- This way, India now has 28 states and 8 Union Territories.
- On 26th January 2020, Daman & Diu and Dadra & Nagar Haveli were merged.



India Political Map 2022 - Latest Modifications

Several adaptations in the political map of India took place after the bifurcation of the Jammu and Kashmir state into two Union Territories, which include the following.

Two independent lieutenant Governors oversee both the Union Territories (LG), according to the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act, 2019.

Union Territory of Ladakh	Union Territory of Jammu & Kashmir
It will include Leh and Kargil districts.	It consists of the remaining territories of Jammu and Kashmir's existing state.
It will be without a legislature like Chandigarh.	It would have a legislature like Puducherry.
The Central government will have direct control of this UT.	The Centre will be in direct authority of the police and law and order.

India Political Map with States and Union Territories

Given below is the India map with states and its Union Territories. The number of states and Union Territories have changed after the Jammu and Kashmir Reorganisation Act of 2019.

Union Territories	States
Andaman and Nicobar Islands	Andhra Pradesh
Chandigarh	Arunachal Pradesh
Dadra and Nagar Haveli & Daman and Diu	Assam
Delhi	Bihar
Jammu & Kashmir	Chhattisgarh
Ladakh	Goa
Lakshadweep	Gujarat
Puducherry	Haryana
	Himachal Pradesh
	Jharkhand
	Karnataka
	Kerala
	Madhya Pradesh
	Maharashtra
	Manipur
	Meghalaya
	Mizoram
	Nagaland
	Odisha
	Punjab
	Rajasthan
	Sikkim
	Tamil Nadu
	Telangana
	Tripura
	Uttarakhand
	Uttar Pradesh
	West Bengal

Types of Political Map of India

Political maps show components of the region the map is focused on and help understand how humans interact with a particular region. A political map does not bear any topographic characteristics and demonstrates the location of cities with reference to one another.

Some examples of political features that are shown on political maps are

- Country's border
- Public transportation
- Water bodies
- Small regions
- Roads
- Cities and towns.

India Political Map- Major Divisions

India is a huge country that consists of 28 States and 9 Union Territories, observable in a political map of India. The political division of India has been done in the following ways.

- The division of states and UTs is based on the languages people speak in those regions.
- The country has a Central or Union Government having its capital, New Delhi, which formulates all the rules and regulations for the entire nation.
- India is divided further into smaller regions called States, as Central Government cannot keep an eye on law and order in each part of the country.
- Every state of India has its capital and an elected Government with important officers like the Governor (head of state), the Chief Minister, and other Ministers.
- Union Territories are the areas of the country controlled directly by the Central Government.

Uses of Political Map of India

Individuals in various Government sectors use political maps of India to understand the political boundaries and their prominent role in decision-making.

- A political map represents where each district starts and ends and how many people live or work there.
- They show diverse communities for municipal services.
- It portrays various geographic boundaries and restricted areas of the country in the northern and southern zones, as well as the ethnic attributes of India from east to west.
- It also illustrates diverse factors of railways, highways, and the network passage that acts as a cultural network linking various parts of the country.
- A political map of India can help define regional socio-political conventions that impact group activity and government results.