

Messi's India Arrival Sets Stage for Blockbuster

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GOAT India Tour 2025 is all set to bring global football icons to India this December, with Argentine legend Lionel Messi touching down soon. According to organisers, Messi will arrive in Kolkata early Saturday morning — expected at 1:30 am — to kick off the tour.

As part of the tour's Mumbai leg on **December 14**, Messi will be joined by Suárez and De Paul in a high-profile charity fashion show.

What's On the Agenda

- **Kolkata Welcome & Statue Unveiling:** In Kolkata, Messi's arrival will usher in a grand reception. Organisers say he will "virtually unveil" a 70-foot statue in the city — a homage from fans and local authorities.
- **Mumbai Fashion Show for Charity:** The star-studded event at Mumbai's Wankhede Stadium will feature the football stars and other celebrities. The night includes a 45-minute ramp walk, charity auction of memorabilia from Messi's 2022 World Cup victory, and a Padel Cup earlier in the afternoon.

A Tour with Multiple Highlights

Organisers of GOAT India Tour 2025 confirm the events will cover four cities — Kolkata, Hyderabad, Mumbai, and New Delhi.

Messi said he feels honoured by the warm welcome and looks forward to meeting Indian fans again.

What This Means for Fans & India

For Indian fans, this visit promises a rare chance to see football royalty up close — not just on the field, but on the runway and at cultural-sports events. The blend of sport, showmanship, and philanthropy marks a new kind of global footballer tour. The inclusion of teammates Suárez and De Paul adds star power, making the Mumbai fashion event a unique crossover of talent and glamour.

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