

# India

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## Day 1

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### PRAYER FOR THIS COUNTRY

Relations between India and China have increasingly soured in the last year. More than 20 people have died in conflicts along the borders between these two world powers in the Himalayas. China is also bidding to fund the building of a canal through Thailand to give China access to the Indian ocean. In response, India is strengthening its military presence around its islands in the ocean. Pray for great insight and wisdom for world leaders as they consider China's aggressive plans for control in the South China Sea and the Indian Ocean. Ask God to bring understanding to those in positions of authority to reign in any unholy plans in the region (The Bible, [Proverbs 6:16-19](#)).

**Source:** [The Next Front in the India-China Conflict Could Be a Thai Canal \(Foreign Policy\)](#).

### MORE ABOUT THIS COUNTRY

The world's second most populous country, India offers a vast array of languages and cultures. India gave birth to Hinduism but hosts the world's second-largest Muslim population. For the fourth year in a row, India is in the 2022 World Watch List's top 10 countries with the worst Christian persecution. Under the leadership of the hard-line Hindu nationalist party, the BJP, Prime Minister Narendra Modi, and then the pandemic, life became even harder for Indian Christians. Many were denied aid and struggled to provide for their families. But, God is using these same believers to be His agents of love and compassion. Mission organizations vigorously equip grassroots pastors and leaders to carry out Gospel outreach. Though many people in India have never heard the name of Jesus, hearts are open to the Good News like never before! The Lord is using Christian Believers in the most challenging circumstances to proclaim the gospel in an unprecedented manner. In 2022, a new president was appointed, Ms. Droupadi Murmu; the first president from a marginalized tribal community.



CHIEF OF STATE

President Droupadi Murmu

HEAD OF GOV.

PM Narendra Modi

POPULATION

over 1.3 billion

CHRISTIANS

2.2%

EVANGELICAL CHRISTIANS

unknown

DOMINANT RELIGION

Hinduism

PERSECUTION RANKING

10

REFUGEES

205,012

LIFE EXPECTANCY

68.13 yrs

LITERACY RATE

74.04%

POPULATION BELOW POVERTY LINE

29.8%