

**Definition and Comparative Ranking of  
Rule of Law Index of  
India and Neighbours - 2024 and 2025**

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Table 1 (below) shows that Ranking of Rule of Law Index of Nepal decreased in 2025 as that of 2024 but that of Ranking of Rule of Law Index of Sri Lanka improved from 75 in 2024 to 74 in 2025. Whereas that of Ranking of Rule of Law Index of India went down from 79 in 2024 to 86 in 2025. The Ranking of Rule of Law Index of Bangladesh, Pakistan, Myanmar and Afghanistan are 127, 129, 138 and 140 in 2024 respectively and in 2025 it came down to 125 for Bangladesh, went up to 130 for Pakistan but remained same at 138 for Myanmar and decreased to 142 for Afghanistan.

**Table 1: Comparative Ranking of Rule of Law Index of India and Neighbours 2024 and 2025**

S. No.	Country	2024		2025	
		Rank	Score	Rank	Score
1	Nepal	69	0.52	72	0.52
2	Sri Lanka	75	0.51	74	0.51
3	India	79	0.50	86	0.49
4	Bangladesh	127	0.39	125	0.39
5	Pakistan	129	0.38	130	0.37
6	Myanmar	138	0.34	138	0.34
7	Afghanistan	140	0.32	142	0.31

## Definition: Rule of Law Index

The rule of law is a durable system of laws, institutions, norms, and community commitment that delivers four universal principles: accountability, just law, open government, and accessible and impartial justice

## The Four Universal Principles

- 1. Accountability** The government and private actors are accountable under the law.
- 2. Just Law** The law is clear, publicized, and stable and is applied evenly. It ensures human rights as well as property, contract, and procedural rights.
- 3. Open Government** The processes by which the law is adopted, administered, adjudicated, and enforced are accessible, fair, and efficient.
- 4. Accessible and Impartial Justice** is delivered timely by competent, ethical, and independent representatives and neutrals who are accessible, have adequate resources, and reflect the makeup of the communities they serve.

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