

# Competition Cosmos

## List of Chief Justice of India

The Chief Justice of India/Supreme Court of India is appointed by the President of India. He/she can hold the office up to the age of 65 years. Generally, the Senior Most Justice of Supreme Court of India is appointed as the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of India/Chief Justice of India.

The constitution and jurisdiction of Supreme Court is stated in detail from articles 124-147.

**Justice Harilal Jekisundas Kania was the first Indian Chief Justice of India.** But overall the first Chief Justice of India was Mr. Sir Maurice Gwyer (1 October 1937 to 25 April 1943). The Federal Court of India came into existence on 1 October 1937. Federal Court of India function between 1937–50.

**Justice Y. V. Chandrachud is the longest serving Chief Justice (February 1978 – July 1985), who served 2696 days** while Kamal Narain Singh is the shortest serving (21 November 1991 – 12 December 1991), just 17 days.

### LIST CHIEF JUSTICE OF INDIA

NAME	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	HELD OFFICE TILL
1. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Harilal Jekisundas Kania	26/01/1950	06/11/1951
2. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. Patanjali Sastri	07/11/1951	03/01/1954
3. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Mehr Chand Mahajan	04/01/1954	22/12/1954
4. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bijan Kumar Mukherjea	23/12/1954	31/01/1956
5. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sudhi Ranjan Das	01/02/1956	30/09/1959
6. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Bhuvneshwar Prasad Sinha	01/10/1959	31/01/1964
7. Hon'ble Mr. Justice P.B. Gajendragadkar	01/02/1964	15/03/1966
8. Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.K. Sarkar	16/03/1966	29/06/1966
9. Hon'ble Mr. Justice K. Subba Rao	30/06/1966	11/04/1967
10. Hon'ble Mr. Justice K.N. Wanchoo	12/04/1967	24/02/1968
11. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. Hidayatullah	25/02/1968	16/12/1970
12. Hon'ble Mr. Justice J.C. Shah	17/12/1970	21/01/1971
13. Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.M. Sikri	22/01/1971	25/04/1973

14. Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.N. Ray	26/04/1973	28/01/1977
15. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M. Hameedullah Beg	29/01/1977	21/02/1978
16. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Y.V. Chandrachud	22/02/1978	11/07/1985
17. Hon'ble Mr. Justice P.N. Bhagwati	12/07/1985	20/12/1986
18. Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.S. Pathak	21/12/1986	18/06/1989
19. Hon'ble Mr. Justice E.S. Venkataramiah	19/06/1989	17/12/1989
20. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Sabyasachi Mukherjee	18/12/1989	25/09/1990
21. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Ranganath Misra	25/09/1990	24/11/1991
22. Hon'ble Mr. Justice K.N. Singh	25/11/1991	12/12/1991
23. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.H. Kania	13/12/1991	17/11/1992
24. Hon'ble Mr. Justice L.M. Sharma	18/11/1992	11/02/1993
25. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.N. Venkatachaliah	12/02/1993	24/10/1994
26. Hon'ble Mr. Justice A.M. Ahmadi	25/10/1994	24/03/1997
27. Hon'ble Mr. Justice J.S. Verma	25/03/1997	17/01/1998
28. Hon'ble Mr. Justice M.M. Punchhi	18/01/1998	09/10/1998
29. Hon'ble Dr. Justice A.S. Anand	10/10/1998	31/10/2001
30. Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.P. Bharucha	01/11/2001	05/05/2002
31. Hon'ble Mr. Justice B.N. Kirpal	06/05/2002	07/11/2002
32. Hon'ble Mr. Justice G.B. Pattanaik	08/11/2002	18/12/2002
33. Hon'ble Mr. Justice V.N. Khare	19/12/2002	01/05/2004
34. Hon'ble Mr. Justice S. Rajendra Babu	02/05/2004	31/05/2004
35. Hon'ble Mr. Justice R.C. Lahoti	01/06/2004	31/10/2005
36. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Y.K. Sabharwal	01/11/2005	13/01/2007
37. Hon'ble Mr. Justice K.G. Balakrishnan	14/01/2007	11/05/2010
38. Hon'ble Mr. Justice S.H. Kapadia	12/05/2010	28/09/2012
39. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Altamas Kabir	29/09/2012	18/07/2013
40. Hon'ble Mr. Justice P. Sathasivam	19/07/2013	26/04/2014
41. Hon'ble Mr. Justice R. M. Lodha	27/04/2014	27/09/2014
42. Hon'ble Mr. Justice H.L. Dattu	28/09/2014	02/12/2015
43. Hon'ble Mr. T. S. Thakur	03/12/2015	03/01/2017
44. Hon'ble Mr. Jagdish Singh Khehar	04/01/2017	27 August 2017
45. Hon'ble Mr. Justice Dipak Misra	28 August 2017	2 October 2018
46. Hon'ble Mr. Ranjan Gogoi	3 October 2018	17 November 2019
47. Hon'ble Mr. Sharad Arvind Bobde (incumbent)	18 November 2019	23 April 2021