



Press Release

India to Host Mumbai Climate Week in February 2026 Positioned as Climate Action Leader of the Global South Likely Inauguration by the Prime Minister Climate Leaders from Over 30 Countries Expected to Join

India, 18th November 2025: Maharashtra Chief Minister Devendra Fadnavis announced -India will host the inaugural edition of Mumbai Climate Week (MCW) in February 2026. The event is organised by Project Mumbai in partnership with Government of Maharashtra's Department of Environment and Climate Change and supported by Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation. Mumbai Climate Week aims to become a major platform for climate action across the Global South, with India taking a leadership role.

Speaking about MCW, Chief Minister Fadnavis said, " It's high time we move from dialogue to action in the space of climate change. Mumbai Climate Week is a great initiative that not only celebrates climate mitigation efforts but also brings everyone — citizens, businesses, and institutions — into action. It will set benchmarks for Maharashtra and Mumbai, inspiring us to take concrete steps rather than remain spectators. We will reach out to the global community to make MCW a global event — truly where hope meets action."

The Chief Minister, joined by leading climate experts, shared details of the event. Representatives from more than 30 countries are expected to participate. They will come to Mumbai to create a practical climate action plan, working with city leaders, state chief ministers, civil society groups, corporates, students, and young people.

Speaking about the initiative, Shishir Joshi, Founder & CEO of Project Mumbai, said, "Mumbai Climate Week marks a historic step for Maharashtra and India as we unite and amplify the voices of the Global South. This unique platform underscores our commitment to empowering climate-resilient communities through inclusive collaboration and relevant solutions. MCW will catalyse transformative impact, fostering partnerships that transcend borders."

Mumbai Climate Week will be India's first dedicated, citizen-led platform focused on speeding up climate action. Monitor Deloitte will be the strategic knowledge partner. Several major organizations have already joined as partners and supporters, including the Climate Group (hosts of New York Climate Week), India Climate Collaborative, WRI, Eversource, HT Parekh Foundation, UNICEF, ISEG, Shakti Foundation, Rainmatter Foundation, National Gallery of Modern Art and National Service scheme (NSS).

The inaugural edition of Mumbai Climate Week will focus on three connected themes: food systems, energy transition, and urban resilience. Each theme will be examined through the lenses of justice, innovation, and funding. This ensures that the MCW platform addresses both climate adaptation and mitigation strategies.



By bringing together governments, businesses, startups, academia, civil society, indigenous communities, youth, and citizen groups, the event aims to foster an ecosystem of shared purpose. Through diverse expertise and real-world experience, Mumbai Climate Week will help shape a just, sustainable, and resilient future for the Global South while amplifying its voice on the global stage.

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About Mumbai Climate Week

Scheduled from February 17 to 19, 2026, at the Jio World Convention Centre, Mumbai Climate Week will be more than a three-day event. Its impact will be extended through preparatory activities before and synthesis efforts after the main conference, including workshops, case studies, films, testimonials, and follow-up reports. By mobilizing India's vibrant network of climate-focused organizations and movements, it will highlight the nation's pioneering efforts in climate action while charting a bold path forward.

Conceptualised & initiated by Project Mumbai, a citizen-driven non-profit founded in 2018, and, in partnership with Government of Maharashtra's Department of Environment and Climate Change, and supported by Brihanmumbai Municipal Corporation, MCW reflects the vision of a dynamic megacity from the Global South stepping into a role of global climate leadership

About Project Mumbai

Project Mumbai, founded in 2018 by a former renowned journalist and social entrepreneur **Shishir Joshi**, is a pioneering not-for-profit initiative that works as a trusted bridge between citizens, government, and private institutions to co-create solutions for the city's most pressing challenges. With a focus on participatory governance, community engagement, and public service, Project Mumbai has consistently mobilized people and partnerships to deliver impact at scale—from mental health initiatives and waste management drives to urban mobility solutions and disaster relief. Its citizen-centric model has earned recognition nationally and internationally as an example of collaborative problem-solving rooted in transparency, trust, and accountability.

About the State Climate Action Cell (SCAC)

The State Climate Action Cell (SCAC), established under the Environment and Climate Change Department, Government of Maharashtra, vide Government Resolution dated 9th August 2023, serves as the nodal agency for coordinated climate action in the state. It leads the implementation of the National and State Action Plans on Climate Change (NAPCC and SAPCC) and Mission LiFE, focusing on prevention, adaptation, and mitigation. The SCAC provides policy guidance, technical support, and monitoring frameworks for government departments and local bodies, while fostering collaboration with civil society, research institutions, and international partners. Through data-driven planning, green initiatives, and public awareness efforts, the SCAC is advancing Maharashtra's transition towards a climate-resilient and sustainable future.

About Majhi Vasundhara Abhiyan

Majhi Vasundhara Abhiyan is the flagship environmental initiative of the Government of Maharashtra, spearheaded by the Department of Environment and Climate Change. It aims to foster sustainable and climate-resilient governance at the grassroots level by integrating environmental responsibility into the functioning of Urban Local Bodies and Gram Panchayats. Anchored in the five thematic "Panchamrut" principles — Earth, Water, Air, Fire, and Sky — the Abhiyan drives measurable actions in waste management, water conservation, renewable energy, green cover enhancement, and public



awareness. Through a structured performance-based rating system, it promotes accountability, transparency, and innovation in local environmental governance, aligning Maharashtra's efforts with the State Action Plan on Climate Change (SAPCC), the Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the Paris Agreement.