

**Short Note on Country-wise Comparative Ranking
of Global Hunger Index - 2020 and 2021**

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The Global Hunger Index score is calculated on four indicators:

- **undernourishment,**
- **Child wasting (the share of children under the age of five with low weight for their height),**
- **Child stunting (children under the age of five with low height for their age) and**
- **Child mortality (the mortality rate of children under the age of five)**

India continued to remain in the ‘serious’ category of the index.

In Table1 below: The 2021 Global Hunger Index published on Oct 14, 2021; Thursday ranked India at 101 position out of 116 countries. India’s rank fell from 94 last year and the country was also behind its neighbours Pakistan, Nepal and Bangladesh. Pakistan was ranked at 92 position. Nepal and Bangladesh were placed at 76 rank.

Rank of India in GHI 2020 was 94 out of 107 countries. It was lower than the Rank of GHI of neighbouring countries: Sri Lanka – 64; Nepal – 73; Bangladesh – 75 and Pakistan – 88.

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Table1: Country-wise Comparative Ranking of Global Hunger Index - 2020 and 2021

S. No.	Country	Rank in 2021	Rank in 2020
1	Belarus	1-18 ¹	1-17*
2	Bosnia & Herzegovina	1-18 ¹	1-17*
3	Brazil	1-18 ¹	1-17*
4	Chile	1-18 ¹	1-17*
5	China	1-18 ¹	1-17*
6	Costa Rica	19	1-17*
7	Croatia	1-18 ¹	1-17*
8	Cuba	1-18 ¹	1-17*
9	Estonia	1-18 ¹	1-17*
10	Kuwait	1-18 ¹	1-17*
11	Latvia	1-18 ¹	1-17*
12	Lithuania	1-18 ¹	1-17*
13	Montenegro	1-18 ¹	1-17*
14	Romania	1-18 ¹	1-17*
15	Turkey	1-18 ¹	1-17*
16	Ukraine	29	1-17*
17	Uruguay	1-18 ¹	1-17*
18	North Macedonia	1-18 ¹	18
19	Russian Federation	25	18
20	Argentina	19	20
21	Kazakhstan	28	21
22	Bulgaria	23	22
23	Tunisia	22	23
24	Albania	25	24
25	Azerbaijan	33	25
26	Georgia	27	26
27	Slovakia	1-18 ¹	27
28	Serbia	1-18 ¹	28
29	Trinidad & Tobago	44	28
30	Uzbekistan	21	30
31	Armenia	32	31
32	Dominican Republic	36	32
33	Panama	44	33

S. No.	Country	Rank in 2021	Rank in 2020
34	Peru	36	34
35	Colombia	44	35
36	Paraguay	33	35
37	Saudi Arabia	29	35
38	Mexico	39	38
39	Iran	35	39
40	Fiji	40	40
41	Jamaica	40	41
42	Kyrgyz Republic	40	42
43	Jordan	38	43
44	Lebanon	48	44
45	Morocco	43	44
46	Algeria	31	46
47	Mauritius	54	47
48	Suriname	50	48
49	Thailand	53	48
50	El Salvador	44	50
51	Ecuador	62	51
52	Guyana	51	52
53	Turkmenistan	48	52
54	Egypt	56	54
55	Oman	55	55
56	Honduras	58	56
57	Mongolia	23	56
58	Nicaragua	62	58
59	Malaysia	58	59
60	South Africa	60	60
61	Viet Nam	61	61
62	Bolivia	57	62
63	Ghana	64	63
64	Sri Lanka	65	64
65	Iraq	86	65
66	Senegal	66	65
67	Gambia	72	67
68	Gabon	67	68
69	Philippines	68	69
70	Cameroon	74	70
71	Indonesia	73	70

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72	Namibia	80	70
73	Nepal	76	73
74	Eswatini	69	74
75	Bangladesh	76	75
76	Cambodia	69	76
77	Guatemala	79	77
78	Myanmar	71	78
79	Benin	82	79
80	Botswana	88	80
81	Malawi	81	80
82	Mali	92	82
83	Venezuela (Bolivarian Republic of)	82	83
84	Kenya	87	84
85	Mauritania	85	85
86	Togo	89	86
87	Côte d'Ivoire	84	87
88	Pakistan	92	88
89	Tanzania (United Republic of)	92	89
90	Burkina Faso	91	90
91	Congo (Republic of)	105	91
92	Ethiopia	90	92
93	Angola	97	93
94	India	101	94
95	Sudan	95	94
96	Korea (DPR)	96	96
97	Rwanda	98	97
98	Nigeria	103	98
99	Afghanistan	103	99
100	Lesotho	99	100
101	Sierra Leone	106	101
102	Liberia	110	102
103	Mozambique	106	103
104	Haiti	109	104
105	Madagascar	111	105
106	Timor-Leste	108	106
107	Chad	113	107
108	Moldova	49	-
109	Cabo Verde	52	-

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110	Solomon Islands	75	-
111	Lao PDR	78	-
112	Tajikistan*	79.1ND	-
113	Djibouti	99	-
114	Papua New Guinea	102	-
115	Guinea*	110.1ND	-
116	Guinea-Bissau*	110.2ND	-
117	Niger*	110.3ND	-
118	Uganda*	110.4ND	-
119	Zambia*	110.5ND	-
120	Zimbabwe*	110.6ND	-
121	Democratic Republic of the Congo	112	-
122	Central African Republic	114	-
123	Yemen	115	-
124	Burundi*	115.1ND	-
125	Comoros*	115.2ND	-
126	South Sudan*	115.3ND	-
127	Syrian Arab Republic*	115.4ND	-
128	Somalia	116	-

Source: <https://www.globalhungerindex.org/ranking.html>

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