



Chennai Declaration: BRICS Framework for STI Cooperation

The **Chennai Declaration**, also called the **Chennai Consensus**, was adopted at the **14th BRICS Science, Technology and Innovation (STI) Ministerial Meeting** under India's BRICS Chairship in **2026**. It provides a framework for strengthening cooperation in science, technology, research infrastructure and innovation.

The Declaration envisions a **people-centred and future-ready BRICS STI ecosystem** through collaborative research, shared scientific infrastructure, talent mobility and responsible use of frontier technologies. It seeks to harness innovation for **sustainable development** across BRICS countries.

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