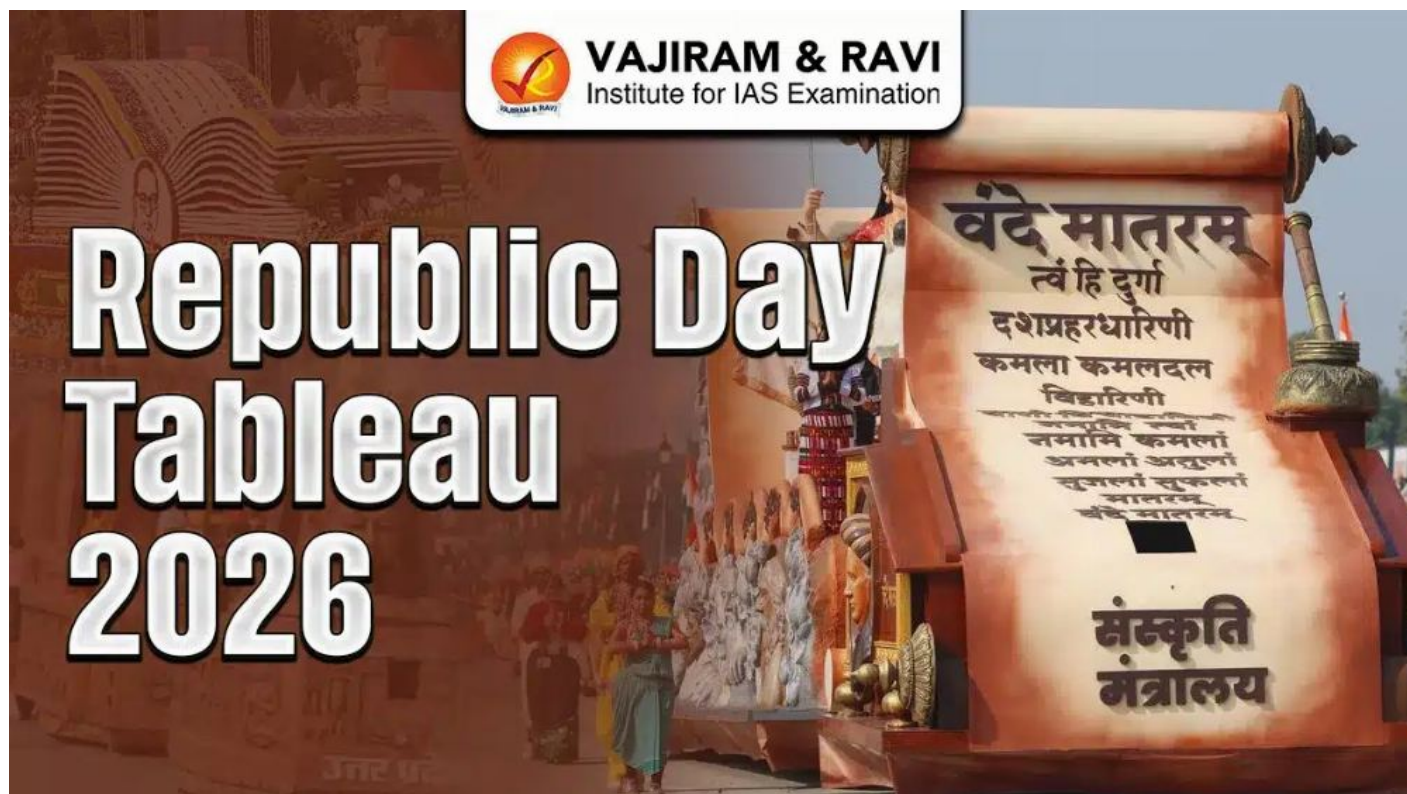


Republic Day Tableau 2026, Meaning, List, Theme, Winners

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Republic Day tableau is an important cultural feature of the Republic Day Parade showcasing India's rich Culture, heritage, historical legacy, achievements and vision. On 26 January 2026, India celebrated its 77th **Republic Day** and the **tableaux** mainly focused on commemorating 150 years of **Vande Mataram** and the vision of **Atmanirbhar Bharat**

What is the Republic Day Tableau?

Republic Day tableaux are thematic and artistic displays presented by States, Union Territories, and Central Ministries during the Republic Day Parade on 26 January at **Kartavya Path**, New Delhi. It visually represents India's cultural heritage, historical legacy, constitutional values, social achievements, or future vision. Through art, models, music, and performers, each tableau communicates a distinct message.

Republic Day Tableau's History in India

The Republic Day Tableau has developed and evolved in India as highlighted below:

- Republic Day tableaux have been part of the parade since India became a republic in 1950.
- Early tableaux highlighted freedom fighters and national unity.
- Over the years, the themes of the tableaux broadened to include culture, science, tribal heritage, environmental conservation, and various government initiatives.

Republic Day Tableau 2026 Theme

The theme of the The 77th Republic Day tableaux centred around two main themes : “**Svatantrata Ka Mantra - Vande Mataram**” and “**Samridhhi Ka Mantra - Aatmanirbhar Bharat**”.

- **Swatantrata ka Mantra : Vande Mataram** : Celebrating 150 years of the national song Vande Mataram (composed by Bankim Chandra Chattopadhyay in 1875).
- **Samridhhi ka Mantra : Aatmanirbhar Bharat** : Highlighting India’s journey toward self-reliance and economic prosperity.

Who decides the theme of Republic Day Tableau 2026?

The theme of the Republic Day Tableau is decided by the Ministry of Defence in consultation with other central agencies.

List of Republic Day Tableaux 2026

This year, 30 tableaux were selected from various States, Union Territories, and Central Ministries-17 tableaux from States / Union Territories and 13 tableaux from Ministries / Departments / Services. Each tableau showcased the culture and progress of its region or sector.

Gujarat and Chhattisgarh focused on the theme of “**Vande Mataram**,” highlighting its role in strengthening national unity while Assam’s tableau featured Ashirakandi, a village known for its traditional crafts. Maharashtra presented Ganeshotsav, while West Bengal highlighted the state’s contribution to India’s freedom struggle. The Department of Military Affairs presented the Tri-Services Tableau – showcasing Victory of Operation Sindoor through Joint coordination of three forces.

List of Republic Day Tableaux 2026 State and UT Wise and their Themes	
States / UTs & Ministry / Department	Theme
Assam	Asharikandi – Terracotta Craft Village of Assam
Chattisgarh	The Mantra of Freedom – Vande Mataram
Gujarat	Mantra of Swadeshi – Self-Reliance – Freedom: Vande Mataram

Himachal Pradesh	Dev Bhoomi, Veer Bhoomi
Jammu & Kashmir	Handicrafts and Folk Dances of Jammu & Kashmir
Kerala	Water Metro and 100% Digital Literacy: Aatmanirbhar Kerala for Aatmanirbhar Bharat
Maharashtra	Ganeshotsav: A Symbol of Aatmanirbharta
Manipur	Towards Prosperity: From Agricultural Fields to International Markets
Nagaland	The Hornbill Festival – Celebrating Culture, Tourism & Self-Reliance
Odisha	Soil to Silicon: Rooted in Tradition, Rising with Innovation
Puducherry	Rich Heritage of Craft, Culture and Auroville's Vision
Rajasthan	Golden Touch of the Desert: Bikaner Gold Art (Usta Art)
Tamil Nadu	Mantra of Prosperity: Self-Reliant India
Uttar Pradesh	Culture of Bundelkhand
West Bengal	Bengal in the Freedom Movement of India
Madhya Pradesh	Punyashlok Lokmata Devi Ahilyabai Holkar
Punjab	350th Year of Martyrdom of Sri Guru Tegh Bahadur Sahib Ji
Air HQs	Veteran Tableau – Nation Building through War
Naval HQs	Samudra Se Samridhhi
Department of Military Affairs	Tri-Services Tableau – Operation Sindoor, Victory through Jointness

Ministry of Culture	Vande Mataram – The Soul Cry of a Nation
Department of School Education and Literacy	National Education Policy 2020: Rocketing Indian School Education on the Path to Viksit Bharat
Ministry of AAYUSH	AYUSH KA TANTRA, SWASTHYA KA MANTRA
Ministry of Home Affairs (NDMA & NDRF)	Bhuj Earthquake: 25 Years of Resilience
Ministry of Home Affairs (BPRD)	Jan Kendrit Nyay Pranali – Enactment of the Three New Criminal Laws – 2023
Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs	Vande Mataram – Commemoration of 150 Years
Ministry of Information and Broadcasting	Bharat Gatha: Shruti, Kriti, Drishti
Ministry of Panchayati Raj	SVAMITVA Scheme – Aatmanirbhar Panchayat se Samriddh evam Aatmanirbhar Bharat
Ministry of Power	Prakash Ganga: Powering an Aatmanirbhar and Viksit Bharat
Ministry of Skill Development & Entrepreneurship	Powered by Skills: Building a Self-Reliant, Future-Ready India

Republic Day Tableau 2026 Winners

- The winners of the Republic Day tableaux are decided by an expert jury constituted by the Ministry of Defence.
- This jury includes eminent artists, cultural experts, architects, and senior government officials who evaluate the tableaux on the basis of adherence to the annual theme, creativity and innovation, visual appeal, clarity of message, and overall presentation.
- In addition to the jury awards, a Popular Choice Award is also given, which is determined through public voting, usually conducted via the MyGov platform or other online and SMS-based mechanisms.

Republic Day Tableaux Selection Process

- Republic Day Tableaux are selected through a two-stage selection by an expert committee under the Ministry of Defence.
- States, Union Territories, and various departments submit design sketches for their proposed tableaux. An expert committee evaluates these proposals.
- This committee comprises experts in fields such as arts, culture, painting, sculpture, music, architecture, and choreography.
- The selection involves two main phases :
 - First, the committee assesses initial sketches, suggesting modifications if needed.
 - Second, approved designs move to a 3D model stage for final selection.

States not selected for the main parade can still display their tableaux at Bharat Parv. This alternative event takes place at the Red Fort from January 26-31.

Further, the government has finalized a rotational plan to ensure that every State and Union Territory gets an opportunity to present their tableaux at the Republic Day parade within a three-year cycle (2024-2026).

Republic Day Tableau 2026 Purpose

- It highlights unity in diversity by showcasing traditions, languages, and lifestyles of different regions.
- It highlights progress in defense, technology, and social welfare (e.g., Space missions or Green energy).
- It brings rare folk arts, crafts, and historical stories into the national spotlight.
- It promotes awareness of government policies and national missions like **Aatmanirbhar Bharat**.

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