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India Withdraws Bid to Host COP33 Climate Summit (2028)

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India has decided to withdraw its bid to host the COP33 (Conference of the Parties) climate summit in 2028, citing strategic and logistical considerations. The summit is part of the annual global climate negotiations under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change (UNFCCC).

About COP (Conference of the Parties)

COP is the supreme decision-making body of the UNFCCC

Brings together countries to discuss climate change mitigation, adaptation, and finance

Held annually with participation from 190+ countries

Example:

COP21 led to the Paris Agreement, a landmark global climate treaty.

Key Highlights of the Decision:

India had earlier shown interest in hosting COP33 (2028)

The withdrawal opens the possibility for other countries/regions to host the summit

The decision may be linked to:

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Logistical challenges

Strategic prioritisation of resources

Diplomatic considerations

India's Climate Commitments:

Despite withdrawing the bid, India remains committed to global climate goals:

Achieving Net Zero emissions by 2070

Target of 50% cumulative electric power capacity from non-fossil sources by 2030

Reduction in emissions intensity of GDP

India is also a key member of initiatives like:

International Solar Alliance

Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure

Additional Key Facts:

UNFCCC was adopted in 1992 at the Rio Earth Summit

Kyoto Protocol (1997) and Paris Agreement (2015) are key climate agreements under UNFCCC

COP summits rotate among five UN regional groups

India belongs to the Asia-Pacific Group

Climate finance and Loss & Damage Fund are key current topics in COP discussions