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India–Bhutan MoU on Postal Cooperation

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India and Bhutan signed a Memorandum of Understanding (MoU) on Postal Cooperation in March 2026.

Signed between:

Ministry of Communications (India)

Ministry of Infrastructure & Transport (Bhutan)

Key Highlights

Structured Cooperation Framework

MoU establishes collaboration between India Post and Bhutan Post.

Areas of Cooperation

Postal operations

Technology development

Capacity building

Logistics connectivity

Philately

Knowledge exchange

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Technology & Digital Collaboration

Sharing best practices of India Post's digital ecosystem.

Focus on digital postal systems & addressing solutions.

Capacity Building

Bhutanese officials to receive training in India at institutions like:

Rafi Ahmed Kidwai National Postal Academy

Major Initiative

UPU–UPI Cross-Border Remittance

Integration of:

UPU (Universal Postal Union) PosTransfer system

UPI (Unified Payments Interface)

Aim:

Fast, affordable cross-border remittances

Financial inclusion via postal networks

India–Bhutan Relations

Governed by India–Bhutan Friendship Treaty (2007)

Bhutan is a key partner under India's Neighbourhood First Policy

Geographical Fact

India–Bhutan border length: 699 km

Subregional Grouping

Both countries are part of BBIN Initiative (Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Nepal) for regional connectivity

Digital Financial Cooperation

Bhutan already uses India's RuPay card system

Expansion toward UPI-based cross-border payments

Role of Postal Network

Postal systems are increasingly used for:

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Financial inclusion

Digital services

Last-mile connectivity in remote areas

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