

# [News story: Prime Minister of India's visit, April 2018](#)

*Updated:* closer military ties announcement added

Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi has today begun his second visit to the UK as an official Guest of Government, as part of the [Commonwealth Heads of Government Meeting](#).

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## **Prime Ministers' meeting**

[Prime Minister Theresa May met with Prime Minister Narendra Modi](#).

They held wide-ranging and constructive discussions and underlined our strategic partnership and growing convergence on regional and international issues.

Read the [UK-India joint statement](#).

## **Memorandums of Understanding, agreements and partnership announcements**

The UK and Indian governments announced a wide range of new initiatives and agreements.

View the full list of [Memorandums of Understanding and agreements](#).

## **Health**

The United Kingdom and India will [extend their health partnership](#) and share research, knowledge and technology in areas of anti-microbial resistance, low cost health products and high yield crops.

## **Research**

The UK will continue to [grow our already strong research partnership](#) with India with tech-focused investments that focus on issues of global importance including agriculture, clean energy, global health and the environment.

## **Tech**

A [new UK-India Tech Partnership](#) will pair businesses, universities and others from different regions in the UK with states in India.

## **Trade**

A [new India-UK Trade Partnership](#) will seek to improve the accessibility of trade and remove barriers for businesses in both countries.

[UK-India trade links](#)

## **Closer military ties**

The UK and India will [continue to strengthen their defence and security relationship](#), working more closer together than ever before to tackle terrorism and threats to cyber security.

## **UK-India cultural links**

The UK and India are joined by a 'living bridge' as thousands of British and Indian people live, work and study together each year.

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