

## FIFA World Cup

## World Cup 2018: New Records &amp; Milestones Cristiano Ronaldo Can Set in Russia



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This World Cup has been anything but predictable. With records being shattered almost every day and upsets being the new norm, there's no telling what to expect in this tournament.

One man has stood out so far in Russia and that is none other than Cristiano Ronaldo. In just two games, the Portuguese star has broken quite a few records and there seems to be no stopping this man from breaking more as the tournament progresses. The Real Madrid forward has been off to a flying start in Russia and has single-handedly rescued his side in both games. And in doing so, he has broken quite a many records and looks set to break even more.

A hat-trick against Spain, the most goals scored by a European - 85, only second behind Iran's Ali Daei (109 goals), the oldest player to score a hat-trick in a World Cup (33y 130d)... This list goes on.

However, there are still some records the Portuguese captain is yet to break and he would have his eyes set on those records.

Here's looking at the records which Ronaldo is yet to break.

**1) Most goals scored by a Portuguese player in World Cup history**

Ronaldo has gone off to a flying start in this World Cup. With 4 goals in just 2 games, there seems no stopping the Real Madrid man.

If he keeps up this pace and manages to reach the quarters, he could well be on course to break the most

goals scored by a Portuguese player in a single world cup.

The record currently stands with Eusebio who scored a whopping 9 goals in a single tournament back in the 1966 World Cup. He is shy of the record by just 5 goals and the Portuguese captain would love to break yet another record in this World Cup.

Having said that, Eusebio also holds the record for most goals scored by a Portuguese in World Cup history. He played just one World Cup and scored 9 goals. **Ronaldo has scored 7 in total** and would just need 2 more goals to match and 3 more goals to break that record.

**2) First Portuguese captain to lift the World Cup**  
Yes, I know it is still very early to say anything on this matter. And with Portugal's last game, it feels like it would take some miracle to win the tournament. But forget not, they are the current Euro champions and back then also no one predicted them to win it, especially after a clash between Portugal and France was set up in the final. The hosts were clear favourites but anything can happen in football; this World Cup so far is a perfect example.

Portugal are yet to win the World Cup and, with Ronaldo not getting any younger (though his performances this World Cup would suggest otherwise), this might be the last chance for him to win the only trophy missing from his cabinet and become the first Portuguese captain to lift the cup.

**3) Golden Boot**  
No player from the Portuguese history, barring Eusebio in 1966, has claimed the Golden Boot. Ronaldo, this summer, has a really good chance to become the second Portuguese to claim the Golden Boot. If you remember, James Rodriguez won the Golden Boot in the last World Cup by scoring six goals in five games. Meanwhile, in the 2010 World Cup, it took just 5 goals for Germany's Thomas Muller to claim the award. Ronaldo so far has scored 4 goals in just two games. And going by the last two World Cups' stats, the Real Madrid star looks favourite to win it this time.

However, Russia's Denis Cheryshev and Spain's Diego Costa are not far behind with three goals each so far.

**4) Most Man of the Match awards at the World Cup**  
This is one record Ronaldo might not really think about, but hey, a record is a record. So far the most Man of the Match awards that have been won in a single tournament is four - won by Netherlands' Wesley Sneijder in the 2010 World Cup and Argentina's Lionel Messi in the 2014 World Cup.

Portugal have played two games and their captain Ronaldo has picked up the Man of the Match award on both the occasions. He just needs three more to break the record. And with the form he is in this tournament so far, he might just break it, or at the most equal it if Portugal go far in the knockout stages.

Both Sneijder and Messi reached the final, though. Can Ronaldo do the same?

## National &amp; International News

## RTI: Bank With Amit Shah as Director Collected Highest Amount of Banned Notes Among Coop Banks

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A district cooperative bank, which has Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP) President Amit Shah as a director, netted the highest deposits among such banks of old Rs 500 and Rs 1,000 notes that were abruptly demonetised on November 8, 2016, according to RTI replies received by a Mumbai activist. The Ahmedabad District Cooperative Bank (ADCB) secured deposits of Rs 745.59 crore of the spiked notes - in just five days after Prime Minister Narendra Modi made the demonetisation announcement. All the district cooperative banks were banned from accepting deposits of the banned currency notes from the public after November 14, 2016 - five days after demonetisation - on fears that black money would be laundered through this route.

According to the bank's website, Shah continues to be a director with the bank and has been in that position for several years. He was also the bank's chairman in 2000. ADCB's total deposits on March 31, 2017, were Rs 5,050 crore and its net profit for 2016-17 was Rs 14.31 crore. Right behind ADCB, is the Rajkot District Cooperative Bank, whose chairman Jayeshbhai Vitthalbhai Radadiya is a cabinet minister in Gujarat Chief Minister Vijay Rupani's government. It got deposits of old currencies worth Rs 693.19 crore.

Interestingly, Rajkot is the hub of Gujarat BJP politics - Modi was first elected from there as a legislator in 2001.

Incidentally, the figures of

Ahmedabad-Rajkot DCCBs are much higher than the apex Gujarat State Cooperative Bank Ltd, which got deposits of a mere Rs 1.11 crore.

"The amount of deposits made in the State Cooperative Banks (SCBs) and District Central Cooperative Banks (DCCBs) - revealed under RTI for first time since demonetisation - are astounding," Manoranjan S. Roy, the RTI activist who made the effort to get the information, told IANS.

The RTI information was given by the Chief General Manager and Appellate Authority, S. Saravanavel, of the National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development (NABARD).

It has also come to light, through the RTI queries, that only seven public sector banks (PSBs), 32 SCBs, 370 DCCBs, and a little over three-dozen post offices across India collected Rs 7.91 lakh crore - more than half (52 per cent) of the total amount of old currencies of Rs 15.28 lakh crore deposited with the RBI. The break-up of Rs 7.91 lakh crore mentioned in the RTI replies shows that the value of spiked notes deposited with the RBI by the seven PSBs was Rs 7.57 lakh crore, the 32 SCBs gave in Rs 6,407 crore and the 370 DCCBs brought in Rs 22,271 crore. Old notes deposited by 39 post offices were worth Rs 4,408 crore.

Information from all the SCBs and DCCBs across India were received through the replies. The seven PSBs account for around 29,000 branches - out of the over 92,500 branches of the 21 PSBs in India - according to data published

by the RBI. The 14 other PSBs declined to give information on one ground or the other. There are around 155,000 post offices in the country.

Fifteen months after demonetisation, the government had announced that Rs 15.28 Lakh crore - or 99% of the cancelled notes worth Rs 15.44 lakh crore - were returned to the RBI treasury.

Roy said it was a serious matter if only a few banks and their branches and a handful post offices, apart from SCBs and DCCBs, accounted for over half the old currency notes.

"At this rate, serious questions arise about the actual collection of spiked notes through the remaining 14 mega-PSBs, besides rural-urban banks, private banks (like ICICI, HDFC and others), local cooperatives, Jankalyan Banks and credit cooperatives and other entities with banking licenses, the figures of which are not made available under RTI," he said.

The SCBs were allowed to exchange or take deposits of banned notes till December 30, 2016 - for a little over seven weeks, in contrast to district cooperative banks which were allowed only five days of transactions.

The prime minister during his demonetisation speech had said that Rs 500 and Rs 1,000 notes could be deposited in bank or post office accounts from November 10 till close of banking hours on December 30, 2016, without any limit. "Thus you will have 50 days to deposit your notes and there is no need for panic," he had said. After an uproar, mostly from

BJP allies, the government also opened a small window in mid-2017, during the presidential elections, allowing the 32 SCBs and 370 DCCBs - largely owned, managed or controlled by politicians of various parties - to deposit their stocks of the spiked notes with the RBI. The move was strongly criticised by the Congress and other major Opposition parties.

Among the SCBs, the Maharashtra State Cooperative Bank topped the list of depositors with Rs 1,128 crore from 55 branches and the smallest share of Rs 5.94 crore came from just five branches of Jharkhand State Cooperative Bank, according to the replies.

Surprisingly, the Andam & Nicobar State Cooperative Bank's share (from 29 branches) was Rs 85.76 crore. While Maharashtra has a population of 12 crore, Jharkhand's population is 3.6 crore. Andam & Nicobar Islands have less than four lakh residents.

The poorest of all the cooperative banks in the country is Banki Central Cooperative Bank Ltd in Odisha, which admitted to receiving zero deposits of the spiked currency.

Of the total 21 PSBs, State Bank of India, Bank of Baroda, Bank of Maharashtra, Central Bank of India, Dena Bank, Indian Overseas Bank, Punjab & Sindh Bank, Vijaya Bank, Andhra Bank, Syndicate Bank, UCO Bank, United Bank of India, Oriental Bank of Commerce, and IDBI Bank (14 banks) - with over 63,500 branches amongst them - did not give any information on deposits.

## EAM Sushma Swaraj says India &amp; European Union stand united in face of global peace &amp; security challenges

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External Affairs Minister Sushma Swaraj has said that India and the European Union stand united in face of global peace and security challenges.

Addressing the Indian diaspora in Brussels, Belgium yesterday, Ms Swaraj said India and EU are united by their shared values and principles. Recalling the 14th India-EU Summit held in October last year in Brussels

between Prime Minister Narendra Modi, European Council President Donald Tusk and European Commission President Jean Claude Juncker, she said both sides have achieved

considerable progress in many areas of their cooperation.

Mrs Swaraj said India looks forward to the Asia-Europe Meeting (ASEM) Summit which is scheduled to be held in October 2018, where Vice President M. Venkaiah Naidu

will be leading the Indian delegation.

Ms Swaraj arrived in Belgium on Wednesday on the fourth and final leg of her week-long four-nation tour of Europe that also saw her visiting Italy, France and Luxembourg.

## Children of Indians at US Detention Camps Separated from Parents

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The children of the Indian detainees who are being kept at detention centres in the United States have been separated from their parents. The Indian embassy has established contact with two detention centres where nearly 100 Indians, mostly from Punjab, are detained for allegedly illegally entering the country through its southern border. The Indian government, however, has not been given consular access to the detainees.

A group of 52 Indians, mostly from the Sikh and Christian community, are at a detention facility in Oregon and 40 to 45 Indians are at another detention centre in New

Mexico. The report of the separation of the Indian children from their parents comes amid global over Donald Trump's controversial "zero tolerance" immigration policy that saw children being separated from their parents who entered the US illegally.

In a statement, the Indian embassy said that a consular official visited the detention facility in Oregon and that the embassy officials will also be visiting the New Mexico centre. "We have established contacts with both the detention facilities. A consular official has visited the detention facility in Oregon and another one is scheduled to visit the detention facility in New Mexico. We are monitoring the situation," an embassy statement said.

Over a dozen of them are being held at the New Mexico centre for months. The rest of the Indians were brought to the detention centre about a week ago. A group of Democratic lawmakers from Oregon who visited the facility had spoken about the alleged inhuman condition of the immigrant detainees. Most of the Indians at the detention centres don't speak English and are communicating with the help of translators.

Sources in the Indian embassy said it could be difficult to establish the nationality in certain cases as many of the detainees destroy documents to seek immigration under refugee status, thus what India can do to help them could be limited.

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