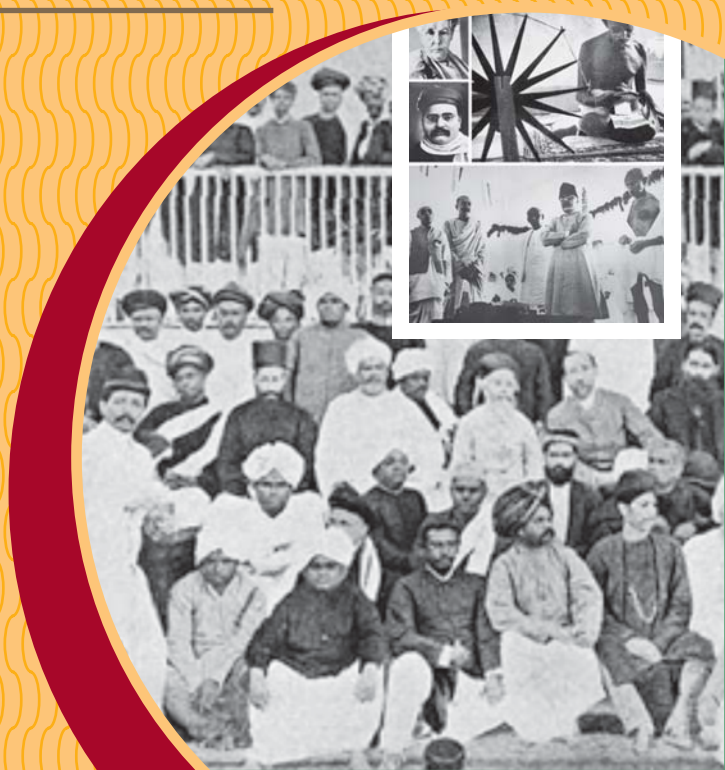


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CONGRESS SESSIONS

Congress Sessions	When and Where	President	Importance
1 st Session	Dec. 28-30, 1885—Bombay	W C Bonnerjee	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Objectives of the Congress outlined.
2 nd Session	Dec. 27-30, 1886—Calcutta	Dadabhai Naoroji	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Merger of National Congress and National Conference.
3 rd Session	Dec. 27-30, 1887—Madras	Syed Badruddin Tyabji	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Tayabji became first Muslim President.• Appeal was made to the Muslims to join hands with other national leaders.
4 th Session	Dec. 26-29, 1888—Allahabad	George Yule	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• George Yule became first English President.

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5 th Session	Dec. 26-28, 1889—Bombay	Sir William Wedderburn	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Congress represented all areas of British India.
6 th Session	Dec. 26-30, 1890—Calcutta	Pherozeshah Mehta	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Decision taken to organize session of congress in London
7 th Session	Dec. 28-30, 1891—Nagpur	P. Ananda Charlu	
8 th Session	Dec. 28-30, 1892—Allahabad	Womesh Chandra Bonnerjee	
9 th Session	Dec. 27-30, 1893—Lahore	Shri Dadabhai Naoroji	
10 th Session	Dec. 26-29, 1894—Madras	Alfred Webb	
11 th Session	Dec. 27-30, 1895—Pune	Surendranath Banerjee	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demand of a representative body only for educated class.
12 th Session	Dec. 28-31, 1896—Calcutta	Rahimatullah M. Sayani	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National song 'Vande Mataram' sung for the first time
13 th Session	Dec. 27-29, 1897—Amraoti	C. Sankaran Nair	
14 th Session	Dec. 29-31, 1898—Madras	Ananda Mohan Bose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Social reform was set as the main goal.
15 th Session	Dec. 27-29, 1899—Lucknow	Romesh Chunder Dutt	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Demand for permanent fixation of land revenue.
16 th Session	Dec. 27-29, 1900—Lahore	N.G. Chandavarkar	
17 th Session	Dec. 26-28, 1901—Calcutta	Dinshaw Eduljee Wacha	
18 th Session	Dec. 28-30, 1902—Ahmedabad	Surendranath Banerjee	
19 th Session	Dec. 28-30, 1903—Madras	Lal Mohan Ghosh	
20 th Session	Dec. 26-28, 1903—Bombay	Sir Henry Cotton	

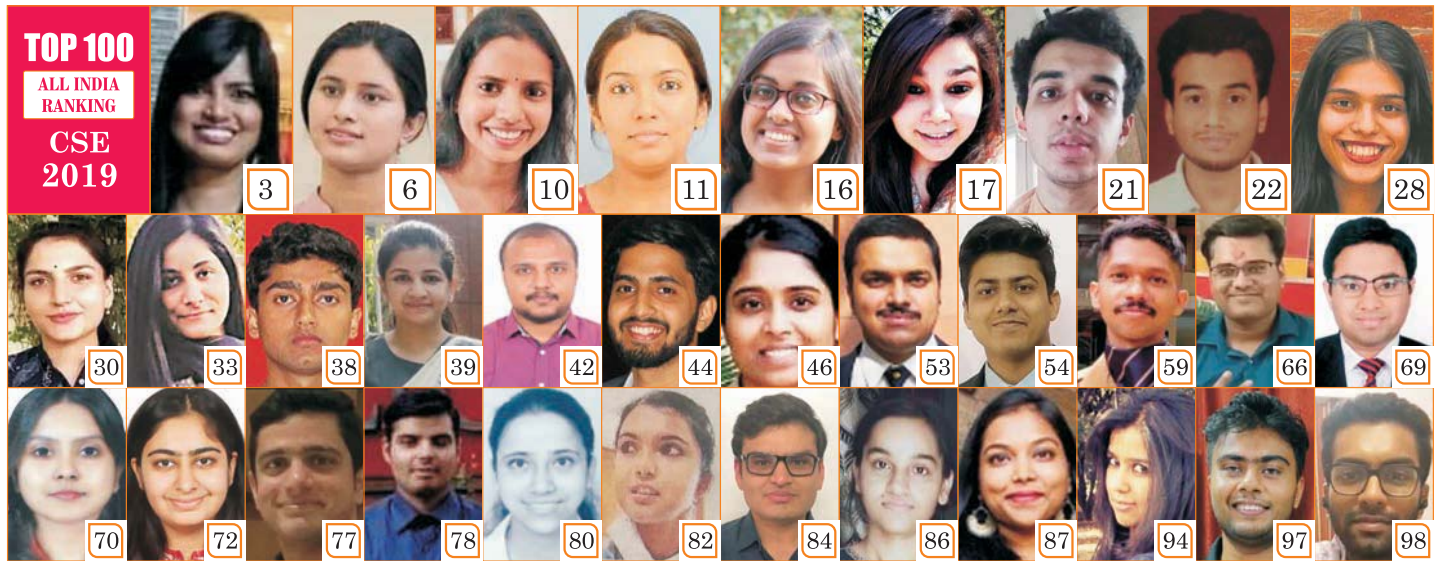
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21 st Session	Dec. 27-30, 1905—Banaras	Gopal Krishna Gokhale	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Congress expressed resentment against the partition of Bengal.
22 nd Session	Dec. 26-29, 1906—Calcutta	Shri Dadabhai Naoroji	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The word 'Swaraj' mentioned for the first time.
23 rd Session (Suspended)	Dec. 26-27, 1907—Surat	Rash Behari Ghosh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Split in the Congress into the Moderates and the Extremists.
23 rd Session	Dec. 28-30, 1908—Madras	Rash Behari Ghosh	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Constitution for the Congress formed.
24 th Session	Dec. 27-29, 1909—Lahore	Madan Mohan Malaviya	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Expressed disapproval over formation of separate electorates on the basis of religion (of the Indian Councils Act, 1909).
25 th Session	Dec. 26-29, 1910—Allahabad	Sir William Wedderburn	
26 th Session	Dec. 26-28, 1911—Calcutta	Bishan Narayan Dar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Anthem 'Jana Gana Mana' sung for the first time
27 th Session	Dec. 26-28, 1912—Bankipore	Shri Raghunath Narasinha Mudholkar	
28 th Session	Dec. 26-28, 1913—Karachi	Nawab Syed Mohammed Bahadur	
29 th Session	Apr. 14-15, 1914—Madras	Bhupendra Nath Bose	
30 th Session	Dec. 27-29, 1915—Bombay	Satyendra Prasanna Sinha	

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31 st Session	Dec. 26-30, 1916—Lucknow	Ambica Charan Mazumdar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Merger/Reunion of Congress (Reunion of extremists and moderates). Lucknow pact – joint session with the Muslim league.
32 nd Session	Dec. 26-29, 1917—Calcutta	Annie Besant	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Annie Besant became 1st women President.
33 rd Session	Dec. 26-30, 1918—Delhi	Madan Mohan Malaviya	
Special Session	Aug. 29-01, 1918—Bombay	Syed Hasan Imam	
34 th Session	Dec. 26-30, 1919—Amritsar	Motilal Nehru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Jallianwalla Bagh Massacre was condemned. Boosted the Khilafat Movement.
35 th Session	Dec. 26-30, 1920—Nagpur	C. Vijayaraghavachariar	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gandhian programme was adopted. A new constitution of the Congress is formed.
36 th Session	Dec. 27-28, 1921—Ahmedabad	Hakim Ajmal Khan (Acting President for C.R. Das who was in prison)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harsat Mohani demanding for complete independence.
37 th Session	Dec. 26-31, 1922—Gaya	Deshbandhu Chittaranjan Das	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Swarajya Party formed.
Special Session	Sep. 04-08, 1923—Delhi	Maulana Abul Kalam Azad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Maulana Abul Kalam Azad became the youngest president of INC

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39 th Session	Dec. 26-27, 1924—Belgaum	M.K. Gandhi	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The only session where Gandhi Ji was the President of INC
40 th Session	Apr. 15-17, 1925—Cawnpore (Kanpur)	Mrs. Sarojini Naidu	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> First Indian Woman President of INC
41 st Session	Dec. 26-28, 1926—Gawahati	S. Srinivasa Iyengar	
42 nd Session	Dec. 26-28, 1927—Madras	M.A. Ansari	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Nehru and S.C. Bose moved resolution for independence and it was passed for the 1st time.
			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resolved to boycott the Simon Commission.
43 rd Session	Dec. 29-01, 1928—Calcutta	Motilal Nehru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The first All India Youth Congress came into being.
44 th Session	Apr. 16-18, 1929—Lahore	Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The resolution for Poorna Swaraj was passed. Civil Disobedience Movement for complete independence to be launched. 26th January was decided to be celebrated as 'Independence Day of India.'
45 th Session	Mar. 21-31, 1931—Karachi	Vallabbhai J. Patel	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resolution on Fundamental Rights and National Economic Progress was passed.

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			<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Gandhi-Irwin pact was endorsed, and Gandhi Ji was nominated to represent INC in the second round table conference.
47 th Session	Sep. 12-14, 1933— Calcutta	Mrs. Nellie Sengupta	
48 th Session	Oct. 24-28, 1934— Bombay	Dr. Rajendra Prasad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Formation of Congress Socialist Party.
49 th Session	Jun. 18-20, 1936— Lucknow	Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The President urged the Congress to adopt socialism as its goal.
50 th Session	Jul. 12-14, 1937— Faizpur	Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The session held in a village for the first time. Demand for Constituent Assembly.
51 st Session	Feb. 19-21, 1938— Haripura	Subhash Chandra Bose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> National Planning Committee set up under Jawahar Lal Nehru. Haripura Resolution passed, which demanded Poorna Swaraj, including the princely states as well.
52 nd Session	Mar. 10-12, 1939— Tripura	Subhash Chandra Bose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> S.C. Bose resigned due to difference with Gandhi. Rajendra Prasad took over as president after Subhas Chandra resigned.

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53 rd Session	Mar. 19-20, 1940— Ramgarh	Maulana Abul Kalam Azad	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• He was the longest serving President of INC during British Rule.• Quit India Movement started in 1942.
54 th Session	Nov. 23-24, 1946— Meerut	J.B. Kripalani	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Last session before Indian Independence



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