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BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda receiving the greetings of the people at a massive rally in Vishrampur Assembly constituency in Jharkhand on 09 November, 2024



BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda along with senior leaders of BJP listening to PM Shri Narendra Modi ji's 'Mann ki Baat' at Krishna Market Lajpath Nagar, New Delhi on 27 October 2024



Bihar BJP welcoming BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda on his arrival at Jai Prakash Narayan Int'l Airport in Patna on 07 November, 2024



Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah launching 'Sankalp Patra' for Jharkhand Assembly Elections 2024 in Ranchi on 03 November 2024



Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah receiving greetings of the Karyakartas before addressing a huge rally in Maharashtra on 08 November 2024



Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh addressing a huge public rally in Chatra Assembly constituency, Jharkhand on 09 November 2024

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@Narendramodi

I strongly condemn the deliberate attack on a Hindu temple in Canada. Equally appalling are the cowardly attempts to intimidate our diplomats. Such acts of violence will never weaken India's resolve. We expect the Canadian government to ensure justice and uphold the rule of law.

(4 November, 2024)



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Unbelievable progress in India's fight against TB! Higher allocation of resources to TB elimination has facilitated creation of indigenous solutions and enabled access of our citizen to state-of-the-art molecular diagnostic tools, newer and more efficacious treatment regimens like BPaLM for multi-drug resistant TB and free screening, testing, treatment and follow up.

(7 November, 2024)



@AmitShah

In the greed of vote bank, the Hemant government has made Jharkhand a hub of infiltrators. The rights of women are being violated in the state, their lands are being usurped, but due to appeasement, Hemant Soren has closed his eyes. Only the BJP government in Jharkhand under the leadership of Modi ji can save the state from these infiltrators.

(November 3, 2024)



@Rajnathsingh

The #OneRankOnePension(OROP) has been an important pillar of Prime Minister Shri @narendramodi 's policy towards the Armed Forces. The Government under his leadership is committed to take care of the soldiers and their families. More than 25 lakh veterans have been benefitted from the implementation of OROP. My gratitude to the Prime Minister for fulfilling the commitment given to the Ex-servicemen of this country.

(7 November, 2024)



@Manohar Lal Khattar

Chaired a comprehensive review of the Draft Hydro Power Policy today(October 30). Discussed current hydropower capacities and the roadmap to unlock India's immense hydro potential. Harnessing our natural resources efficiently is key to our nation's sustainable and energy-secure future.

(30 October, 2024)



@Shivraj Singh Chouhan

Today (6 Nov.), the Union Cabinet led by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri @narendramodi ji has approved infusion of equity of ₹ 10,700 crore for working capital in Food Corporation of India (FCI) in the financial year 2024-25. This decision is a significant step towards enhancing the operational capabilities of FCI. Thanks to the Honorable Prime Minister for this important decision!

(6 November, 2024)



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Nearly 25 Lakh

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KAMAL SANDESH PARIVAR
wishes a very happy
CONSTITUTION DAY (26 NOVEMBER)
to all of its readers



DOUBLE ENGINE GOVERNMENTS TO PAVE THE PATH OF 'VIKSIT BHARAT'

As the election process has started in Jharkhand and Maharashtra, campaigning is in full swing with various political parties approaching the voters for support in these states. The enthusiasm among the people for BJP can be understood from the huge election meetings, roadshows and rallies of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah and Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh along with other senior BJP leaders. The people are coming out in large numbers to support BJP candidates and bless the vision of the Prime Minister for a 'Viksit Bharat' and to ensure that 'Double Engine' governments are formed in both these states to ensure double speed of development.

The BJP 'Sankalp Patra' for Jharkhand released by Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah presents the vision, commitment and dedication of the BJP for the Roti, Beti and Maati of the state. In the last five years, Jharkhand under the JMM-Congress-RJD misrule became a den of corruption, misgovernance and anti-development policies leading to heavy loot of public money while inflicting long-term damage to the prospects of the mineral rich state. While the interests of poor, tribals, Dalits, OBCs, farmers, youth and women are compromised and sidelined, the corrupts are openly looting the resources of the state. The BJP Sankalp Patra has many innovative schemes which are set to provide immediate relief to women, youth, farmers, deprived and oppressed sections of the society while many new projects will be launched keeping in view the vision of Jharkhand as a developed state in future. The issue of infiltration which is becoming a menace for the tribal society

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and culture has been addressed in the Sankalp Patra by committing to prevent infiltration and restoring lands illegally grabbed by infiltrators to tribal daughters. As the Sankalp Patra aims to create new avenues for the youth of Jharkhand, its cultural centres are to be equipped with ultra-modern facilities making it a hub of eco-tourism while integrating tribal languages into school education system.

In Maharashtra, Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah has released the BJP Sankalp Patra to create a strong, prosperous and secure state. From increasing the amount of Ladli Behna Yojana and Old Age Pension to farmers' loan waiver and raising of Kisan Samman Nidhi, the Sankalp Patra also commits itself to controlling inflation through a Price Stabilization Fund. As Mahayuti government in Maharashtra promises to make the state a USD 1 trillion economy by 2028, many schemes for students, ASHA and Anganwadi workers and reducing electricity bill by 30% have been announced. The aim to

establish Artificial Intelligence University, Aeronautics and Space centres, making Maharashtra a leading state in manufacturing apart from constructing roads in 45,000 villages will take the state ahead on the path of 'Viksit Bharat'. The Sankalp Patra has many schemes covering every section of the society ranging from farmer, women, youth, poor, senior citizens to vulnerable communities of deprived and oppressed people of the society. While promising to enact strict anti-conversion laws, the BJP Sankalp Patra represents the aspirations of the people of Maharashtra.

In the last ten years BJP has been successful in establishing the power of the politics of performance and development and a guarantee against corruption, misgovernance, nepotism, politics of appeasement and vote banks. In the 'Amrit Kaal' the Prime Minister's call for 'Panch Pran' has given a new direction to the country and infused a new zeal and enthusiasm among the masses to dedicate themselves for building a 'Viksit Bharat'. The people are blessing the election campaign of BJP spearheaded by its leaders making it the clear choice in the elections. ■



‘ROTI, BETI, MAATI KI PUKAR, JHARKHAND MEIN...BHAJPA, NDA SARKAR: PM MODI

Amidst the ongoing election campaigning in Jharkhand and Maharashtra, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's rally spree continued as he addressed massive public rallies and organised grand roadshows in both the states. Addressing massive gatherings at Garhwa and Chaibasa in Jharkhand, Shri Modi said today, there is a resounding call across Jharkhand... 'Roti, Beti, Maati Ki Pukar, Jharkhand Mein...Bhajpa, NDA Sarkar'." Likewise, addressing huge rallies in Dhule and Nashik in Maharashtra Shri Modi said, "Whenever I've sought support from Maharashtra, the people have blessed me wholeheartedly." Shri Modi expressed concern over the lack of development in Jharkhand under the JMM-Congress-RJD alliance government's rule in the past five years and criticized the Maha-Aghadi for halting the development in Maharashtra.



The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 04 November 2024, addressed massive election rallies in Garhwa and Chaibasa in Jharkhand. Addressing the huge gatherings, the PM said, "This election in Jharkhand is taking place at a time when the entire country is moving forward with a resolution to become developed by 2047. The coming 25 years are very important for both the nation and Jharkhand. Today, there is a resounding call across Jharkhand... 'Roti, Beti, Maati Ki Pukar, Jharkhand Mein...Bhajpa, NDA Sarkar'."

Major focus on the infrastructure of Jharkhand

"In the past 10 years, there has been a major focus on the infrastructure of Jharkhand to make it a developed state. The roads connecting Jharkhand to other parts of the country are being modernized and widened. Rail connectivity here is being strengthened. Today, 12 modern Vande Bharat trains are connecting Jharkhand. The waterway being developed on the Ganga River also connects Jharkhand. When you establish a double-engine government here, the state's development will also progress at double speed," he added.



Wonderful BJP 'Sankalp Patra'

Congratulating Jharkhand BJP for releasing a wonderful 'Sankalp Patra', the PM asserted, "This manifesto is dedicated to the respect, safety, and prosperity of Roti, Beti, and Maati. It includes many commitments for mothers, sisters, and daughters. Under the 'Gogo Didi' scheme, mothers and sisters will receive Rs 2,100 every month. Earlier, we provided free gas connections to sisters from poor families under the Ujjwala scheme. Next year, during Diwali and Raksha Bandhan, Jharkhand's sisters will also receive two free cylinders."

JMM-Congress-RJD alliance betrays the youth of Jharkhand

Highlighting the JMM-Congress-RJD alliance's betrayal of Jharkhand's youth, Prime Minister Modi stated, "Over the past 5 years, they promised unemployment benefits but failed to deliver. Recruitment scams and paper leaks became routine, and due to JMM's negligence, police recruitment even turned tragic. The BJP is committed to changing this. With a BJP government, 300,000 jobs will be filled transparently, a 2,000 'Yuva Sathi Bhatta' will support young people, and an exam calendar will curb paper leaks. The central government has already enforced strict laws against paper leak offenders."

'Vikas Bhi, Virasat Bhi'

Emphasizing the BJP-NDA values – 'Vikas Bhi, Virasat Bhi,' PM Shri Modi reiterated, "We are placing special emphasis on the development of

areas and communities that have lagged behind in the past. We are also working on the development of tribal regions while proudly promoting tribal heritage".

Remembering Birsa Munda ji, he said, "In just a few days, we will celebrate the birth anniversary of Dharti Aaba Birsa Munda ji. It is this BJP-NDA government that declared his birth anniversary as Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas. This year's celebration is particularly special, as from November 15, we will commemorate the 150th birth anniversary of Birsa Munda ji for the next two years."

RALLY IN CHAIBASA

PM Shri Narendra Modi, while addressing the second rally of the day in Chaibasa, prioritized the importance of tribal rights and empowerment. He highlighted the BJP's commitment to tribal communities, recalling how the party facilitated the creation of separate states like Chhattisgarh and Jharkhand. He condemned the Congress and RJD for their historical opposition to tribal rights and pointed out their failure to provide representation for tribal individuals in key political roles, he mentioned further that "Baba Saheb Ambedkar initiated tribal reservation to safeguard the rights of our tribal communities. However, even back then, Nehruji opposed this reservation."

Government's initiatives for tribal welfare

PM Shri Modi reaffirmed the government's initiatives for tribal welfare, including launching the Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan and the PM JANMAN, which aim to enhance infrastructure and quality of life in tribal areas. He stressed the significance of recognizing and respecting tribal languages and culture while warning against Congress's attempts to undermine tribal reservations.

The PM concluded by affirming that the BJP will continue to prioritize tribal welfare and representation in its governance. He reassured, "Every single vote you cast will guarantee development and ensure the protection and respect of our tribal heritage." ■

If Maharashtra moves forward, India will prosper: PM Modi

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed massive rallies in Dhule and Nashik in Maharashtra on 08 November 2024. Reflecting on his strong bond with the state, PM Shri Modi said, "Whenever I've sought support from Maharashtra, the people have blessed me wholeheartedly." He further emphasized, "If Maharashtra moves forward, India will prosper." Over the past two and a half years, the Mahayuti government has demonstrated the rapid progress the state can achieve.

RALLY IN DHULE

At the rally in Dhule, PM Shri Modi deeply reflected, "Politics should serve the people, but some enter it only to exploit. The Maha-Aghadi's rule halted development, filled every project with corruption, and blocked crucial initiatives like metro projects, VadHAVAN Port, and the Samruddhi Mahamarg."

PM Shri Modi assured, "With your blessings, the BJP-Mahayuti government has restored progress under Shinde Ji's leadership. Maharashtra has regained its pride and faith in growth. Where there is BJP-Mahayuti, there is momentum, there is Maharashtra's progress!"

The PM said, "For a Viksit Maharashtra and a stronger India, empowering women is essential. When women progress, society advances. Over the past decade, our government has prioritized women in all major decisions."

He criticized the previous governments for restricting women's opportunities, even in military schools. "We broke those barriers, opening more fields for women. The Nari Shakti Vandan Act ensures women's reservation in assemblies and Parliament. Today, key initiatives like toilets and gas cylinders center around our mothers and sisters, despite being mocked by Congress initially," the PM stated.

Shri Modi highlighted Maharashtra's Mahayuti government's efforts, noting new programs for women, such as requiring the mother's name on all documents and recruiting 25,000 women in the police force to



enhance safety and employment for daughters in Maharashtra.

He added, "Our government's steps for women's empowerment have enraged Congress and its allies. The Mahayuti government's 'Majhi Ladki Bahin Yojana' has gained widespread appreciation, yet Congress is conspiring to shut it down. They even took the scheme to court and vowed to end it if they returned to power."

He urged every woman in Maharashtra to remain vigilant, as these parties cannot stand to see women empowered. He condemned Congress and its allies for using offensive language and derogatory comments toward women, which he called an insult that no mother or sister in Maharashtra will forgive.

The PM also expressed his pride in the government's decision to grant Marathi the status of a classical language, saying, "I've received heartfelt messages from Marathi speakers worldwide. This has been their dream for decades."

Addressing Maharashtra's farmers, Shri Modi noted, "Maharashtra's farmers are gaining double benefits under the double-engine government. Initiatives like crop insurance, solar pumps and record-high MSP are filling the gaps left by Congress. This commitment from

BJP and Mahayuti ensures our farmers' prosperity and the nation's growth."

He acknowledged the tribal community's importance in the state's progress, stating, "The BJP has always worked with the principle of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas.' We've launched programs for the tribal community, such as Janjatiye Gaurav Diwas and Eklavya Schools, and secured their rights to land, water, and forest produce."

He reaffirmed, "Article 370 will never return. Baba Saheb's Constitution will prevail in Kashmir, and no force can change that."

The PM remarked, "Maharashtra is progressing rapidly on the path of economic growth. The Mahayuti government is committed to the development of every section, with a focus on women, youth, and tribals. Your support is vital for continued progress."

RALLY IN NASHIK

PM Shri Narendra Modi, while addressing the second rally of the day in Nashik, Maharashtra, shared his vision for a progressive Maharashtra. He initiated by saying that, "Maharashtra is now a leader in building highways, expressways, and investing in technology, setting the foundation for future growth."

He pointed out that Congress opposed vital projects like the Atal Setu, attempted to halt the Vadhavan Port, and even tried to delay metro projects. During the last five years, the first two and a half years were consumed by the corruption and procrastination of the Maha Aghadi government, he added.

Shri Modi assured the people that as Maharashtra is prioritized by the Mahayuti government, Nashik, too, has been prioritized in their development plans. "Modern infrastructure projects are transforming the city, with new highways and transport facilities, which will benefit major events like the Kumbh Mela in 2026," he said. Additionally, the creation of an IT park in Nashik will open up significant employment opportunities for the youth, he added. He urged people to keep the Aghadi alliance away from power for Maharashtra's future development.

"When elections approach, political parties present their achievements to the public. The BJP and Mahayuti have been transparent in highlighting their progress. But Congress relies on one strategy to challenge the BJP—spreading lies," he reprimanded.

He further attacked the opposition, saying that the same tactics were used by Congress in states like

Karnataka, Telangana, and Himachal Pradesh, where they made empty promises during elections and then failed to fulfill them. "States under Congress' rule are now in financial chaos, with no money to run the government and taxes being raised to fill their own pockets," he added.

PM Shri Modi applauded the people of Maharashtra, saying that they are recognizing the difference between the Mahayuti manifesto and the deceptive promises of the Maha Aghadi. He said, "Wherever Congress and its allies are in power, corruption follows. They announce schemes designed for maximum corruption."

Shri Narendra Modi condemned the divisive politics done by Congress. He said that a key weapon Congress uses to maintain power is division. "They have historically tried to divide communities, especially the OBCs, to weaken them politically," he said. "During Congress' rule, OBCs were divided into various castes. They only received reservations when Congress lost power." He explained that Congress' goal is to prevent the unity of OBCs, which would diminish their strength and make it easier for Congress to regain control. "Congress thrives on division, but the people of Maharashtra must stand united to prevent this," he added.

He further emphasized that OBC unity is essential, repeated that "Ek Hain Toh Safe Hain!" because if Congress succeeds in dividing the OBCs, their collective power will be weakened. "Congress despises OBCs, and this is evident in their reluctance to accept the fact that an OBC community member is the current Prime Minister of India," PM Shri Modi said. "This election, therefore, is not just about the future of Maharashtra, but also about its honour and self-respect."

Highlights

- When women progress, society advances.
- Over the past decade, our government has prioritized women in all major decisions.
- Article 370 will never return. Baba Saheb's Constitution will prevail in Kashmir.
- Congress' divisive agenda aims to destroy the collective strength of tribal communities.
- If Maharashtra moves ahead, India will also become more developed.
- The Maha Aghadi parties should get the Congress to praise Veer Savarkar's sacrifice and martyrdom.
- Ek Hain Toh Safe Hain. ■

No tribal rights for children of Bangladeshi infiltrators in Jharkhand: JP Nadda

BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda said if the BJP wins the Jharkhand Assembly Election, no tribal rights will be given to the children of Bangladeshi infiltrator father and local Adivasi mother. Speaking at an election rally in Bishrampur in Palamu district on 09 November, Shri Nadda said every single Bangladeshi infiltrator will be thrown out of the state once the BJP is voted to power.

He alleged that Bangladeshi infiltrators marry Adivasi women in Jharkhand to claim ownership of the



Adivasi land. “We assure their children won’t be given any tribal right,” he said.

He said that the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM)-led government in Jharkhand has given shelter to Bangladeshi infiltrators and they would be driven out. “The government of the Congress, the RJD and the JMM has given shelter to Bangladeshi infiltrators in Jharkhand for the sake of votes...BJP will not allow infiltration to continue,” Shri Nadda said.

The BJP National President said Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi worked to bring tribals into the mainstream of society. He said “corrupt people and thieves” are part of the JMM-led government in the state. “Time has come to oust the single-engine government from Jharkhand and form a double-engine government here for all-round development,” he said.

He said India’s image changed globally under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. “US President-elect Donald Trump describing PM Shri Modi as his close friend reflects India’s changing image”. ■

‘We will root out the naxalism that has flourished here during JMM rule’

Addressing a huge rally in Ramgarh, Jharkhand BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda said, “There is only one way the whole INDI Alliance works. In Telangana, they said they would provide free electricity, but the power went off. In Himachal, they said that unemployment allowance will be given to unemployed youth, they will provide jobs and corruption will be ended. But these days there is an investigation going on as to ‘Who ate the samosa?’” Shri Nadda said, mocking the opposition for failing to deliver on their electoral promises.



The BJP National President also spoke about Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi’s special love for Jharkhand, pointing to various welfare schemes launched in the state.

“Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has a special love for Jharkhand. Ayushman Bharat Yojana was started in Ranchi, Mudra Yojana was started in Dumka, PM Janman Yojana was started in the village of Lord Birsa Munda and Vikasit Bharat Yatra also started here in Jharkhand,” he said, emphasising the government’s focus on the state’s development.

Shri Nadda outlined PM Shri Modi’s “5G approach” for governance, which includes “good governance,” “goodwill,” “guarantee to deliver,” Garib Kalyan,” and lastly “growth.”

The BJP National President also made a strong statement on rooting out Naxalism in Jharkhand, accusing the current Jharkhand Mukti Morcha government under Chief Minister Hemant Soren of allowing it to flourish. “We will root out the naxalism that has grown and flourished here during the rule of Hemant Soren. There will be no compromise with Naxalism,” he said. ■

Jharkhand needs the double-engine power of BJP for further progress: JP Nadda



KEY POINTS FROM THE SPEECH

- For the first time in 60 years, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has led the country to achieve a historic milestone by securing his third consecutive term, setting a record in Indian politics.
- Under the leadership of Shri Narendra Modi, every section and sector has experienced strength and growth over the past 10 years.
- People who once mocked and questioned the concept of "Acche Din" are now silent because the country has undergone a remarkable transformation.
- In the last 10 years, a massive investment of Rs. 90 lakh crore has been directed towards infrastructure development. This has resulted in the creation of highways, industrial corridors, and greenfield projects, all of which stand as a testament to the significant leap in India's development.
- While countries like the USA, Australia, Europe, Japan, and China are struggling economically, India is being described as a "Bright Spot" by the IMF. The nation is expected to become the 3rd largest economy in the world during Shri Modi's third term.
- 25 crore people have come out of the Below Poverty Line and extreme poverty has dropped to less than 1%, according to the IMF. Through the 'Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana,' 80 crore people are provided with 5 kg of free grains every month, lifting 25 crore people out of poverty.
- Under PM Kisan Samman Nidhi, 11.78 crore farmers are getting Rs. 6,000 annually. More than Rs. 3 Lakh crore has been given to 11 Lakh 78 Thousand farmers.
- Under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana, 55 crore people, or 12 crore families, are benefiting from free medical treatment up to Rs. 5 lakh. On October 29, 2024, the Modi government approved free treatment of Rs. 5 lakh per year for life to every citizen of the country above the age of 70 years. The BJP will give Rs. 10 lakh health coverage per year in Jharkhand.
- The World Bank says, 'India's economic position will remain strong even during the global recession.' During the Corona pandemic, America's economy and health system faltered and the economies of Japan and Europe faltered, but India stood strong with a 6.8% growth rate.
- In 2014, there were only 6 AIIMS in the country, but today there are 22 AIIMS, including the one in Deoghar, Jharkhand.
- Earlier, there were 387 medical colleges in the country, today, there are 766. The number of medical seats has increased by 125%, with 10,000 new medical seats added this year. Efforts are underway to increase 75,000 more medical seats in the future.
- The Modi government is a responsible, responsive, proactive and pro-people government. Jharkhand needs the double-engine power of the BJP for further progress.
- In the past 5 years, under the Hemant Soren government, both Naxalism and corruption have increased in Jharkhand. ■

JMM-Congress and RJD government created an atmosphere of loot in Jharkhand: Rajnath Singh

BJP senior leader and Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh addressed huge public meetings in Khunti and Chatra in Jharkhand on 09 November 2024. During these rallies, the Defence Minister mentioned the welfare work done by the NDA government for tribal and sharply criticized JMM and Congress for its corruption in Jharkhand.

In his address, Shri Singh said that not only Jharkhand but the whole India can never forget the contribution of Lord Birsa Mundaji. If any party has taken the initiative to honor Lord Birsa Munda at the national stage for the first time, then it is the Bharatiya Janata Party.

He said that Congress leaders are claiming that when our government is formed, we will conduct caste census and we will find out the total number of castes in India. I want to remind the Congress people that in the year 2011, a socio-economic caste census was conducted and about 46 lakh castes, sub-castes and gotras came out in this census. This

number was so big that the people who prepared this report at that time did not even make it public.

Attacking the Congress, the Defence

Minister said that if the Congress feels that the BJP has not fulfilled any of its promises, then they should come forward with courage and put their side in the court of the people. The BJP will answer each allegation. We can say with full sincerity that whatever promises the Congress, Jharkhand Mukti Morcha, and RJD made to the people of India, they never fulfilled them. They only misled the people by giving false assurances. ■



PM Modi visits LK Advani Ji on 97th birthday, lauds his contributions to Indian politics

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi met former Deputy Prime Minister of India and Bharat Ratna Shri Lal Krishna Advani at his residence on his 97th birthday on 8 November 2024 offering heartfelt greetings and acknowledging his significant role in India's development.

Earlier in the day, in a post on X, PM Shri Modi said, "Best wishes to LK Advani Ji on his birthday. This year is even more special because he was conferred the Bharat Ratna for his outstanding service to our nation. Among India's most admired statesmen, he has devoted himself to furthering India's development. He has always been respected for his intellect and rich insights. I am fortunate to

have received his guidance for many years. I pray for his long and healthy life".



BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda also visited Shri Advani ji residence to mark the occasion, sharing his tributes on X. "I extended my heartfelt birthday wishes to senior leader, former Deputy Prime Minister, and 'Bharat Ratna' respected Shri Lal Krishna Advani ji at his residence and received his blessings. I pray to God that you always remain

healthy and live long".

The Kamal Sandesh Parivar also wishes the former Deputy Prime Minister of India Bharat Ratna Shri Lal Krishna Advaniji a very Happy Birthday and prays for his good health and long life. ■

Maha Vikas Aghadi in reality is "Maha Vinash Aghadi": Amit Shah

'BJP will not allow religion-based reservation in the country'

Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah addressed a number of public rallies in Shirala, Karad South, and Sangli, Maharashtra on 08 November 2024. Shri Shah praised the Mahayuti government's developmental work in Maharashtra under the leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi. He condemned Maha Vikas Aghadi for failing to contribute to the state's development and rather working for their specific vote bank and practicing appeasement politics.



In a stinging criticism of the Congress for its proposal to give a 10 per cent quota for Muslims, Union Home Minister Amit Shah said that there will be no religion-based reservation in the country. Addressing an election rally in Palamu,

Jharkhand on 09 November 2024 Shri Shah said the Muslim quota was a Congress conspiracy. "I want to warn Rahul Gandhi that your conspiracy to give 10 per cent reservation to Muslims will never succeed." "If such a Muslim quota is created, the biggest losers will be OBCs, Dalits and Tribals as their share of reservation will be reduced," he warned.

There is no provision for reservation on the basis of religion in the Constitution. We can never give reservation to any particular religion, he said.

"In Maharashtra, a group of Muslim clerics gave Congress a memorandum that Muslims should be given 10 per cent reservation and the state president of Congress party agreed to help them achieve this, Shri Shah said. He criticised the Congress and the Jharkhand Mukti Morcha (JMM) for the state government's conspiracy to allow cross-border infiltration for vote bank politics.

Shri Shah also slammed the INDIA bloc for corruption, which was exposed by the recent recovery of over Rs 300 crore from a Congress MP's house and the seizure of Rs 30 crore from the home of an aide of Jharkhand minister Alamgir Alam.

The Home Minister also criticised the Leader of Opposition in Lok Sabha Rahul Gandhi over Article 370, saying neither the Congress leader nor his next four generations would be able to bring back Article 370, whose removal has fully integrated Jammu and Kashmir with the country under the Modi government. ■

Highlights

- The people of Maharashtra have faith in Modi Ji, which is why a Mahayuti government will be formed here on 23rd November.
- Rahul Baba and the Congress party insulted the Constitution by distributing blank books in the name of copies of the Constitution in a public meeting in Maharashtra.
- Rahul Gandhi, who seeks votes in the name of the Constitution, commits fraud with the Constitution.
- Each vote of the people of Maharashtra will decide whether the state follows the path of Shivaji Maharaj or that of Aurangzeb.
- On one hand, there are leaders committed to developing Maharashtra under the leadership of Modi Ji, while on the other hand, there are leaders who aim to divide the state under the leadership of Pawar Sahab and Rahul Baba.
- The Maha Vikas Aghadi only has "Vikas" in name, whereas in reality it is "Maha Vinash Aghadi", and they have nothing to do with development.
- AICC President is admitting that their promises are imaginary. Whatever promises their leaders make, they fail to fulfil them. In contrast, PM Shri Modi has fulfilled all the promises he made.
- In Maharashtra, on one hand, there are leaders who want to develop the country, and on the other hand, there are leaders who want to develop only three families.
- Modi Ji has brought an amendment to the Waqf Board Act, but the INDI Alliance is opposing it. These people want to give the land of Mandirs and farmers to the Waqf Board. ■



BJP will work to protect the interests of 'Roti,' 'Beti' and 'Maati': Amit Shah

Presenting a roadmap for the development of Jharkhand under a BJP-led government, union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah unveiled the BJP's 'Sankalp Patra' for the upcoming assembly elections in Ranchi on 03 November 2024. Shri Shah highlighted the development initiatives undertaken for Jharkhand under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and launched a strong critique against the JMM, Congress, and the INDI alliance concerning illegal infiltration, corruption, rising crime, the safety of tribal communities, and demographic changes in the state. During the event, Jharkhand Election in-charge and Union Minister Shri Shivraj Singh Chouhan, Co-In-Charge and Assam Chief Minister Shri Himanta Biswa Sarma, BJP National Vice-President Shri Lakshmikant Vajpayee, BJP State President Shri Babulal Marandi among other leaders were present.

Shri Shah emphasized that the upcoming assembly elections in Jharkhand are not merely about changing the government, they are about securing the state's future. The people of Jharkhand must decide whether they want a government mired in deep corruption or a BJP government that is committed to development under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. They need to choose between a government that jeopardizes the livelihoods, dignity, and culture of the people through illegal infiltration or a BJP government that protects the borders so effectively that not even a bird can cross. The youth, suffering from unemployment and paper leaks, are looking toward the Bharatiya

Janata Party with hope. The people of Jharkhand are ready to select a government that prioritizes the welfare of the poor rather than one that siphons off funds meant for their development into the pockets of family and friends.

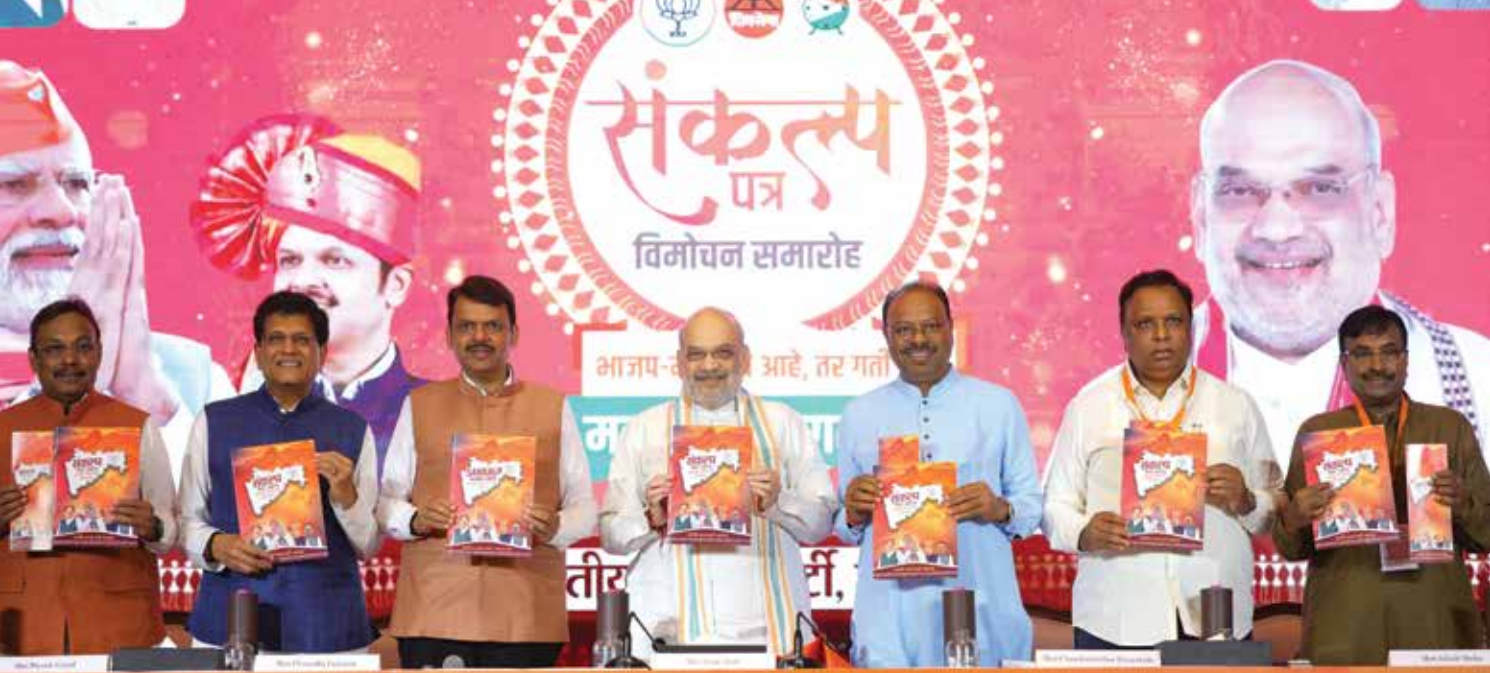
The Union Home Minister said the BJP differentiates itself from other parties by not merely making promises, but by committing to them and ensuring their fulfillment. It is the only party in the country that stands by its words. The key points of the 'Sankalp Patra' include:

Salient Points of 'Sankalp Patra'

- In Jharkhand, the BJP government will deposit Rs. 2,100 into women's bank accounts on the 11th of every month through the 'Gogo Didi Yojana'.
- Gas cylinders will be made available to women Rs. 500, and one cylinder each will be provided free of charge during Diwali and Raksha Bandhan.
- Over the next five years, 500,000 job opportunities will be created for the youth of Jharkhand, along with fair and transparent recruitment for around 300,000 government positions.
- A unified exam calendar will be issued, and each year, 100,000 job opportunities will be made available to the youth of Jharkhand.
- Every graduate and postgraduate youth will be provided with a monthly stipend of Rs. 2,000 as 'Yuva Sathi Bhatta.'
- BJP government will ensure that it fulfils its promise of providing a permanent house to every poor person in Jharkhand and will soon complete 21 lakh homes

under the PM Awas Yojana.

- In Jharkhand, transparency and fairness will be upheld in the recruitment process for government positions. The CBI and SIT will investigate previous paper leak scandals, and those responsible will be prosecuted and imprisoned.
- Infiltration will be prevented, and a rigorous legal process will be ensured. All lands that have been illegally occupied will be restored to the names of Jharkhand's tribal daughters.
- A one-time stamp duty scheme will be reintroduced.
- Forthcoming BJP government will provide free education to the daughters of Jharkhand in B.Ed, nursing, and other vocational programs.
- Rehabilitation will be guaranteed prior to any displacement, and a rehabilitation commission will be formed under the leadership of a retired judge.
- Grants and support will be offered for the development of tribal religious and cultural sites.
- Grand memorial will be constructed for Bhagwan Birsa Munda in Jamshedpur, for Sidho Kanho in Dumka, for Nilamber-Pitamber in Palamu, for Bodhau Bhagat in Lohardaga, for Potoho in Jagannathpur, and for Telang Khariya in Gumla.
- The Uniform Civil Code will be implemented in Jharkhand and the state's tribal population will be exempt from it.
- Under the Matritva Suraksha Yojana, 6 nutrition kits and financial assistance of Rs. 21,000 will be provided.
- 10 new medical colleges will be established for the youth.
- The coverage amount for the Ayushman Bharat Jeevan Dhara Yojana will be raised from Rs. 5 lakh to Rs. 10 lakh, and for members aged 70 and above, it will be increased to Rs. 15 lakh.
- A total of 25,000 new beds will be established in CHCs, PHCs, and government hospitals.
- A zero-tolerance policy towards corruption will be enforced, and SIT will be established to investigate the funds misappropriated by the Ghamandia alliance members, ensuring that those responsible are put behind bars.
- Illegal mining will be halted, and the 181 CM Samvad Helpline will be reactivated.
- In the state, the salary of the Panchayat heads will be set at Rs. 5,000, and under Operation Suraksha, a 24-hour toll-free helpline will be established, along with the creation of special assistance.
- Efforts will be made to completely eradicate cattle smuggling in Jharkhand.
- Rice from farmers will be bought at a rate of Rs. 3,100 per quintal, with payment made within 48 hours.
- New approaches will be sought to implement the 27% reservation for backward classes without decreasing reservations for any other category.
- Efforts will be made to construct the Diamond Expressway and under the PM Gram Sadak Yojana, 25,000 kilometers of roads will be built.
- BJP government in Jharkhand will offer a Rs. 20,000 scholarship for coaching in SAT, NEET, IIT, IAS, JAS, and Banking, as well as free premium online courses will be provided. Furthermore, the government will pay the full interest on loans up to Rs. 10 lakh for higher education.
- Jharkhand Johar Bhawan will be set up in every major city across the country, offering affordable accommodation with quality facilities.
- Pensions for the elderly, widows, and persons with disabilities will be raised up to Rs. 2,500.
- Processing and storage facilities will be set up in tribal regions.
- All forest products will be purchased.
- Internship and skill training programs will be launched in Jharkhand, offering annual financial support of Rs. 1 lakh to 500,000 young individuals.
- IITs will be enhanced through a hub-and-spoke model.
- Routes connecting prominent Devi temples will be developed as the Devi Circuit.
- The Baba Baidyanath and Basukinath pilgrimage sites will be equipped with ultra-modern facilities.
- Jharkhand will be developed as the hub of eco-tourism.
- Languages spoken in Jharkhand, such as Ho, Mundari, Kurukh, Kurmali, Bhumij and Sadri, will be integrated into the state's educational institutions. Furthermore, some of these languages will be designated as official languages of Jharkhand. Efforts will be made to include them in the Eighth Schedule.
- A committee of scholars will be established to create a grammar dictionary for tribal languages, as well as to focus on Eastern languages. ■



‘Sankalpa Patra’ plans to create a strong, prosperous, and secure Maharashtra: Amit Shah

Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah released the Bharatiya Janata Party’s ‘Sankalpa Patra’ for the Maharashtra Assembly Election 2024 in Mumbai on 10 November 2024. During the event, Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal, BJP National General Secretary Shri Vinod Tawde, BJP Maharashtra President Shri Chandrashekhar Bawankule, Maharashtra Deputy Chief Minister Shri Devendra Fadnavis and other leaders were present. Addressing the gathering on the occasion, Shri Shah highlighted the achievements of the NDA-led Mahayuti government in Maharashtra, emphasizing economic growth and infrastructure development. He criticized the MVA alliance for its internal contradictions and failure to deliver on promises and its alignment with groups that oppose Maharashtra’s cultural and social values.

Shri Shah remarked that the release of the ‘Sankalpa Patra’ represents the aspirations of the people of Maharashtra and reflects the greatness of its land. Maharashtra has been at the forefront of leadership in every field nationwide for centuries. The Bhakti movement started here, the struggle for freedom was led by Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj from this very land and the social revolution also began in Maharashtra. The NDA-led Mahayuti government has worked towards honouring farmers, implementing measures

for the welfare of the poor, and has introduced schemes to empower women and enhance their dignity. Additionally, the Mahayuti government has undertaken efforts to restore and preserve the nation’s heritage.

He highlighted that for the first time after Jammu and Kashmir’s return to freedom, the state’s election and the Chief Minister’s oath were taken in accordance with Dr Ambedkar’s Constitution, which is the highest tribute to Dr Ambedkar. Following the abrogation of Article 370, leaders in Jammu and Kashmir swore allegiance to the true Constitution of India, a moment of pride for the entire nation. Through the ‘Sankalpa Patra’, the Mahayuti government has committed to promoting the legacies of great leaders, preserving cultural heritage, and advancing national traditions. The ‘Sankalpa Patra’ outlines a plan to create a strong, prosperous, and secure Maharashtra.

Shri Shah pointed out that in the upcoming Maharashtra elections, the Mahayuti is contesting against the Maha Vikas Aghadi (MVA). The MVA’s policies are driven by a hunger for power, focused on appeasement and undermining ideological values and are disconnected from Maharashtra’s culture. The MVA’s approach seeks to manipulate the state’s traditions for political gain.

Shri Shah said this manifesto has been created by

incorporating the suggestions of every section, region, age group and social class of Maharashtra. This manifesto is a reflection of the aspirations of the people of Maharashtra. Whenever a BJP-led government forms in Maharashtra, the state progresses, but when the Congress-led alliance government comes to power, only politics is played. To empower the youth of Maharashtra and make the state the leading one in the country across all sectors, it is essential to form a Mahayuti government under the leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi.

Key points of the 'Sankalp Patra'

- Increase in the Ladli Behna Yojana and old-age pension. Farmers will receive loan waivers, and the Kisan Samman Nidhi will be raised from Rs. 12,000 to Rs. 15,000 annually.
- Inflation will be controlled through a Price Stabilization Fund.
- 10 lakh talented students will be provided with a monthly stipend of Rs. 10,000 to support further studies and opportunities.
- Roads will be constructed in 45,000 villages.
- Insurance coverage will be provided to ASHA and Anganwadi workers and their monthly salary will be raised to Rs. 15,000.
- The electricity bill will be reduced by 30% and the savings will be invested in solar and renewable energy.
- By 2028, the Mahayuti government aims to make Maharashtra a \$1 trillion economy, contributing significantly to PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji's vision of a \$5 trillion Indian economy.
- Under the Make in Maharashtra policy, Maharashtra will be developed as a leading manufacturing state.
- The country's first Artificial Intelligence university will be established in Maharashtra.
- Aeronautics and space centers will be set up in Nagpur, Pune, Sambhajinagar, Ahilyanagar, and Nashik.
- To increase farmers' income, SGST relief will be provided by refunding the SGST paid by farmers as a subsidy.
- An MSP of Rs. 6,000 per quintal will be provided for soybeans and soybean processing units will be set up.
- Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's Lakhpati Didi Yojana, which empowers women economically, will be advanced by the Maharashtra Mahayuti government. The government will create 50 lakh Lakhpati Didi in Maharashtra, with 500 self-help groups being trained. Several industrial systems will be established, with an annual fund of Rs. 1,000 crore allocated for this initiative.
- Under the "Akshay Ann Yojana", the free ration provided every month will include rice, jowar, peanuts, oil, salt, turmeric, mustard, cumin and spices.
- Maharashtra will be the first state to implement the Skill Census. Based on the talent of students, they will be provided with appropriate opportunities.
- Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj Aakanksha Kendra will be created which will create 10 lakh new entrepreneurs.
- The Maharashtra Mahayuti government will provide interest-free loans up to Rs. 15 lakh for people from Scheduled Castes and Scheduled Tribes to start their entrepreneurial ventures, with the government guaranteeing the loan.
- Reimbursement of tuition fees and examination fees will be provided to eligible students of OBC, SEBC, EWS, NT, and VJNT.
- Maharashtra is home to many ancient and historic forts, which are symbols of the state's pride and play a significant role in its historical and cultural development. To preserve and promote this historical and cultural heritage of Maharashtra, a Fort Development Authority (FDA) will be established.
- A priority policy will be adopted for senior citizens, under which the implementation of Aadhaar-enabled Service Delivery (AESD) will ensure automatic service delivery for each senior citizen.
- A strict law will be enacted against forced and fraudulent religious conversions, ensuring protection from coercive and deceptive religious conversions.
- To prevent loss of life and property caused by wildlife such as tigers, leopards, elephants, nilgai, wild boars and monkeys in agricultural and human settlement areas and to reduce human-animal conflict, modern technologies like Artificial Intelligence (AI), drones and radio collars will be effectively used. ■



ONE RANK ONE PENSION (OROP) IN INDIA

A Landmark Initiative Celebrating 10 Years of Tribute to the Nation's Heroes

One Rank One Pension was a tribute to the courage and sacrifices of our veterans and ex-service personnel who dedicate their lives to protecting our nation. The decision to implement OROP was a significant step towards addressing this long-standing demand and reaffirming our nation's gratitude to our heroes -PM Shri Narendra Modi

In a historic move to address long-standing disparities in pension benefits, India launched the One Rank One Pension (OROP) scheme, a decision that would change the lives of its military veterans. For years, veterans had fought not just on the battlefield, but also for equal recognition in their post-service lives, particularly when it came to pension benefits. With the introduction of OROP, the government took a bold step to ensure that soldiers who had served the nation with unwavering dedication would be treated fairly.

This initiative marked a momentous commitment to honor the sacrifices and service of those who had protected the country, promising them the respect and financial security they deserved.

As OROP completes the 10 years in 2024, it is essential to reflect on the immense benefits the scheme has brought to the armed forces community. The initiative has not only bridged the pension gap between current and past retirees but also reinforced the nation's dedication to the well-being of its veterans. By bringing equity and fairness to pensionary benefits, OROP has played a crucial role in fortifying the bond between the Indian government and its military personnel.

The introduction of OROP has proven to be a game-changer for lakh of ex-servicemen and their families, ensuring that military personnel are treated with the respect they deserve throughout their post-retirement lives.

Overview of One Rank One Pension

At its core, One Rank One Pension (OROP) is a simple yet profound idea: that military personnel retiring in the same rank and with the same length of service should receive the same pension, regardless

of their date of retirement. The principle addresses the

10 years of OROP

A Milestone for Empowering Ex-Servicemen

- Promotes equality & justice among veterans**
- Pensions are revised every five years, with the latest revision effective from July 2024**
- Benefiting over 25.14 lakh Armed Forces Pensioners, including family pensioners**

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disparity in pension benefits faced by former soldiers due to inflation, changes in pay scales, and the evolving nature of service conditions over time.

The scheme directly benefits the ex-servicemen and their families by ensuring that the pension gap between current and retired personnel is bridged periodically. The successful implementation of OROP in 2014 was not only a policy shift but a significant gesture of the government's gratitude and respect towards those who served the nation.

Key Features of the OROP Scheme

The OROP order issued by the government on November 7, 2015, brought into effect a uniform pension system for all retired defense personnel,

ensuring that the same rank with the same length of service would get equal pension benefits. The policy's primary elements include:

Re-fixation of Pensions: The pension of all past pensioners is re-fixed based on the pensions of personnel who retired in 2013, starting from July 1, 2014. This created a new benchmark for pensions, with all retirees getting equal benefits for their service.

Periodic Revision: The pension is to be re-fixed every five years, ensuring that it continues to reflect changes in the pay and pension structure.

Arrears Payments: Arrears of pension were to be paid in equal half-yearly installments, although the arrears for family pensioners and gallantry awardees were paid in a single installment.

Safeguarding Above-Average Pension: For personnel drawing pensions higher than the average, their pensions are protected, ensuring that they do not lose out on the benefits of OROP.

Inclusive of All Ex-Servicemen: The order covered all personnel who retired up to June 30, 2014, and provided a robust framework for revising pensions for all ranks, including family pensioners.

Addressing a Long-Standing Demand

The demand for One Rank One Pension (OROP) had been a longstanding issue, lingering for over 40 years. Several government committees and commissions had examined the matter, but each time, the proposal was dismissed, mainly due to financial constraints and administrative complexities. The 3rd Central Pay Commission was the first to address the issue in a comprehensive way, recommending weightages in qualifying service for pensions. Over the years, committees like the K.P. Singh Dev Committee (1984) and the Sharad Pawar Committee (1991) also studied the matter but failed to offer a definitive solution. Despite these setbacks, the demand remained persistent, with the Standing Committee on Defence and other forums continuing to advocate for its implementation.

By the time of the 16th Lok Sabha and under the leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, the government decided to honor the demands of ex-servicemen. The 2014 Budget allocated Rs 1,000 crore for its implementation, and after extensive consultations, the Government Order was passed on

November 7, 2015, covering all personnel who had retired until June 30, 2014.

Impact on Veterans and Their Families

The OROP scheme has benefitted over 25 lakh veterans and their families, bringing much-needed financial security to the ex-servicemen community. The scheme has not only improved the standard of living for retired military personnel but has also ensured greater dignity for their service to the nation. For many veterans, this was a long-awaited recognition of their contributions, bridging the gap between their sacrifices and the rewards they received post-retirement.

OROP has also had significant social and emotional value. It has contributed to a stronger bond between the Indian government and its military veterans, signaling the nation's commitment to those who serve and protect its sovereignty. For the families of soldiers, many of whom live with the sacrifices of their loved ones, this policy brought a sense of fulfillment and acknowledgment.

Looking Ahead: OROP's Continued Relevance

On this day, when OROP was implemented a decade ago, it is important to recognize the continuing significance of this policy for the defense forces. As Prime Minister Modi emphasized, the OROP scheme is not just about pensions but is an affirmation of the government's dedication to strengthening the armed forces and enhancing the welfare of those who have selflessly served the nation.

The re-fixation of pensions every five years ensures that the scheme remains adaptable to the evolving needs of ex-servicemen and their families. It also continues to be a powerful symbol of the government's commitment to addressing the concerns of its military personnel, many of whom are at the forefront of protecting India's borders and interests.

In conclusion, as we reflect on the impact of One Rank One Pension, it is clear that the policy has provided much-needed relief and recognition to India's veterans. With continued refinements and periodic revisions, OROP promises to remain a cornerstone of the nation's support for its armed forces, ensuring that the heroes who safeguard India's sovereignty are honored, respected, and cared for long after they have hung up their uniforms. ■

CABINET APPROVES PM-VIDYALAXMI SCHEME TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT TO MERITORIOUS STUDENTS

The Union Cabinet, chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, on 6 November approved PM Vidyalaxmi, a new Central Sector scheme that seeks to provide financial support to meritorious students so that financial constraints do not prevent anyone from pursuing higher studies. PM Vidyalaxmi is another

assistance should be made available to meritorious students through various measures in both public and private HEIs. Under the PM Vidyalaxmi scheme, any student who gets admission in quality Higher Education Institution (QHEIs) will be eligible to get collateral free, guarantor free loan from banks and financial institutions to cover full amount of tuition fees and other expenses related to the course. The scheme will be administered through a simple, transparent and student-friendly system that will be inter-operable and entirely digital.

- A mission mode mechanism will facilitate and drive the extension of education loans to meritorious students who get admission in the top 860 quality higher educational institutions of the nation, translating to covering more than 22 lakh students every year.
- A special loan product will enable for collateral free, guarantor free education loans; made accessible through a simple, transparent, student-friendly and entirely digital application process
- Loan amounts up to Rs. 7.5 lakhs will be provided a 75% credit guarantee by the Government of India, to support banks to expand coverage
- Furthermore, for students with up to Rs. 8 lakhs annual family income, the scheme will also provide for 3% interest subvention on loans up to Rs 10 lakh
- This is in addition to the full interest subvention already offered to students with up to Rs. 4.5 lakhs annual family income
- PM Vidyalaxmi will build on the scope and reach of initiatives taken over the last decade for maximizing access to quality higher education for the youth.

Cabinet Decisions
6th Nov 2024

PM-Vidyalaxmi
Collateral-free, Guarantor-free Education Loans
Maximising access to quality Higher Education for **Yuva Shakti**

- Total outlay ₹ 3600 Crore
- Financial assistance to meritorious students securing admission in top 860 HEIs of India
- Benefitting 22 Lakh+ new students every year

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Collateral-free, Guarantor-free Education Loans
Maximising access to quality Higher Education for **Yuva Shakti**

- Students having annual family income of upto ₹ 8 lakh shall be eligible to get 3% interest subvention on loans upto ₹ 10 lakh.
- Loans upto ₹ 7.5 lakhs shall be eligible for 75% credit guarantee.
- Education loans will be facilitated through a transparent, student-friendly and digital application process common to all banks.
- PM Vidyalaxmi is another concrete step towards implementation of NEP.

INDIA BECOMES PRESIDENT OF INTERNATIONAL SOLAR ALLIANCE (ISA) FOR 2024 – 2026

The seventh session of the ISA Assembly on 4th November at the iconic Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi elected its President and Co-president for a period of two years from 2024 to 2026. While the Republic of India was the sole contender for the post of President, the Co-Presidency was contested between the Republic of France and Grenada, with the Republic of France emerging victorious.

The Rules of Procedure of the Assembly of the International Solar Alliance provide for the election of the President, Co-President, and Vice Presidents.

key initiative stemming out of the National Education Policy, 2020, which had recommended that financial

GOVERNMENT'S ACHIEVEMENTS

The Assembly elects the President and Co-President, with due regard to equitable geographical representation. The four regional groups of the ISA Members include Africa; Asia and the Pacific; Europe and Others; and Latin America and the Caribbean. Eight Vice Presidents of the Standing Committee, two from each of the four ISA geographical regions, are selected based on seniority in terms of submitting the instrument of ratification to the depositary on a rotation basis from the ISA Member Countries in the specific region.

The Republic of Ghana and the Republic of Seychelles will hold office as Vice Presidents for the Africa region; the Commonwealth of Australia and the Democratic Socialist Republic of Sri Lanka for Asia and the Pacific region; the Federal Republic of Germany and the Republic of Italy for Europe and the Others region; Grenada and Republic of Suriname from the Latin America and the Caribbean region.

CABINET APPROVES INFUSION OF EQUITY OF RS.10,700 CRORE IN FCI

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA) chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 6 November approved infusion of equity of Rs.10,700 crore for working capital in financial year 2024-25 in Food Corporation of India (FCI). The decision is aimed at bolstering the agricultural sector and ensuring the welfare of farmers nationwide. This strategic move shows the Government's steadfast commitment to supporting farmers and fortifying India's agrarian economy.

FCI plays a pivotal role in ensuring food security by procurement of food grains at Minimum Support Price (MSP), maintenance of strategic food grain stocks, distribution of food grains for welfare measure and stabilization of food grain prices in the market.

The infusion of Equity is a significant step towards enhancing the operational capabilities of FCI in fulfilling its mandate effectively. ■

INDIAN RAILWAYS SETS NEW RECORD: OVER 3 CRORE PASSENGERS TRAVELED IN RAILWAYS IN A SINGLE DAY ON 4TH NOVEMBER, 2024

During this year's festive season from October 1 to November 5, 2024, Indian Railways achieved a remarkable feat by transporting 65 lakh passengers

on 4,521 special trains in last thirty six days. These additional services have played a crucial role in facilitating smooth travel during the ongoing Durga Puja, Diwali and Chhath Puja celebrations. These special efforts of Railways ensured lakhs of passengers could reach their destinations comfortably. This achievement shows Indian Railways' commitment to meeting the increased demand during peak festival times, making travel easier and more accessible for all. To meet the increased travel demand during the festive period from October 1 to November 30, 2024, Indian Railways announced a total of 7,724 special trains, marking a 73% increase compared to last year's 4,429 special train services. This substantial expansion aims to ensure seamless travel during the peak festival season. Indian Railways has operated an average of 175 special trains per day over the past four days to carry passengers to their destinations for Chhath Puja.

PM MODI INAUGURATES SEVERAL PROJECTS AND LAUNCHES VARIOUS HEALTH PROGRAMMES ON DHANVANTARI JAYANTI

In a landmark development aimed at strengthening India's healthcare infrastructure and providing quality healthcare services across the country, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 29th October inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of several health infrastructure projects, and launched various health programmes across the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, Ministry of Ayush, Dept. of Pharmaceuticals, Ministry of Chemicals & Fertilizers, and Employees' State Insurance Corporation (ESIC) under Ministry of Labour & Employment at an event at All India Institute of Ayurveda (AIIA). The total outlay of these projects amounts to more than 12,855 cr.

Union Minister of Health and Family Welfare, Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda; Union Minister of Labour and Employment, Dr. Mansukh Mandaviya; Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for AYUSH and Union MoS for Health and Family Welfare, Shri Prataprao Jadhav; Union Minister of State for Health and Family Welfare, Smt. Anupriya Patel; Union Minister of State for Labour and Employment, Smt. Shobha Karandlaje and Shri Ramvir Singh Bidhuri, South Delhi MP (Lok Sabha) were also present on the occasion. ■



TRIBUTE TO SHRI RATAN TATA

By- Narendra Modi

It has been a month since Shri Ratan Tata Ji left us. From bustling cities and towns to villages, his absence is deeply felt across every segment of society. Seasoned industrialists, budding entrepreneurs and hardworking professionals mourn his loss. Those passionate about the environment and devoted to philanthropy are equally saddened. His absence has been deeply felt not only across the nation but also around the world.

For the youth, Shri Ratan Tata was an inspiration, a reminder that dreams are worth pursuing and that success can coexist with compassion as well as humility. For others, he represented the finest traditions of Indian enterprise and a steadfast commitment to the values of integrity, excellence and service. Under his leadership, the Tata Group ascended to new heights, embodying respect, honesty and credibility worldwide. Despite this, he wore his achievements lightly, with humility and kindness.

Shri Ratan Tata's unwavering support for the dreams of others was one of his most defining qualities. In recent years, he became known for mentoring India's StartUp ecosystem, investing in many promising ventures. He understood the hopes and aspirations of young entrepreneurs and recognised the potential they had to shape India's future. By backing their efforts, he empowered a generation of dreamers to take bold risks and push boundaries. This has gone a long way in creating a culture of innovation and entrepreneurship, which I am confident will continue to positively impact India for decades to come.

He constantly championed excellence, urging Indian enterprises to set global benchmarks. This vision, I hope, will inspire our future leaders to make India synonymous with world-class quality.

His greatness was not restricted to the boardroom or helping fellow humans. His compassion extended



For crores of Indians, Shri Ratan Tata's patriotism shone brightest in times of crisis. His swift reopening of the iconic Taj Hotel in Mumbai after the 26/11 terror attacks was a rallying call to the nation—India stands united, refusing to yield to terrorism

to all living beings. His deep love for animals was well-known and he supported every possible effort focused on animal welfare. He often shared photos of his dogs, who were as much a part of his life as any business venture. His life was a reminder to us all that true leadership is measured not just by one's achievements, but by one's ability to care for the most vulnerable.

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On a personal note, I had the privilege of knowing him very closely over the years. We worked closely in Gujarat, where he invested extensively, including in many of the projects he was very passionate about. Just a few weeks ago, I was in Vadodara with the President of the Government of Spain, Mr. Pedro Sánchez and we jointly inaugurated an aircraft complex where C-295 aircrafts would be made in India. It was Shri Ratan Tata who started working on this. Needless to say, Shri Ratan Tata's presence was greatly missed.

I remember Shri Ratan Tata Ji as a man of letters—he would frequently write to me on various issues, be it matters of governance, expressing appreciation

for government support, or sending congratulatory wishes after electoral victories.

Our close interactions continued when I moved to the Centre and he remained a committed partner in our nation-building efforts. Shri Ratan Tata's support for the Swachh Bharat Mission was particularly close to my heart. He was a vocal advocate of this mass movement, understanding that cleanliness, hygiene and sanitation are vital for India's progress. I still remember his heartfelt video message for the Swachh Bharat Mission's tenth anniversary at the start of October. It was among his final public appearances.

Another cause close to his heart was healthcare and especially the fight against cancer. I recall the programme in Assam two years ago, where we had

jointly inaugurated various cancer hospitals in the state. In his remarks that time, he had categorically stated that he wishes to dedicate his final years to healthcare. His efforts to make health and cancer care accessible and affordable were rooted in a profound empathy for those battling diseases, believing that a just society was one that stood by its most vulnerable.

As we remember him today, we are reminded of the society he envisioned—where business can serve as a force for good, where every individual's potential is valued and where progress is measured in the well-being and happiness of all. He remains alive in the lives he touched and the dreams he nurtured. Generations will be grateful to him for making India a better, kinder and more hopeful place. ■

SHRADHANJALI

Jammu & Kashmir MLA Devender Singh Rana no more Prime Minister condoles the demise

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi has condoled the passing away of Jammu & Kashmir MLA, Shri Devender Singh Rana. The Prime Minister posted on X:

“Shri Devender Singh Rana Ji's untimely demise is shocking. He was a veteran leader, who worked diligently towards Jammu and Kashmir's progress. He had just won the Assembly polls and had also played a noteworthy role in making the BJP stronger in J&K. In this hour of grief, my thoughts are with his family and supporters. Om Shanti.”

Devender Singh Rana, a senior Bharatiya Janata Party leader and sitting MLA from the Nagrota assembly constituency in Jammu and Kashmir, passed away on 31st October at the age of 59. He was receiving treatment at a private hospital in Faridabad, Haryana, according to a party spokesperson.

He was the younger brother of Union minister Shri Jitendra Singh. He is survived by his wife, two daughters, and a son. In the recent Jammu and Kashmir assembly elections, Shri Rana won the Nagrota seat, defeating his closest competitor, Joginder Singh of the JKNC, by a substantial margin of 30,472 votes.



The BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda condoled the demise of the leader. He wrote on X “Deeply saddened by the untimely passing of senior BJP leader and MLA from Nagrota, Shri Devender Singh Rana ji. His dedication to public service and contributions towards the development of the people of Jammu & Kashmir will be remembered. His departure is an irreparable loss to the party. My heartfelt condolences to his family and supporters. May his soul rest in eternal peace. Om Shanti!” ■



PM Modi Story



Narendra Modi's participation in 1993 Swami Vivekananda Centenary Celebration in USA

(Narrated by: Hasmukh Patel, NRI- USA)

The Vishwa Hindu Parishad (VHP) celebrated the centenary of Swami Vivekananda's historic speech at the Parliament of the World's Religions in Chicago, USA in 1893.

A young Narendra Modi was invited to the US as a promising politician. Shri Hasmukh Patel, an RSS Pracharak who accompanied Shri Narendra Modi on the trip, recalled its significance. He said Shri Modi, then a dedicated RSS Pracharak, organised a youth conference during the event.

The gathering was held in a large hall with an expansive outdoor, where a symbolic march



was organised. Leading the march, a Swayamsevak held the Indian national flag high as the traditional music from the Ghosh (RSS musical band) filled the air.

Shri Patel said the event was a grand affair with 15,000-20,000 people attending it. The celebration left a lasting impression also because of Shri Modi's role in mobilizing and inspiring the youth.

His participation in this event is a testament to his commitment to the values of Swami Vivekananda and his dedication to the Indian diaspora abroad, Shri Hasmukh Patel added. ■

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REBATI BISWAS



Shri Rebati Biswas was born in Faridpur district of Bangladesh but later moved to Diglipur village in Andaman. At a very young age of 21, Shri Biswas ji became the disciple of Gopal ji Maharaj and grew more closer to Hinduism. Shri Biswas ji was deeply inspired by the ideology of BJP and joined the party in 1990 under the leadership of Shri Bishnu Pada. Single-handedly, he established BJP in Diglipur, the northernmost island of the country. By traveling to remote areas, he made people aware of BJP, and eventually several people became workers and supporters

of the organization. In 1996, Shri Biswas' tireless efforts helped Shri Bishnu Pada, a BJP candidate, become a member of parliament.

As president of Kishan Morcha in 2013, he fought to make sure Diglipur farmers received fertiliser on time. In addition, he suggested building a dam on the Kalpong river to provide irrigation throughout the year. Shri Rebati Biswas was appointed as the National Executive Member of the party. In 2005, he was also elected as a member to the Panchayat Samiti under



REBATI BISWAS

Date of Birth	01/01/1959	Gender	male
State	Andaman And Nicobar Islands	District	North And Middle Andaman District
Town/City	DIGLIPUR	Level	State
Post in Organisation	State President	Active years	2013-2014

Diglipur Gram Panchayat, but he preferred to work for the party. ■



INDIA'S DEFENCE REVOLUTION TAKES FLIGHT!



NARENDRA MODI

Yesterday (29th October) was a watershed moment in India's defence and aerospace journey as we inaugurated the C-295 aircraft manufacturing complex in Vadodara alongside the President of the Government of Spain, my friend Mr. Pedro Sanchez.

The speed of execution is breathtaking - from foundation stone to operational facility in just two years! This is a clear manifestation of a new work culture and the capabilities of the people of India.

One way to see India's success is in the numbers:

- Defence production has soared to Rs. 1.27 lakh crore (2023-24)
- Defence exports have skyrocketed from Rs. 1,000 crore in 2014 Rs. 21,000 crore today
- 12,300+ items have been indigenised in just 3 years.
- Over Rs. 7,500 crore invested in domestic vendors by DPSUs.
- 25% of defence R&D budget dedicated to industry-led innovation.

But, in addition to the numbers as well, there are things which will make everyone very happy:

Complete Defence Ecosystem is being transformed:

1. Manufacturing Success:

- Indigenous warships patrolling

- our waters
- Made-in-India missiles strengthening our deterrence
- Domestically produced bulletproof jackets protecting our soldiers
- India is becoming Aatmanirbhar

- defence manufacturing sector
 - Skill development for our youth
 - MSMEs getting a boost in the defence sector.
- From a time when our



in defence and is also working to be a top of the line defence equipment manufacturer.

2. Strategic Infrastructure:

- Two modern Defence Corridors in Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.

3. Innovation Initiatives:

- iDEX (Innovations for Defence Excellence) is powering an entire StartUp eco-system.
- MSMEs becoming integral to the defence supply chain
- Industry-academia partnerships fostering R&D

Thanks to the strengths and skills of our Yuva Shakti and the efforts of the Government, we are seeing the following impacts:

- Reduced import dependency
- Job creation across the

forces faced critical equipment shortages to today's era of self-reliance - this is a journey that every Indian can be proud of.

A Call to Action:

To our youth, startups, manufacturers, and innovators - India's defence sector is calling! This is your moment to be part of history. India needs your expertise and enthusiasm.

The doors are open for innovation, the policies are supportive, and the opportunity is unprecedented. Together, we will make India not just Aatmanirbhar in defence but a global leader in defence manufacturing.

Together, let's build a stronger, self-reliant Bharat! ■

(The writer is Prime Minister of India)

INDIAN NATIONAL CONGRESS

AN ENDLESS TALE OF BROKEN PROMISES

The Indian National Congress is synonymous with broken promises and poor governance. Before every state and national election, the party presents its promises and plans before the people, only to deceive them later, if they form the government. When they promise a loan waiver, they complain about a lack of funds. The sustainability of every freebie programme they introduce is uncertain, as evident in the states they are currently governing. Fulfilling the new infrastructure needs is a distant dream in the Congress regime, given the ongoing projects are pushed to the backburner indefinitely, resulting in inconvenience for the people.

The one constant about the Congress is their ability to come up with excuses, in case they fail to deliver on their promises. The easiest route to take is to blame the Centre, as evident in Karnataka and Himachal Pradesh today. Unable to match the promises with the state's fiscal health, the Congress attributes its broken promises to the work of the

previous regimes, as seen in Telangana.

In the states where they were in power, the standard formula is to make lofty promises before the election, only to forget them later on. In Rajasthan, the Congress healthcare programme was sold to the people with much fanfare, only to leave them disappointed with the implementation.

The broken promises are also a testament to the leadership of the Congress that is without accountability, credibility, or believability. After the elections of 2024, several voters of the Congress queued up before party offices, carrying the fake guarantee cards that promised them Rs. 1,00,000.

Congress has an elaborate history of such broken promises. From Garibi Hatao in the 1970s to the promise of an unemployment allowance in 2024, and from overturning the Supreme Court verdict Shah Bano case in 1985 to promising minorities the first right to India's resources in 2006, Congress has mastered the art of taking the Indian electorate for granted and for a ride.

HIMACHAL PRADESH: NYAY NAHI ANYAY HAI !

HIMACHAL PRADESH REPORT CARD

BENEFICIARIES	PROMISES	DELIVERY FAILURE
Common Public	Free electricity up to 300 units monthly to all households	Scheme scrapped right after by-polls ended
Milk Farmers	Milk procurement rate at Rs. 80-100/litre Cow dung procurement at Rs. 2/kg	Milk farmers get only Rs. 45-55/litre No relief for cow dung yet!
Youth	1 lakh jobs every year and a total of 5 lakh jobs in five years	Could not provide regular jobs to even 1,300 youth in a year
Pensioners	Restoring Old Pension Scheme	No regular salary for employees
Women	Rs. 1,500 per month to all women between 18 to 60 years	Halted transfers to women citing no availability of funds
Common Public	Mobile health clinics	No new clinics started under Congress
Taxi Drivers	Taxi permits will be 15 years	Promises, but no permits awarded
Youth	Rajiv Gandhi Self-Employment Start-up fund of Rs. 680 crore for youth	No new jobs. Aspirants continue to protest against the government

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Fate of Youth in Himachal Pradesh



Students at Himachal University with CM, May 2023

Job aspirants protest outside CM's house, January 2024

KARNATAKA: NYAY NAHI ANYAY HAI !

KARNATAKA REPORT CARD		
BENEFICIARIES	PROMISES	DELIVERY FAILURE
Women	Anganwadi workers to get up to Rs. 15,000	Delayed payments with no assurance of hike—quite a rollercoaster of financial stability of the poor
Farmers	8 hours daily power for farmers	Congress keeps farmers in the dark with fake promises.
Common People	10 kg rice under Annabhagya Yojana	Rs. 170 per head equivalent to just 5 kg of rice—Congress is only halfway to the goal!
Milk Farmers	Milk subsidy will be increased from Rs. 5 to Rs. 7	Congress increased the price of Nandini Milk by Rs. 3

Re-thinking of failed poll 'guarantees' underway

INDIA TODAY

Congress leaders want Karnataka government to 'rethink' guarantees after poll result

Several Karnataka Congress leaders have urged Chief Minister Siddaramaiah to reassess the government's promises that they had made to voters in the recent election to support the state's stability.

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Fiscal Failure

THE ECONOMIC TIMES | News

Karnataka Budget: Congress regime resorts to borrowing to sustain guarantee schemes

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Corruption

THE HINDU

Here is how Karnataka Chief Minister Siddaramaiah explained allotment of 14 alternative sites by MUDA to his wife Parvathi

Allotment of sites does not attract provisions of SCs and STs (Prohibition of Transfer of Certain Lands) Act, 1956 as the PTCs Act, as claimed by the opposition BJP and JDS leaders, says CM Siddaramaiah

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Skewed Women Safety

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Rising Concern: 7,550 Women Missing in Karnataka in Six Months

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Heavily Burdened KSRTC

KSRTC Faces Rs 295 Crore Loss, Plans 20 Per Cent Fare Hike To Stay Afloat As Shakti Scheme Increases Burden

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Farmer's Apathy

INDIA TODAY

Nearly 1,200 Karnataka farmers died by suicide in 15 months: Government

Belagavi district reported most of these cases with 122, while Haveri and Dharwad recorded 120 and 101 farmer suicide cases, respectively.

TELANGANA: NYAY NAHI ANYAY HAI !

TELANGANA REPORT CARD		
BENEFICIARIES TAKEN FOR A RIDE BY CONGRESS!	PROMISES MADE	DELIVERY FAILURES
Gig and Unorganised Workers	Minimum wages, health insurance to all, a welfare law will be put in place.	Neither the minimum wages nor the health insurance implemented citing lame excuses of lack of data. Telangana Gig and Platform Workers (Rights and Welfare) Bill, 2024, hasn't even reached the Assembly yet.
Common People	Mahalakshmi Scheme (6 LPG cylinders free of cost every year).	Scheme stuck in implementation issues.
Backward classes	Free electricity for up to 200 units for backward classes, new power loom owners & barber salons via Gruhu Jyoti scheme	No Power, Only Powerplay.
Farmers	Minimum Guaranteed Prices will be given for 17 major crops.	Congress backtracks on promise. No MSP on 17 crops.
	Loan waivers up to Rs. 2 Lakh will be waived off in a single take.	Congress created new terms and conditions, post-elections, beneficiaries trapped in bureaucratic hurdles.
Welfare of SC/STs	ST Atrocities (Prevention) Act will be strictly implemented - 3 Special Corporations under the SC Welfare Department will be constituted.	Appeasement politics at its best: Congress changed plans; money allocated for SCs & STs diverted to minority budget.
Youth	Rs. 3,000 per month as an unemployment allowance.	Youth protests, infra projects scrapped, Ads aplenty, yet allowances still absent
Common People	Regular Praja Darbar to resolve consumer grievances at the earliest.	Praja Darbar lasted for only a few days. CM attended it for only one day.

NEW HEADLINES SAY IT ALL



SOUTH FIRST
The heartbeat of the South

Eight months on, Congress's promise to Telangana gig workers hangs fire

The state's draft Gig and Platform Workers (Rights and Welfare) Bill, 2024, promises statable wages and platform contributions for the Right to Gig, Right to the Right to Cancel, the Right to Term, the Right to Order, and the Right to Rate/Wage.

By **Dr. Lakshmi Reddy** | Published Aug 22, 2024 | 10:00 AM | Updated Aug 22, 2024 | 10:00 AM

News - Telangana

Why is Telangana experiencing power cuts? As people complain, power consumption data has the answer

Power consumption patterns appear to be changing in Telangana, with factors like the Gruhu Jyoti scheme adding to the mix.

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INDIA TODAY

Angry Telangana farmers perform mock funeral of Chief Minister Revanth Reddy

Protesters in the state capital performed a mock funeral for the Chief Minister, Revanth Reddy, on the anniversary of the death of the late Chief Minister, N.T. Rama Rao.

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Congress: Appeasement Politics: Telangana Govt Hikes Minority Welfare Budget; Cuts down on SC, ST allocations

The Minister for Minority Welfare, Dr. Jagan Reddy, announced that the government has increased the minority welfare budget by 10% while cutting down on SC and ST allocations.



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Statue of Unity symbolises unity not just in name but also in its construction



more special as Sardar Patel's 150th birth anniversary year is starting from today. For the next 2 years, the country will celebrate Sardar Patel's 150th birth anniversary. This is the country's tribute to his extraordinary contribution to India. The Prime Minister emphasised that this celebration of two years will strengthen our resolve for one India, great India. This occasion will teach us that even the seemingly impossible can be made possible, he added.

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi on 31st October participated in the Rashtriya Ekta Diwas celebrations at the Statue of Unity in Kevadia, Gujarat. The Prime Minister offered a floral tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel on his birth anniversary. Shri Modi also administered the Ekta Diwas pledge and witnessed Ekta Diwas Parade on the occasion of Rastriya Ekta Diwas which is celebrated every year on October 31 to commemorate the birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel.

He said, "Sardar sahab's powerful words...this program near the Statue of Unity...this panoramic view of Ekta Nagar...the wonderful performances held here...this glimpse of mini India...everything is so amazing...it is inspiring." Extending greetings to all the countrymen on National Unity Day, the Prime Minister said that just like 15 August and 26 January, this event on 31 October fills the entire country with new energy.

On the occasion of Diwali Shri Modi conveyed his wishes to all the Indians living in the country and the world. He noted, this time the National Unity Day has brought a wonderful coincidence of celebrating this festival of unity along with the festival of Deepawali. "Deepawali, through the medium of lamps, connects the whole country, illuminates the whole country. And now the festival of Deepawali is also connecting India with the world", he added.

Shri Modi underlined that this year's Ekta Diwas is

Shivaji Maharaj united everyone to drive away the invaders

Shri Modi underscored how Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj united everyone to drive away the invaders. Raigad Fort of Maharashtra still tells that story. Raigad Fort has been the sacred land of the values of social justice, patriotism and nation first, he added. "Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj had united the different ideas of the nation for one purpose in the Raigad Fort. Today here in Ekta Nagar, we are seeing the image of that historic fort of Raigad.... Today, in this background, we have united here for the accomplishment of the resolution of a developed India", he said.

Strengthening unity and integrity

Shri Modi reiterated how India has seen remarkable achievements in strengthening unity and integrity, over the past decade. This commitment is evident in various government initiatives, exemplified by Ekta Nagar and the Statue of Unity. This monument symbolises unity not just in name but also in its construction as it is built with iron and soil gathered from villages nationwide. Ekta Nagar features Ekta Nursery, Vishwa Van with flora from every continent, Children Nutrition Park promoting healthy foods from across India, Arogya Van highlighting Ayurveda from different regions, and Ekta Mall, where handicrafts from around the country are showcased together, the Prime Minister underlined. ■



Digital push to universalise immunisation

Protecting lives is the key mission of India's Universal Immunisation Programme (UIP). Every year, over 2.6 crore new-borns are administered vaccines under UIP against 12 preventable diseases such as measles, diphtheria and polio, which can be life-threatening or can severely affect a child's health and well-being



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The role vaccines play in preventing diseases has been proven since 1796, when the first inoculation against the dreaded smallpox took place. In the last 50 years alone, vaccines have saved over 15 crore lives globally, equivalent to six lives every minute of every year.

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Although the programme began in 1985, it has expanded rapidly in the last 10 years. Intensive campaigns such as Mission Indradhanush have increased vaccine coverage substantially to more than 90%. We still have challenges in achieving 100% vaccine coverage that range from vaccine hesitancy in

certain regions and communities to dropouts due to migration and several other factors contributing to some children remaining partially vaccinated or unvaccinated.

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this, the ministry of health and family welfare has come up with a technical solution to maximise vaccine coverage in the form of Universal Immunisation Programme-WIN (U-WIN). U-WIN is a digital platform that electronically registers and monitors the vaccination status of all pregnant women and children across India.

U-WIN, essentially, is a name-

based registry that facilitates "anywhere access, anytime vaccination". Designed with a people-centric approach, the platform offers multiple features to simplify the vaccination process. Pregnant women can self-register through the U-WIN app or portal, or simply walk into the nearest vaccination centre to register.

Once registered, health care workers can track important vaccinations for pregnant women, record delivery outcomes, register the new-born and initiate their vaccination schedule. This schedule can be tracked by programme managers until the child turns 16.

U-WIN offers significant benefits to parents and guardians, enabling them to access vaccination services anywhere in the country. The platform also provides an appointment booking feature, which is particularly useful for migrant workers.

U-WIN is available in 11 languages, enhancing the platform's accessibility. Another key feature is the digitisation of records. Each time a verified beneficiary receives a vaccine, a real-time digital vaccination record is created. Beneficiaries also

Over the past 10 years, India has relied on indigenously developed health systems to revolutionise health care. The electronic vaccine intelligence network (eVIN), introduced in 2014, has transformed how vaccines are received, stored, and distributed to the last mile

receive a digital acknowledgment and a QR-based certificate, which can be downloaded and stored on mobile devices for on-the-go verification. This is useful, especially for school admissions and travel.

Additionally, the platform sends SMS notifications and reminders for upcoming vaccination doses, ensuring that parents and health care workers adhere to the prescribed minimum interval between doses.

U-WIN serves as an integrator, bringing together parents/guardians, doctors, health care workers, and the broader health care system on a single platform. This allows the effective monitoring of immunisation progress across the country, including the extent of coverage. It also enables beneficiaries to create Ayushman Bharat Health Account (ABHA) and Child ABHA IDs that help share health records with medical professionals and other service providers, with the individual's consent. This improves patient outcomes by allowing medical professionals to access a person's medical history at a glance. U-WIN also aids ANMs and ASHA workers in generating vaccination due lists and supports mobilisation efforts to ensure beneficiaries are vaccinated on time.

Over the past 10 years, India has relied on indigenously developed health systems to revolutionise health care. The electronic vaccine intelligence network (eVIN), introduced in 2014, has transformed how vaccines are received, stored, and distributed to the last mile. During the Covid-19 pandemic, the world witnessed the success of Co-WIN, the technology backbone of India's Covid-19 vaccination programme, which helped administer 220 crore Covid-19 vaccination doses in less than 18 months. Now U-WIN is set to change the landscape of immunisation services in the country by significantly improving vaccination coverage.

As India strides toward its centennial as an independent nation, its commitment to robust vaccination programmes is not just a health initiative — it is a foundational investment for the future. By prioritising the immunisation of its youngest citizens through advanced digital infrastructure and comprehensive public health strategies, India is not only combating preventable diseases but also fostering a healthier and economically resilient population.

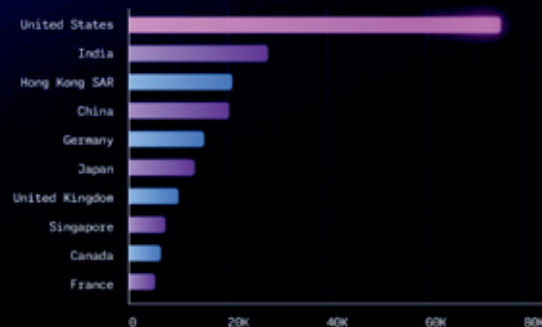
These efforts reflect a firm resolve to build a future where no child is left without life-saving vaccines, irrespective of where they live. ■

(The author is BJP National President and Union Minister, GoI)

India has second-highest number of contributors to AI projects

Top 10 global communities with the most contributors to generative AI projects on GitHub in 2024

CALCULATED BASED ON CONTRIBUTORS BY REGION TO GENERATIVE AI PROJECTS ON GITHUB.



India's developers have gone a leap further: they're increasingly using AI to build AI. India has the second-highest number of contributors to public generative AI projects after USA. This makes India more likely the next great AI multinational leader.

There is no system like digital arrest in the law, this is just a fraud, deceit: PM

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in his 115th Episode of 'Mann Ki Baat' on 27th October awakened the people against the 'digital arrest' scam that defrauded victims of their hard-earned money, and asked them to report such cases to the cyber helpline. Stating that probe agencies were working together with State governments to deal with the issue, he urged schools and colleges to involve students in the campaign to spread awareness about the menace.

During the address Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said fraudsters made phone/video calls to prospective victims, posing as officials from various law enforcement agencies, and at times from the Reserve Bank of India.

He said, "The fraudsters of Digital Arrest phone calls, at times, impersonate as Police, CBI, Narcotics; at times RBI... using such various labels, they converse as fake officers with a lot of confidence. Many listeners of 'Mann Ki Baat' have wished that we must discuss that. Let me tell you, how these fraud gangs work. What is this dangerous game? It is very important for you to understand this and it is equally important for others to understand it as well.

"The First Move... They collect all of your personal information... "You went to Goa last month, didn't you? Your daughter studies in Delhi, right"? They collect so much information about you that you will be surprised. The Second Move - Create an atmosphere of fear... Uniform, government office set-up, legal sections... they will scare you so much on the phone... In the midst of the conversation you will not be able to even think. And then their third move begins, the Third Move - the time pressure. "You have to decide now or else you will be arrested" - these people create so much of psychological pressure on the victim that one gets scared. People from every class and age group fall victim to Digital



Arrest. People have lost lakhs of rupees earned through their hard work, out of sheer fear. Whenever you receive such a call, don't be scared. You should be aware that no investigative agency never inquires like this through a phone call or a video call. I am enumerating the three steps to Digital Security. These three steps are - 'Stop – Think – Take Action. As soon as you get a call,

stop... - don't panic, stay calm, don't take any hasty steps, don't give away your personal information to anyone; if possible take a screenshot and record it for sure."

"After this comes the second step. The first step was 'stop' and the second step is 'think'. No government agency threatens you on the phone like this, neither inquires nor demands money on a video call like this. If you feel scared, then know that something is wrong. The first step, the second step and now I spell out the third step. In the first step I said - 'Stop'... in the second step I said - 'Think', and the third step tells you - 'Take action'.

Dial the national cyber helpline 1930, Report on cybercrime.gov.in, inform family and police, preserve evidence. 'Stop', then 'Think', and then take 'Action', these three steps will become the protector of your digital security.

Friends, I'll reiterate that there is no system like digital arrest in the law, this is just a fraud, deceit, it is a lie, a gang of criminals and those who are doing

this are enemies of society. To deal with the fraud that is going on in the name of digital arrest, all the investigative agencies are working together with the state governments.

For synchronization among these agencies, a National Cyber Co-ordination Centre has been set up. Thousands of such fraudulent video calling IDs have been blocked by the agencies. Lakhs of SIM cards, mobile phones and bank accounts have also been blocked. Agencies are doing their job, but for protection from scams in the name of digital arrest, it is very important that everyone is aware, every citizen is aware. Those who are victims of this kind of cyber fraud should let as many people as possible know about it. You can use #SafeDigitalIndia for awareness.

I would also like to urge schools and colleges to involve students in the campaign against cyber scams. We can fight this challenge only with the

collective efforts in society.”

In a post on X Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah said, “In today’s episode of MannKiBaat, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi awakened the society to the menace of defrauding people by threatening them with ‘Digital Arrest’.

Shri Amit Shah said, “The modus operandi of these fraudsters is to pose as police, CBI, anti-narcotics or RBI officers and threaten unsuspecting citizens over a video call. Modi Ji laid out the measures to be taken by citizens to prevent such frauds, reminding them that no govt agency conducts investigations via phone or video calls. To nip this evil in the bud, Modi Ji invoked the mantra of ‘Ruko, Socho Aur Action Lo’ and appealed to report authorities immediately through the helpline number 1930 or on <https://cybercrime.gov.in>. The Modi govt is committed to building a cybersecure Bharat.” ■

Global TB Report 2024 by WHO acknowledges India's progress in tackling Tuberculosis

PM Modi Lauds India's Progress in the Fight Against Tuberculosis

In a significant acknowledgment of India's efforts to eradicate tuberculosis, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi highlighted the nation's achievements in reducing TB incidence.

India's dedicated journey towards tuberculosis (TB) elimination has been recognized globally, with a noteworthy 17.7% decline in TB incidence from 2015 to 2023, a rate that is over twice the global average decline of 8.3%, as reported by the World Health Organization (WHO) in its Global Tuberculosis Report 2024. This milestone highlights the impact of India's National Tuberculosis Elimination Programme (NTEP), a comprehensive strategy that combines cutting-edge diagnosis, preventive care, patient support, and cross-sector partnerships to meet the ambitious goal of TB elimination by 2025.

Responding to a post by Union Health Minister Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda on 3 November that acknowledges the recognition of India's remarkable progress, by the World Health Organisation, in reducing tuberculosis by 17.7% from 2015 to 2023, the Prime Minister's posted

on X:

"Commendable progress! The decline in TB incidence is an outcome of India's dedicated and innovative efforts. Through a collective spirit, we will keep working towards a TB-free India."

The World Health Organization (WHO) has recognized India's remarkable progress, with a 17.7% decline in TB incidence from 2015 to 2023—a rate more than double the global decline of 8.3%. This acknowledgment reflects India's transformative approach to TB care and control.

Under the visionary leadership of PM Shri @narendramodi ji, our government has expanded and strengthened the National TB Elimination Programme by taking key initiatives such as the Ni-Kshay Poshan Yojana to provide essential nutritional support to TB patients, and introduction of the BPALM regimen, a novel treatment for Multi-Drug Resistant Tuberculosis.

I also acknowledge the tireless efforts of @MoHFW_INDIA 's dedicated healthcare workers, whose unwavering commitment and hard work play a crucial role in this fight against tuberculosis. ■

PM Modi celebrates Diwali with Indian Armed Forces at Kutch, Gujarat

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi celebrated Diwali with the brave personnel from the BSF, Army, Navy, and Air Force at Lakki Nala in the Creek Area of Kutch, Gujarat on 31 October, 2024.

Shri Narendra Modi also went to one of the floating BOPs in the Creek area and shared sweets with the brave security personnel.

The Prime Minister posted on X: "Celebrating Diwali with our brave Jawans in Kutch, Gujarat. Our security personnel stand firm in the inhospitable of places and protect us. We are very proud of them.

Glad to have celebrated Diwali with our brave personnel from the BSF, Army, Navy, and Air Force at Lakki Nala in the Creek Area, Kutch. This area is both challenging and remote. The days are scorching hot and it also gets cold. The Creek area has other environmental challenges as well. Went to one of the floating BOPs in the Creek area and shared sweets with our brave security personnel." ■



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PM Shri Narendra Modi in a group photograph during the 16th BRICS Summit at Kazan in Russia on October 23, 2024



The President of Russian Federation, Mr. Vladimir Putin welcomes PM Shri Narendra Modi at the dinner hosted for BRICS leaders at Kazan in Russia on October 22, 2024



PM Shri Narendra Modi in a bilateral meeting with the President of the People's Republic of China, Mr. Xi Jinping, on the sidelines of the 16th BRICS Summit at Kazan in Russia on October 23, 2024



PM Shri Narendra Modi and the PM of Spain, Mr. Pedro Sanchez jointly inaugurating the TATA Aircraft Complex for manufacturing C-295 aircraft at Vadodra in Gujarat on October 28, 2024



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