

Corruption Perceptions Index, 2020

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In News: India's rank has slipped six places to 86th among 180 countries in Corruption Perception Index (CPI) released by Transparency International.

About Corruption Perceptions Index, 2020

- Ranks 180 countries and territories by the perceived level of public sector corruption according to experts and business people.
- Scale of zero (highly corrupt) to 100 (very clean).
- CPI 2020 paints a grim picture of the state of corruption worldwide. More than two-thirds of countries score below 50, with an average score of just 43.
- Corruption not only undermines the global health response to Cover-19 but contributes to a continuing crisis of democracy.

Top Performers: Denmark and New Zealand, with scores of 88.

Poor Performers: South Sudan and Somalia are the bottom Countries with scores of 12 each.

India's Performance

- In 2020, India's score is 40 (41 in 2019).
- India experienced slow progress in anti-corruption efforts, with several government commitments to reform not yet materialising effectively.

About Transparency International

- Transparency International is a global movement working in over 100 countries to end the injustice of corruption.

- Independent, non-governmental, not-for-profit and work with like-minded partners across the world to end the injustice of corruption.
- Focus on issues with the greatest impact on people's lives and hold the powerful to account for the common good.
- Through advocacy, campaigning and research, work to expose the systems and networks that enable corruption to thrive, demanding greater transparency and integrity in all areas of public life.

Mission: Mission is to stop corruption and promote transparency, accountability and integrity at all levels and across all sectors of society.

Vision: Vision is a world in which government, politics, business, civil society and the daily lives of people are free of corruption.