

Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

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Recently, the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association India Region Zone VII Conference was inaugurated in Goa by the Lok Sabha Speaker.

About Commonwealth Parliamentary Association

- It is one of the oldest **established organisations in the Commonwealth**.
- It was **founded in 1911**.
- It is a membership association which brings together Members, who are united by community of interest, respect for the **rule of law** and individual rights and freedoms.
- The Association is **made up of over 180 Legislatures** (or Branches) divided up **between nine geographic regions of the Commonwealth**.
- Its mission is to **promote the advancement of parliamentary democracy** by enhancing knowledge and understanding of democratic governance, youth engagement in democracy, gender equality and equal representation.

- **Headquarters:** London, United Kingdom.

Key Facts about CPA India Region

- It comprises a **total of 32 Legislatures**, After the Africa Region, India has the largest number of member Branches of the CPA.
- Administratively, the CPA India Region **is divided into 9 zones**.
 - Zone 1: Uttar Pradesh, Uttarakhand
 - Zone 2: Delhi, Haryana, Himachal Pradesh, Jammu & Kashmir, Punjab
 - Zone 3: Arunachal Pradesh, Assam, Manipur, Meghalaya, Mizoram, Nagaland, Sikkim, Tripura
 - Zone 4: Odisha, West Bengal
 - Zone 5: Bihar, Jharkhand
 - Zone 6: Chhattisgarh, Madhya Pradesh, Rajasthan
 - Zone 7: Goa, Gujarat, Maharashtra
 - Zone 8: Andhra Pradesh, Karnataka, Telangana
 - Zone 9: Kerala, Puducherry (UT), Tamil Nadu
- **The CPA India Regional Chairperson:** Lok Sabha Speaker, Parliament of India
- **Secretariat:** It is based **within the Lok Sabha** at the Parliament of India.

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