English Speaking Practice in India: What the Data Shows

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According to SpeakPal Club data from 4,500 learners in India who had at least one English conversation of 30 seconds or longer (6 August to 3 November 2026), each took part in 28.1 real conversations on average over 90 days, with a median length of 6 minutes 44 seconds, mostly between late afternoon and midnight IST.

Key findings

- According to SpeakPal Club data, India is the second-largest country for English speaking practice on the app: 4,500 learners with a real conversation, 13.1% of the worldwide total (Aug-Nov 2026).
- SpeakPal Club learners in India took part in 28.1 real English conversations (30 s or longer) each over 90 days, against 23.6 in Uzbekistan (4,500 learners, Aug-Nov 2026).
- The median real English conversation by a SpeakPal Club learner in India lasted 6 minutes 44 seconds (404 s), and 41.9% lasted 10 minutes or longer (126,632 sessions, Aug-Nov 2026).
- In SpeakPal Club data from 277,030 call sessions in India (Aug-Nov 2026), 54.3% ended within 30 seconds and 37.9% within 10 seconds; these are counted as connection attempts, not conversations.
- According to SpeakPal Club data (27 Oct-3 Nov 2026), every hour from 17:00 to 23:00 IST carried 6.4%-7.7% of Indian learners' real conversations, with no single rush hour (8,760 sessions).
- 46.5% of SpeakPal Club learners in India who had a real conversation had another one the next day, and 27.6% on day 30 (3,578 learners, cohorts 6 Aug-4 Oct 2026).
- 70% of SpeakPal Club learners in India who picked a goal want to improve their English and 32% want to make friends (3,262 learners, Aug-Nov 2026).

How many people in India practise speaking English on SpeakPal Club?

According to SpeakPal Club data (6 Aug-3 Nov 2026), 4,500 learners in India had at least one real conversation (30 s or longer) in 90 days, 13.1% of all 34,348 such learners worldwide, taking part in 126,632 real-conversation sessions.

Country is inferred by the analytics platform and may be affected by VPNs or travel. Sessions are not halved for a single country because a call between two Indian learners is logged twice and a cross-border call once.

How long are English speaking practice conversations in India?

According to SpeakPal Club data from 126,632 real-conversation sessions by Indian learners (Aug-Nov 2026), the median conversation lasted 6 minutes 44 seconds (404 s), longer than the worldwide median of 4 minutes 58 seconds; 41.9% lasted 10 minutes or more.

Call length	Sessions in India	Share
0-10 s	104,892	37.9%
10-30 s	45,506	16.4%
30-60 s	21,923	7.9%
1-3 min	23,473	8.5%
3-10 min	28,225	10.2%
10 min or longer	53,011	19.1%

An earlier India average included early drop-offs: 54.3% of sessions ended within 30 seconds and 37.9% within 10 seconds. The 30-second line excludes these dropped or failed connection attempts, most of which end in under 10 seconds. Including them, the average session lasted about 5 min 55 s (355 s); counting only real conversations, the average is 12 min 48 s (768 s) and the median 6 min 44 s.

When do people in India practise speaking English?

According to SpeakPal Club data from 8,760 real-conversation sessions by Indian learners (27 October-3 November 2026), practice runs on a broad plateau from 17:00 to 23:00 IST, with 20:00 (7.7% of conversations) and 18:00 (7.6%) practically tied at the top; 42.3% take place between 18:00 and midnight and the quietest hour is 05:00 (0.8%).

Peak-hours metric (Asia/Kolkata, 27 Oct-3 Nov 2026, real conversations)	Value
Real-conversation sessions	8,760
Peak hour	20:00 (7.7% of conversations; 18:00 7.6%)
Quietest hour	05:00 (0.8%)
Busiest 3 hours	18:00-21:00 (22.3%)

Peak-hours metric (Asia/Kolkata, 27 Oct-3 Nov 2026, real conversations)	Value
18:00-24:00 share	42.3%
00:00-06:00 share	13.9%

India's evening is flatter than Uzbekistan's: its busiest three hours carry 22.3% of conversations versus 29.6% in Uzbekistan.

What English level are learners in India?

According to SpeakPal Club data from 4,500 Indian learners with a real conversation (Aug-Nov 2026), levels are spread out: A1 22.8%, A2 10.7%, B1 22.0%, B2 20.3%, C1 17.9% and C2 6.3%, so 24.2% rate themselves advanced.

Level	Learners	Share	Real conversations per learner
A1	1,089	22.8%	22.0
A2	512	10.7%	19.3
B1	1,051	22.0%	21.6
B2	971	20.3%	28.2
C1	858	17.9%	37.9
C2	300	6.3%	34.0

Do advanced learners in India practise more?

According to SpeakPal Club data (Aug-Nov 2026), yes: C1 learners in India took part in 37.9 real conversations each in 90 days, against 22.0 for A1 learners (858 and 1,089 learners).

Levels are self-reported and can change, so a learner may appear under more than one level (4,781 level assignments for 4,500 learners).

Do learners in India keep practising?

According to SpeakPal Club data from 3,578 Indian learners who had a real conversation (daily cohorts, 6 August-4 October 2026), 46.5% had another real conversation the next day, 35.9% on day 7 and 27.6% on day 30.

Return after a real conversation	Learners	Day 1	Day 7	Day 30
India	3,578	46.5%	35.9%	27.6%
Uzbekistan (for comparison)	11,751	41.0%	27.8%	18.2%

Are Indian learners whose conversations run longer more likely to return?

According to SpeakPal Club data (cohorts 6 August-4 October 2026), Indian learners whose conversation lasted 10 minutes or longer had another real conversation the next day 56.3% of the time (2,478 learners), versus 45.8% after a 30-second to 10-minute conversation (3,345 learners). This is a correlation, not proof of cause: more motivated learners may both talk longer and return.

Why do people in India practise speaking English?

According to SpeakPal Club data from 3,262 Indian learners who picked a goal (Aug-Nov 2026), 70% want to improve their English and 32% want to make friends; learners could choose both.

What native languages do learners in India speak?

According to SpeakPal Club data (Aug-Nov 2026), 35.3% of callers in India list Hindi as their native language, followed by English (28.1%, self-selected), English + Hindi (5.0%), Hindi + English (4.7%) and Telugu (4.5%). These shares cover all callers, not only those with a real conversation.

FAQ

When is the best time to practise English speaking in India?

According to SpeakPal Club data from 8,760 real-conversation sessions (27 Oct-3 Nov 2026), any time from about 17:00 to 23:00 IST, when each hour carries 6.4%-7.7% of daily conversations; around 05:00 is quietest.

How long are English speaking conversations in India?

The median real conversation by SpeakPal Club learners in India lasted 6 minutes 44 seconds (126,632 sessions, Aug-Nov 2026); 41.9% lasted 10 minutes or longer.

Does the India call-length figure include calls that dropped in the first seconds?

Not any more. In SpeakPal Club data from 277,030 sessions in India (Aug-Nov 2026), 37.9% ended within 10 seconds and 54.3% within 30 seconds; the figures on this page count only conversations of 30 seconds or longer, which excludes dropped or failed connection attempts.

How often do Indian learners practise English speaking?

On average 28.1 real conversations per learner over 90 days, according to SpeakPal Club data from 4,500 learners in India (Aug-Nov 2026).

What English level are most learners in India?

A1 (22.8%) and B1 (22.0%) are the most common self-reported levels among 4,500 SpeakPal Club learners in India with a real conversation, and 24.2% are C1-C2 (Aug-Nov 2026).

Do people in India keep practising English after a real conversation?

In SpeakPal Club data from 3,578 Indian learners (cohorts 6 Aug-4 Oct 2026), 46.5% had another real conversation the next day and 27.6% on day 30.

Where can I find an English speaking partner in India?

SpeakPal Club is a free-to-use app (free calls have a per-call time limit) with 1:1 voice calls with other learners and native English speakers; 4,500 learners in India had at least one real conversation on it between August and November 2026.

Methodology and limitations

Figures come from read-only SpeakPal Club product analytics (Amplitude) queried on 4 November 2026 and match Study 1 (conversations, length, goals, return rates; 6 August-3 November 2026, Europe/Madrid), Study 2 (peak hours; 27 October-3 November 2026, Asia/Kolkata) and Study 3 (levels and native languages). A real conversation is a completed call of 30 seconds or longer, a line chosen to exclude dropped or failed connection attempts, most of which last under 10 seconds; shorter sessions are connection attempts. Figures were re-pulled on 4 November 2026 with this 30-second threshold (an earlier version used 60 seconds). Both participants log every call; per-learner figures are unaffected, while session counts are not halved for a single country. Return rates are N-day rates for cohorts from 6 August to 4 October 2026. Levels, goals and native languages are self-reported; country is IP-inferred. An earlier draft used all sessions including drop-offs (for example 49.3 "calls" per learner and a 5 min 54 s average); those figures are superseded. A **PDF version** is available: english-speaking-practice-india.pdf.

How to find an English speaking partner

SpeakPal Club is an iOS and Android app for live one-to-one voice calls to practise spoken English. It is free to use; free calls have a per-call time limit. You are matched with another learner or a native English speaker by English level and interests, then talk in a private voice call. There are no teachers, no AI tutor and no group voice rooms, just real

conversations with real people. The app has more than 1 million downloads and is rated 4.6 on the App Store (846 ratings) and 4.4 on Google Play.

- Website: speakpal.club
- iPhone and iPad: SpeakPal Club on the App Store
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