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We, the office bearers of the Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), note with deep appreciation that under the transformative leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the age-old aspiration of realising the vision of “Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat” (United India, Great India) has been effectively achieved.

In 2014, the people of India reposed their faith in the BJP and NDA, which was led by Shri Narendra Modi. After 30 years, a single party was blessed with a full majority by the people of India. In 2019, the Narendra Modi-led NDA government returned to power with an even bigger mandate. The BJP’s tally rose from 282 to 303. The return of a full majority government, after completing its full tenure of 5 years under the same Prime Minister, has happened after almost 6 long decades.

When Shri Modi assumed office in 2014, he faced immense challenges from the first day itself. The electoral mandate in 2014 had come in the backdrop of severe policy paralysis, corruption, cronyism and blatant dynastic politics by the UPA Government. Due to the



abysmal misgovernance of the UPA, the people of India were losing faith in democracy and the abilities of governments to deliver. The huge mandate to Shri Narendra Modi reignited the people's faith in our democratic fabric. It also sowed seeds of hope among Indians that decisive, inclusive and compassionate leadership which fulfilled people's aspirations was possible.

Powered by the strength and skills of 135 crore Indians and driven by the Mantra of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas', the Modi Government has undertaken numerous initiatives aimed at removing poverty and enhancing prosperity. The work of the Modi Government is in line with what Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Ji called 'Antyodaya', which means serving the very last person in the queue.

Shri Narendra Modi has demonstrated what true leadership is all about. From the ramparts of the Red Fort, he spoke about topics such as cleanliness and toilet construction, which had been taboo for previous Governments. By ensuring total sanitation coverage he fulfilled a major dream of Mahatma Gandhi. India's strides in sanitation achieved various things: it strengthened the fight against poverty, it improved healthcare standards, and it ensured a boost to tourism as well as economic activities.

The robust faith in PM Modi was seen in instances such as the middle class giving up their own LPG subsidy and senior citizens giving



up their own railway concessions, so that these benefits could go to the poor. Such a culture was virtually unheard of before because of the corruption of those who ruled India for many decades.

Not a believer in keeping the poor dependent, PM Modi has brought a culture that celebrates self-reliance, dignity and entrepreneurship. This can be seen in the success of 'Make in India', the strides in 'Ease of Doing Business', the reforms and the success of the PLI schemes. India's success in the start-up ecosystem shows how the youth of India has risen to the occasion and demonstrated their prowess. It shows that with the right support, our youth can do wonders. PM Modi's clarion call for an Aatmanirbhar Bharat is not restricted to government policies alone. It reflects the collective spirit of 135 crore Indians who want to make India an economic powerhouse.

PM Modi's government has ushered in a new era of women empowerment. Here, mention must be made of schemes such as Ujjwala, movements like 'Beti Bachao, Beti Padhao', and the progressive step of providing housing in the name of women under the government's housing scheme.

Almost 2/3rd of all Indians depend on agriculture, but those who ruled the nation for decades only focussed on a handful of big farmers. It is PM Modi who has emerged as the champion of the small farmers. The PM-Kisan Scheme has eased financial burdens, while efforts to improve irrigation and provide neem-coated urea have helped farmers



tremendously. The PM's vision of improving soil health has had a direct impact on agro-productivity. Decisions like giving KCC cards to fishermen have yielded outstanding results in the fisheries sector.

History will remember PM Modi as the epitome of kindness and compassion. This is because lakhs of Indians are getting access to top quality and affordable healthcare due to Ayushman Bharat PM-JAY. The PM-BJP (Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Janaushadhi Pariyojana) has ensured affordable medicines, thus leading to big savings for the poor, middle class and the Neo-middle class. The low prices of stents and knee implants have given a new lease of life to countless Indians.

It is under the Modi Government that India got a new National Education Policy after 30 years. The focus of this policy has shifted from outlays to outcomes. The beauty of this policy lies in the massive consultative process, at a scale that was never seen before. With this policy, India is all set to become a hub for education, innovation and research. The decision to allow education in local languages, and the increase in the number of medical as well as engineering colleges, have given wings to innumerable aspirations.

One of the most enduring legacies of PM Modi is the manner in which technology has been integrated into every arm of the Government, which helps people get quick and transparent solutions to basic problems. The JAM (Jan Dhan Aadhaar Mobile) Trinity and Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) have led to benefits reaching crores of people without any middlemen.



One of the biggest challenges faced by previous governments was that administrative work would happen in silos. PM Modi has gone the extra mile to remove these silos in governance. A leading example of this is the PM-GATI Shakti initiative, which has brought together key economic ministries in order to realise the dream of next-generation infrastructure. Further, initiatives like PRAGATI that are directly monitored by the Prime Minister's Office are innovative ways to break red-tapism and inertia.

Regional imbalance has been the bane of our nation's growth trajectory for decades. PM Modi has devoted his tenure to end it. For the first time ever, the concept of Aspirational Districts was introduced which enabled detailed attention to areas left on the margins of development. Now, under the guidance of PM Modi, the nation is looking at Aspirational Blocks. The Northeast, which was previously known for violence and blockades, is now known for record development. The number of visits to the region by the PM himself and by Ministers is at an all-time high. This year's Union Budget placed special attention on border areas and strengthening infrastructure there. Equal focus has been given to coastal areas of India.

A society that is not proud of its roots can never prosper. PM Modi has time and again highlighted that India's strength is our diversity, our vibrant faiths, languages, cultures, and customs. It is heartening to see several antiquities and artefacts returning home; PM Modi has taken a special interest in this. Numerous cultural and spiritual places have



been reinvigorated which will draw more pilgrims and tourists. It will strengthen interest in India's culture and boost the local economy. A prime example of this is the Kashi Vishwanath corridor. PM Modi's words in Tamil at the United Nations indicate his affection for different Indian languages.

Over the last 8 years, India has begun to play a key role in improving the environment. India's forest cover is up, and so is the population of lions, tigers, rhinos and leopards. PM Modi's efforts to establish the International Solar Alliance and the Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure show an unbreakable commitment to making our planet cleaner and greener. PM Modi's commitments at COP-26 on net-zero emissions drew the attention and appreciation of the entire world. India has demonstrated that environment, empowerment and economic growth can go together.

PM Modi's 'India First' foreign policy has led to phenomenal results. It has resulted in greater investment and stronger people-to-people ties. He has redefined engagement with the diaspora and made them integral pillars of India's external relations.

The year 2020 was a challenging year for the entire planet. The world witnessed a once-in-a-century pandemic. At every step, PM Modi emphasised a science-driven approach to fighting the pandemic. From the beginning, measures were put in place to contain the spread of the virus. In parallel, the nation was mobilised to observe COVID discipline.



India began work on the vaccine very fast and the timely rollout of those vaccines led to several lives being saved. Throughout the pandemic, PM Modi ensured that 80 crore people have access to free rations.

On October 7th 2021, PM Modi completed 20 years as the Head of the Government, almost 12.5 years as Gujarat CM and 7.5 years as PM. In any democratic polity, this is a distinguished feat which few have achieved. It is only possible due to his constant efforts to serve others and to make a positive difference in the lives of his fellow citizens.

We feel proud of PM Modi's commitment towards nation-building. When we see the lives of fellow Indians being transformed around us, we feel glad that our Government has been able to play a role in taking our nation to even greater heights of strength and prosperity.

