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'NARISHAKTI VANDAN ADHINIYAM WILL FURTHER STRENGTHEN OUR DEMOCRACY'





BJP National President Shri JP Nadda welcomes PM Shri Narendra Modi at the Nari Shakti Vandana-Abhinandan Karyakram at BJP HQ on September 22, 2023



BJP National President Shri JP Nadda receiving the greetings before flagging-off the Parivartan Yatra in Jashpur, Chhattisgarh on September 15, 2023



BJP National President Shri JP Nadda inaugurating an exhibition on Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji's Birthday as Seva Diwas at BJP HQ in New Delhi on September 17, 2023



Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah participating in the Hyderabad Liberation Day celebrations in Hyderabad on September 17, 2023



Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah launching the Jan Ashirwad Yatra in Mandla, Madhya Pradesh on September 05, 2023



Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh & MoS Shri Jitendra Singh dedicating 90 infrastructure projects constructed by the Border Roads Organisation on September 12, 2023

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@Narendramodi

The BJP had been trying for three decades for this law to increase women's participation in democracy. This was our commitment, which we have fulfilled.

(22 September, 2023)



@JPNadda

This bill will not merely increase the representation of women in legislature but will inspire all of our women to play an instrumental role in shaping an Atmanirbhar Bharat. I wholeheartedly thank Hon. PM Shri @narendramodi Ji for his constant efforts to empower women.

(21 September, 2023)



@AmitShah

Where there is a will there is a way. A historic milestone was achieved today on the path of equitable governance as the Rajya Sabha has passed the women's reservation bill. By fulfilling a long-pending demand, PM @narendramodi Ji has sent a powerful message of gender equality and inclusive governance across the world. My heartfelt gratitude to Modi Ji and congratulations to every citizen.

(21 September, 2023)



@Rajnathsingh

In another boost to Aatmanirbharta in Defence the Defence Acquisition Council today approved AoN for nine capital acquisition proposals for the Armed Forces worth Rs 45,000 crore. Procurement of Light Armoured Multipurpose Vehicles, Integrated Surveillance & Targeting System and Next Generation Survey Vessels will be made. The MoD is planning to upgrade its indigenisation ambitions. We would now be aiming for a minimum 60-65% indigenous content.

(15 September, 2023)



@Sudha Yadav

Thanks to the Honourable Modi Ji...Rights given to women... On the passing of 'Nari Shakti Vandan Bill 2023' in both houses of the Parliament, the country's illustrious Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji was welcomed and felicitated at BJP headquarters. This bill is a big step for the BJP towards the creation of a new India in Amritkal. Another new chapter has been added to the history of women's empowerment.

(22 September, 2023)




@BLSanthosh

If there is will there is a way. PM Sri @narendramodi has proved it time & again . Be it Jandhan accounts or Toilets or Gati Shakti or abrogation of Art 370 & now Women quota bill . Congratulations.

(21 September, 2023)



Kamal Sandesh Parivar pays its glowing Tribute to







Great thinker,
Visionary and Propounder
of Antyodaya &
Ekatma Manavvad

**Pt. Deendayal
Upadhyaya**

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KAMAL SANDESH PARIVAR
wishes a very happy
NAVARATRI (15 OCTOBER)
to all of its readers



REVOLUTIONARY TRANSFORMATION IN NATIONAL POLITICS

As the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' becomes a reality, a new dawn descends on the nation. The bill, which makes provision for 33% women's reservation in the Lok Sabha, state legislatures, and NCT of Delhi, is set to change the course of Indian politics with a promising future in the Amrit Kaal. The bill for 33% women's reservation had to wait for more than three decades amid opposition from various quarters on one pretext or another. It was the strong political will and determination of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi that led to the bill being passed by an overwhelming majority of 452-2 in the Lok Sabha, while in the Rajya Sabha it was passed unanimously. The national consensus on the bill was reflected in the manner in which it was supported and passed in parliament amid celebrations across the nation. There is no doubt that the 'Naari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' will not only encourage women's participation in the nation-building process, but it will also transform politics, heralding an era of tremendous socio-economic change in the nation. It is a huge step in the direction of realising the dream of Viksit Bharat.

While the passage of the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' is one of the most remarkable achievements of the Indian democracy, the special session in which the bill was passed stands out for scripting history in many more ways. As the special session saw the beginning of the functioning of the new parliament building, the nation is now filled with a sense of unprecedented achievement. The old parliament house building, which has been named 'Samvidhan Sadhan', in the words of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, will continue to inspire the nation. The lofty ideals of parliamentary democracy, its glorious conventions, and its inspiring legacy were on full display when the members reminisced about the old parliament building during the joint sessions convened in the central hall of the old parliament house before proceeding to the new one. The speeches delivered by the members to commemorate the journey of 75 years of parliament, celebrating India's achievements at the G20 summit, and the successful launch of the Chandrayaan-3 Mission will be remembered for a long time to come. The recent achievements of the nation, which have been globally acknowledged, further confirm the rising stature of India in the eyes of the world. The new parliament building not only creates modern facilities with the latest technologies and a futuristic approach, but it also presents the imagination, vision, and grandeur of the national resolve of Viksit Bharat.

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As the Prime Minister said while addressing the parliament on its 75-year journey, "The light of the first dawn of 'Amrit Kaal', is filling a new faith in the nation, new confidence, new enthusiasm, new resolutions, and new strength of the nation", the passage of the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' further reiterates his words, filling the nation with a new sense of confidence and hope. From women empowerment to women-led development, this has been the mantra of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, who has initiated a number of women-centric schemes, the results of which are evident today. While the BJP remained committed to 33% reservation of women in the legislatures, it has always taken the fight for gender justice, women empowerment, and women-led development to the fore, ensuring women participation in politics by reserving 33% of party posts. While other political parties paid only lip service and even opposed the bill, the uncompromising resolve of the BJP and the strong stand of the Prime Minister fulfilled the long-standing national aspiration for one-third reservation to women in the Lok Sabha and State Assemblies. As the 'Narishakti' prepares to take its long-deserved place in the legislatures, it will usher in a revolutionary transformation in national politics, which will be a building block for creating a Viksit Bharat by 2047. ■



WOMEN'S RESERVATION BILL PASSED BY PARLIAMENT

IT IS NOT MERELY A LEGISLATION BUT A TRIBUTE TO COUNTLESS WOMEN WHO HAVE MADE OUR NATION: PM

The Special Session of Parliament 2023 stands as a momentous and highly productive event that immediately followed Bharat's successful hosting of the G20 Summit in New Delhi. This remarkable session marked the inauguration of proceedings within the new Parliament Building and the renaming of the old Parliament House Building as 'Samvidhan Sadhan'. The Session saw the historic passage of the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam', which will reserve one-third of seats for women in the Lok Sabha, State Legislative Assemblies, and the National Capital Territory of Delhi.

The Lok Sabha achieved a productivity of 161.5%, with zero time lost due to interruptions/forced adjournments over the four sittings that lasted for about 31 hours. While the discussion on the Parliamentary Journey of 75 Years in the Lok Sabha was initiated by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the discussion on the same topic in the Rajya Sabha was initiated by its Leader of the House and Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal. Both Houses also conducted a discussion on the Success of Chandrayaan-3 Mission and other space sector achievements.

Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Bharat has embarked on its

transformative Amrit Kaal, guided by the principle of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas'. An outstanding milestone in this journey is the historic introduction of the Constitution (128th Amendment) Bill, 2023, by the Modi Government. This Constitutional Amendment, the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' is a testament to our commitment to ensuring a 33% reservation for women in National and State legislatures.

Both houses of parliament passed women's reservation bill having provision of 33 percent reservation for women in Lok Sabha and state legislative assemblies. The landmark bill was passed by the Lok Sabha on 20 September with an overwhelming 454-2 majority. The Rajya Sabha cleared the landmark bill on 21st September with all the 215 members voting in favour of the proposed legislation.

On the auspicious occasion of Ganesh Utsav, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi also led Members of Parliament into the New Parliament House. Prior to this momentous occasion, a Joint Session convened in the Central Hall of the Old Parliament House, paying homage to the illustrious legacy of the Indian Parliament and reaffirming our resolve to transform Bharat into a developed nation by 2047.



PM ADDRESSES LOK SABHA ON NARISHAKTI VANDAN ADHINIYAM

Narishakti Vandan Adhiniyam will further strengthen our democracy

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi on 19 September, 2023 addressed the Lok Sabha in the new building of the Parliament on Narishakti Vandan Adhiniyam.

Addressing the House, the Prime Minister said that today is the historic first session in the New Parliament Building and conveyed his best wishes on the occasion. He expressed gratitude towards the Speaker for giving him the opportunity to address the House on the Special Session on the very first day of the New Parliament and extended a warm welcome to the Members of the House.

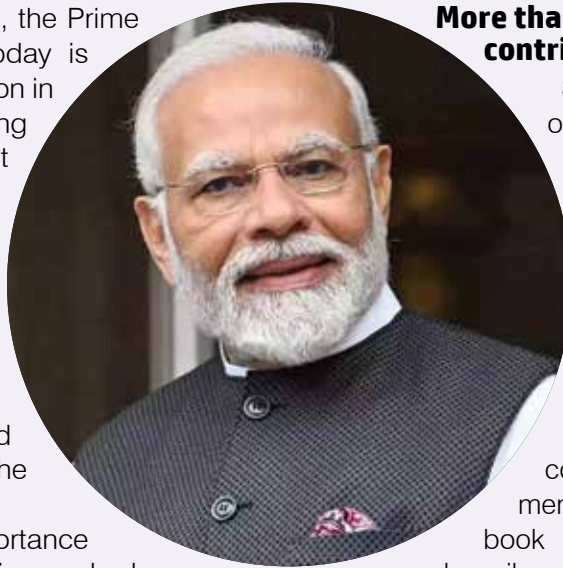
Highlighting the importance of the occasion, Shri Modi remarked that it is the dawn of the Amrit Kaal as India is moving forward with a resolve for the future by heading into the new Parliament edifice.

Highlighting the recent achievements, the Prime Minister mentioned the successes of Chandrayaan 3 in the science sector, and the organization of G20 and its impact on the global level. He remarked that a unique opportunity presents itself to India, and in this light, the New Parliament building of the nation is becoming functional today.

The Prime Minister said, "It is the time to accomplish the resolutions and begin the new journey with renewed enthusiasm and energy", he added.

Sacred Sengol

Shri Modi mentioned the presence of sacred Sengol as a link between the old and new and as a witness to the first light of freedom. He said that this sacred Sengol was touched by the first Prime Minister of India, Pandit Jawahar Lal Nehru. Therefore, Sengol links us with a very important part of our past, Shri Modi said.



More than 30 thousand Sharmiks contributed

Shri Modis said that the grandeur of the New Building anoints the Amrit Kaal and remembered the hard work of the Shramiks and engineers who kept on working on the building even during the pandemic. The Prime Minister led the applause for these sharmiks and engineers by the entire House. He informed that more than 30 thousand Sharmiks contributed to the building and mentioned the presence of a digital book carrying the full details of the shramiks.

Talking about the impact of emotions and feelings on our actions, the Prime Minister said that our feelings today will guide us in our conduct. He said, "Bhawan (building) has changed, Bhav (feelings) should also change".

House is for the development of the nation

"The Parliament is the supreme position to serve the country", the Prime Minister remarked as he underlined that the House is not meant for the benefit of any political party, but only for the development of the nation. As Members, the Prime Minister said that we must uphold the spirit of the Constitution with our words, thoughts and actions. Shri Modi assured the Speaker that every Member will live up to the expectations and aspirations of the House and work under his guidance. The Prime Minister emphasized that the behavior of the Members in the House will be one of the factors that determine if they will be part of the ruling dispensation or the opposition as all proceedings are taking place in the eyes of the public.

Stressing the need for collective dialogue and

Smt. Droupadi Murmu, Hon'ble President of India

We ensured a minimum of 33 percent reservation for women in local bodies' elections. What is more, in a pleasant co-incidence, a proposal to provide similar reservation for women in the state assemblies and national Parliament, is taking a shape now. It will be the most transformative revolution, in our times for gender justice.



action for the general welfare, the Prime Minister emphasized the unity of goals. "All of us should follow the Lakshaman Rekha of parliamentary traditions", Shri Modi said.

Contribution of Indian women

Underlining the role of politics in the effective transformation of society, the Prime Minister focussed on the contribution of Indian women in sectors ranging from space to sports. He recalled how the world embraced the concept of women-led development during the G20. He said that the government's steps in this direction have been meaningful. He said that among 50 crore beneficiaries of the Jan Dhan Scheme, most of the accounts belonged to women. He also mentioned benefits for women in schemes like Mudra Yojana, PM Aavas Yojana,

Open the doors of opportunities for women

Noting that there comes a time in the developmental journey of any nation when history is created, the Prime Minister said that today's occasion is India's moment in its development journey when history is being written. Throwing light on the discussions and deliberations in the Parliament on the reservation of women, the Prime Minister informed that the first bill on this issue was first introduced in 1996. He said that it was introduced in the House several times during Atal Ji's tenure but it could not garner the required support in numbers to turn the dreams of women into reality. "I believe God has chosen me to get this work done", Shri Modi interjected, as he informed that the Union Cabinet had decided to give a go-ahead to the Reservation of Women in Parliament Bill. "This historic day of 19th September 2023 is going to be immortal in the history of India", the Prime Minister underlined.

@Jagat Prakash Nadda There could not have been a better start for the new Parliament building!



Today, as a nation, we have ushered ourselves into a new era of women empowerment. With the passage of 'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam' by both houses of Parliament, we have moved towards

providing a long-pending right to our women. Our Nari Shakti has already proven its mettle across all walks of life, and it is now imperative that they also participate overwhelmingly in law-making processes and contribute to our nation's growth in Amrit Kaal.

This bill will not merely increase the representation of women in legislature but will inspire all of our women to play an instrumental role in shaping an Atmanirbhar Bharat. I wholeheartedly thank Hon. PM Shri @narendramodi Ji for his constant efforts to empower women.

Observing the growing contributions of women in every sector, the Prime Minister emphasized the need for the inclusion of more women in policy-making so that their contributions to the nation increase further. He urged the members to open the doors of opportunities for women on this historic day.

Women in Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabhas

"Taking forward the resolution of women-led development, our government is today presenting a major Constitutional Amendment Bill. The purpose of this Bill is to expand the participation of women in Lok Sabha and Vidhan Sabhas. Narishakti Vandan Adhiniyam will further strengthen our democracy. I congratulate the mothers, sisters and daughters of the nation for Narishakti Vandan Adhiniyam. I assure all the mothers, sisters and daughters of the nation that we are committed to making this bill into law. I request as well as urge all the colleagues in this House as a pious auspicious beginning is being made, if this Bill becomes Law with consensus then its power will magnify manifold. Therefore, I request both the Houses to pass the bill with full consensus", the Prime Minister concluded. ■

PM had taken very effective steps to improve the condition of Indian women: JP Nadda

BJP National President and Rajya Sabha Member Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda participating in the debate on 'Narishakti Vandan Adhiniyam' on 21st September in Rajya Sabha said the PM had taken very effective steps to improve the condition of Indian women and to strengthen their position and direction in the society. We are publishing the synopsis of the debate for our esteemed readers:

We all know that the new Parliament building became functional on the day of Ganesh Utsav and yesterday this 'Nari Shakti Vandan Bill' was passed without any hindrance in the Lok Sabha. I not only hoped but was fully confident that this Bill will be passed unanimously in Rajya Sabha as well without any hindrance.



we look at it, the 21st century is the century of women. Be it knowledge, science, military education, military, security or the economic world, we are happy that today the women of our India have brought themselves into leadership roles.

- I would like to thank our Prime Minister, who has tried to bring the long pending issue of women's reservation, to a decisive turn by bringing this Bill. He has taken very effective steps to improve the condition of Indian women and to strengthen their position and direction in the society.
- Many people may have their own view regarding the name of the Bill, but the wording of 'Nari Shakti Vandan Bill' itself clarifies the vision of our Government, our Prime Minister and our view towards the women in the society.
- I want to make it clear here that women have played a huge role in Indian culture. It is not ours or yours, the way our ancestors, our culture placed women in the society, shows that the place of women has always been bright in our culture. That's why they are 'backward', they are 'helpless', they are 'powerless women' - this terminology is not ours.
- That is why when the Prime Minister says - 'women empowerment', he always talks about 'women-led development'.
- Women have always had a place in economic autonomy in Indian culture. There has been economic autonomy in her social life. From spirituality to teaching, women have made special contributions.
- When we went through the period of slavery, the medieval period, at that time from the purdah system, the position of upliftment of women, got a jolt.
- Even during the Vedic period, there was no dearth of women-scholars.
- I would also like to say that even in today's era, if we look at it, the 21st century is the century of women. Be it knowledge, science, military education, military, security or the economic world, we are happy that today the women of our India have brought themselves into leadership roles.
- Today, in the software world we have 21 percent women who are in leadership roles.
- Therefore, when we are empowering them by bringing 'Nari Shakti Vandan Bill', we are not doing a favor to them, rather it is their respect, it is their empowerment, it is an act of increasing their participation.
- I also want to say here that we should change some perceptions. I am not saying this on my own basis, but on the basis of research. Research has shown that women are more sensitive, and they have a stronger ability to take decisions on sensitive issues. Research also shows that women are more accessible than men as public representatives. Where there are women representatives, the level of corruption is lower.
- On the issue of implementation this Bill from now on I would like to clarify that there are some constitutional arrangements and some constitutional way of working. The decision regarding which seats are to be reserved for women will be taken by a quasi-judicial body and not by the Government. It has to be nominated.
- The Bharatiya Janata Party has no intention of taking political advantage out of the Bill, rather our aim is to truly empower the women.
- As the President of Bharatiya Janata Party, I also want to make it clear here that Bharatiya Janata Party has always been at the forefront in giving place to women. We are the first party and the only party which, constitutionally, gives 33 percent reservation to women in every committee.
- Under the leadership of Shri Modi, Madam Sushma

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PM Modi has truly honoured the women power: Amit Shah

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah participated in the discussion on Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam in the Lok Sabha on 20 September. Participating in the discussion, Shri Amit Shah said that 19 September, 2023 will be written in golden letters in the history of the Indian Parliament because on this day the new Parliament started functioning on the occasion of Ganesh Chaturthi and the long-pending bill providing the right to reservation for women was introduced in the House. He said that he would like to thank Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi from core of his heart that he has truly honoured the women power, which constitutes 50 percent of 140 crores population. Shri Shah said that with the passing of this constitutional amendment bill, one-third seats in the Lok Sabha and state assemblies will be reserved for women of the country. With the passing of this bill, the long continuing fight of women for their rights will end. He said that Prime Minister Shri Modi presented the concept of “Women-led Development” in front of the world in the recently held G-20 conference and with the passing of this bill, a new era will begin, because now the women of this country will not only become participants in policies but will also contribute in determining the policies

Shri Amit Shah said that women empowerment may be a political agenda for some parties, but for the Government under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, women empowerment is an issue of recognition. He said that in 2014, after 30 years the people of the country decided to form a government with full majority under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. Under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, women’s safety, respect and participation have been the breath and soul of the government. Shri Shah said that when Shri Narendra Modi became the Prime Minister of the country in 2014, there were 70 crore people in the country who did not have bank accounts in their homes. Shri Narendra Modi started Jan-DhanYojana and launched a campaign to open bank accounts, as a result of which 52 crore bank accounts were opened, out of which 70 percent bank accounts were opened in the name of women. He said that those people whose roots are connected to India will not

make the mistake of calling women weak.



Women empowerment

Shri Amit Shah said that today, women empowerment has taken place in the country and the money from all the schemes is going directly into the bank accounts of women. He said that the opposition party ruled this country for more than 5 decades, there were 11 crore families in the country who did not have toilets. Slogans were raised to eliminate poverty, but no arrangements were made for the poor. He said that when there is no toilet in the house, the young daughter, sister and mother suffer the most. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi provided 11.72 Crores toilets within the first 5 years, due to which mothers, sisters and daughters were empowered. He said that 10 crore families of the country were forced to live in smoke, but Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has empowered women by providing free LPG connections to 10 crore houses. The government led by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi provided houses to more than

3 crore women in their names. Shri Shah said that there were 12 crore houses in the country where there was no drinking water, Shri Narendra Modi provided tap water to them. He added that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi provided 5 kg free food grains per person per month to 80 crore people of the country. Prime Minister Modi opened 3 crore 18 lakh SukanyaSamriddhi accounts, provided benefits to 3 crore women under MatruVandanYojana and provided approximately 26 weeks of maternity leave. Shri Shah said that today the number of women pilots worldwide is 5 percent whereas in India it is 15 percent, this is called empowerment.

Women's participation in decision making

The Union Home Minister said that women are more empowered than men and this bill will now ensure women's participation in decision and policy making. He said that the government led by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has brought this bill to correct the errors in the social system, to increase the participation of women and to respect them. He said that today, we have an opportunity when this House can give a message to the world that the entire House is unanimous and united in fulfilling Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of "Women-led Development".

Shri Amit Shah said that four attempts have been made by previous governments to bring Women's Reservation Bill. He said that the Women's Reservation Bill was first brought by the government led by Shri H.D. Deve Gowda in 1996, after which it was given to a committee headed by Seema Mukherjee. The committee also gave its report but that bill never reached this House. He said that after this, the Government led by Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee brought this bill in 1998, but the opposition did not allow it to be introduced in the House. Shri Shah said that the government led by Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee once again brought the bill but again discussion could not take place. He said the government led by Dr. Manmohan Singh again brought the amendment bill in the Rajya Sabha, where after being passed, this bill could not come in the Lok Sabha.

One-third of women MPs will sit in this House

Union Home Minister requested all the members

to come together to unanimously work to amend the Constitution and provide reservation to the women power through this new beginning. He said as per the current provision, the Modi government has given 33 percent reservation to women in all three categories of members going to be elected to Parliament – General (which includes OBC), Scheduled Caste and Scheduled Tribe. He said that provision for women's reservation has been made through Article 330 (A) and Article 332 (A) under this constitutional amendment. Along with this, one-third seats have been reserved for women by giving vertical reservation in all three categories. Shri Shah said that the Delimitation Commission is a legal provision of an important body that determines the election process of our country and it is done by appointment but there are quasi judicial proceedings. He said that it is headed by a retired judge of the Supreme Court and it also has a representative of the Election Commission. Shri Shah said that the one-third seats to be reserved will be selected by the Delimitation Commission. The commission goes to every state and gives open hearings and decides the policy in a transparent manner. He said that the only objective behind bringing Delimitation Commission is to bring transparency. He added that there will be no delay in the formation of this commission, after the elections both census and delimitation will be done and soon the day will come when one-third of the women MPs will sit in this House and decide the future of the country.

Welfare of the backward class wholeheartedly

Shri Amit Shah said that the Prime Minister of the country, Shri Narendra Modi has done the work of welfare of the backward class wholeheartedly. He said that in his first speech in 2014, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi had said that his government is the government of Dalits, Backward Classes, Tribals and women. Today, after providing houses, toilets, electricity, water, medicines, gas cylinders and food grains to 80 crore poor people of the country, Narendra Modi government has brought 33 percent reservation for women. He said that the opposition parties never made an OBC Prime Minister. Union Home Minister requested everyone to rise above party politics and support this bill. ■

It is a forward moving step towards women empowerment: Arjun Ram Meghwal

Brief highlights of the speech by Union Minister Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal while moving the motion in the Lok Sabha on 20 September.

Union Ministry of Law and Justice, Minister of State in the Ministry Of Parliamentary Affairs And Minister Of State in the Ministry Of Culture Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal moving the motion for consideration of the women reservation Bill said, "It is a Constitution Amendment Bill and it is a forward moving step towards women empowerment. It is also an important step towards making India a developed nation in the Amrit Kaal. Babasaheb Bhim Rao Ambedkar had said that though political equality would be achieved on January 26, 1950, the Governments would have to abolish the inequalities existing on social and economic fronts. To remove this social and economic inequality, our government has formulated many schemes since the year 2014, including several schemes aimed at women's empowerment. Today, this Bill will not only enhance the prestige of women but will also provide them proper representation."

" Through this Bill, we are inserting 239AA in Article 239 of the Constitution, which will ensure 33 per cent reservation for women in the Legislative Assembly of the National Capital Territory of Delhi. We are adding Clause



3, under which we are inserting 33A in Article 330 of the Constitution, thereby there shall be a 33 per cent reservation for women in the Lok Sabha. This is a landmark move. A new Article 33A is being inserted after Article 332 of the Constitution, through which we are going to make a provision for 33 per cent seats for women in State Legislative Assemblies. This reservation will remain in force for 15 years. After 15 years, Parliament will have the power to extend this period. If we look into history, this Bill was introduced for discussion in the Rajya Sabha on 9th March 2010. It was discussed for two days and during the discussion, the House witnessed strong opposition to this Bill."

He added that the BJP had supported the Bill wholeheartedly. After being passed in the Rajya Sabha, the Bill was referred to the Lok Sabha. He said, the Bill was never taken up for discussion in the Lok Sabha and it lapsed with the dissolution of the Lok Sabha on 18th May 2014. Highlighting the importance of the bill he said, in fact, it is a very important Bill. A discussion should be initiated on this Bill and efforts should be made to pass it unanimously. ■

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE SPECIAL SESSION

Discussion on Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam

- Union Law Minister Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal had tabled the women's reservation bill (Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam) for passage in the Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha.
- 60 Members participated in the debate that took place in the Lok Sabha.
- The Bill was passed by the Lok Sabha on 20 September, 2023 with 454 MPs voting in its favour while two MPs voted against it.
- 70 Members participated in the debate that took place in the Rajya Sabha over 12 hours.
- The Rajya Sabha unanimously passed the landmark bill on 21st September, 2023 with 214

MPs voting in favour of it, with none abstaining.

- Following the passage of the Bill, women MPs thanked and felicitated PM Shri Narendra Modi for his vision and leadership in ensuring the enactment of the historic legislation.

Discussion On Chandrayaan-3 And Space Sector

- Both the Houses carried out comprehensive discussions on the Indian Space Sector and the success of Chandrayaan-3.
- The Discussion in the Rajya Sabha took place on 20th September 2023 with 35 MPs taking part in it, while the Discussion in the Lok Sabha took place on 21st September with the participation of 87 MPs.

BJP Mahila Morcha Welcomes the Decision

Welcoming the decision, BJP Mahila Morcha National President Smt. Vanathi Srinivasan said today, September 19, 2023, will be entered in the annals of India's 75-year history in golden letters, as the day when half of the nation's population will get adequate representation in the highest law-making body of the country.

She said the introduction of the 128th Constitution Amendment Bill, 2023, also known as the Women's Reservation Bill, to provide a 33 percent quota for women's representation in the Parliament of India is a significant step towards 'Nari Sakthi' which is also 'Rashtra Sakthi.' Women's Power is the Nation's Power, and both women and the nation are now being enhanced to take India to even greater heights in Amrit Kaal till 2047.

Smt. Vanathi Srinivasan said, "I as the National



President of BJP Mahila Morcha and as a legislator from Tamil Nadu, thank Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji, his Council of Ministers, and the BJP for this historic development.

Prime Minister Modi Ji's Council of Ministers too had created history in 2021 with 11 women getting to be ministers with Cabinet Rank or Ministers of State. Once this Women's Reservation Bill is passed by the Parliament of India, we can say this achievement has turned a page in history to provide genuine representation for women in the country's legislative bodies.

BJP Mahila Morcha, in general, and I, in particular, wholeheartedly welcome the Women's Reservation Bill of the Shri Narendra Modi government and congratulate all those responsible for this achievement". ■

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Swaraj ji became the first woman Foreign Minister, Nirmala Sitharaman ji became the first woman Finance Minister.

- There was a lot of criticism on this too, but today I am happy to tell you that we have moved ahead by 19 points in the level of sex ratio at birth. The sex ratio of women has increased. Today 12 crore sisters have been given 'ijjat ghar'. Prime Minister has done the work of giving them respect.
- You will be happy to know that in 'Pradhanmantri Awas Yojana', 69 percent ownership is with women, jointly or individually. There are 9.58 crore sisters who have been given LPG gas connections. Today through 'Jal Jeevan Mission' ten crore houses have been provided water connections coverage.
- Today, triple talaq has ended and if anyone has given Muslim women the right to live with dignity, then Prime Minister Modi has given it.
- Through all these women empowerment programs, work has been done to take the country forward. Today, a new link is being added in it. I want to say that everyone should come together, in supporting and passing of this Bill. With these words, I support it and seek everyone's support. ■



Women MPs meet the Prime Minister to express their happiness

The Prime Minister posted on X: "Had the honor of meeting our dynamic women MPs who are absolutely thrilled at the passage of the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhinyam. It is gladdening to see the torchbearers of change come together to celebrate the very legislation they have championed.

With the passage of the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhinyam, India stands at the cusp of a brighter, more inclusive future with our Nari Shakti being at the core of this transformation." ■

Women MPs welcome the Decision

Nirmala Sitharaman, Minister of Finance and Corporate Affairs

This Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam has actually been very thoughtfully crafted considering that we are at a very critical stage of our development process. It is important that we build consensus and also show that we are committed to the economic and social empowerment of women.

Smriti Z Irani, Union Minister for Women & Child Development

'Nari Shakti Vandan Act' is a symbol of the Modi government's policy, intention, and devotion for the empowerment of Matrishakti. Due to the efforts of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modiji, the respect of the country has been ensured at the international level.

Renuka Singh, Union MoS for Tribal Affairs

Getting approval from both houses on the issue of women's reservation pending for decades is an important step towards women's empowerment. The unanimous passing of the 'Nari-Shakti Vandan Act' with the strong determination of Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will make meaningful the cooperation of Matrishakti in building a developed India. On this historic moment, I heartily thank the Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and congratulate all the mothers and sisters.

Meenakashi Lekhi, Union Minister of State for External Affairs & Culture

Congratulated and thanked Hon'ble PM @narendramodi ji on the historic passage of the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam - Women's Reservation Bill with other women MPs at the New Parliament Building. What PM Modi has done to empower women will go down in the annals of history. Under his leadership women empowerment has become a quintessential part of New India wherein women are now getting the dignity, respect and support that they rightfully deserve. Be it the Triple Talaq, proper toilets, freedom from smoke-filled kitchens, tap water connections to equal opportunities for being inducted into the armed forces, today, New India is progressing forward with women-led development and now women-led governance.

Annapurna Devi, Union Minister of State for Education

For half of the country's population, the passing of the "Nari Shakti Vandan Act" by both the Houses of Parliament is a long-awaited celebration. Congratulations to the Matrishakti of the country! Thank you Respected Prime Minister Shri @narendramodi ji.

Saroj Pandey, BJP National Vice President & MP Rajya Sabha

Through this bill, Modi ji has also made it clear that mother power is the strength of the entire nation, without which the idea of new construction of India is meaningless. Through this bill, Modi ji has also made it clear that Matrishakti is the strength of the entire nation, without which the idea of a new India is meaningless. Vandan Modi Ji! Abhinandan Modi ji!!

Rama Devi, MP Lok Sabha

All the women MPs heartily congratulated prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji. This Act, which has been pending for decades, is the result of the strong will of the Honourable Prime Minister for women empowerment.

Sonal Mansingh, MP Rajya Sabha

In 2021, I raised the crucial issue of #women's rights in #Parliament, emphasizing that women make up half of our population. Sadly, it was initially overlooked. Today, I'm thrilled to see PM @narendramodi taking action on this matter, and I express my heartfelt gratitude.

PT Usha, MP Rajya Sabha

Immensely honoured and proud to have witnessed the passing of the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam 2023! A historic and iconic moment for the nation and a brilliant decision for women under the able leadership of honourable Prime Minister Shri@narendramodi ji.

Poonamben Maadam, Lok Sabha MP

After the Lok Sabha, the 'Nari Shakti Vandan Act' was also passed unanimously in the Rajya Sabha. Hearty congratulations and best wishes to all the countrymen and especially to all the mothers, sisters, and daughters. Once again, it was proved that 'If there is Modi, then it is possible'. ■

'Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam symbolizes the renewed democratic commitment of emerging India'

Addressing the Nari Shakti Vandan-Abhinandan Karyakram at BJP National Headquarters on 22 September 2023, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi hailed the unanimous passage of the women reservation bill, titled "Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam," as a historic moment and congratulated fellow citizens. He said, "A special moment for the nation, a special day for BJP Karyakartas. Women's confidence soars, as mothers, sisters, and daughters across the country celebrate today."

PM Shri Modi emphasized that the Nari Shakti Vandan Act goes beyond an ordinary law; it symbolizes the renewed democratic commitment of emerging India. This significant stride, he remarked, aligns with our collective efforts during the Amrit Kaal to advance a prosperous India. He added that this is a concrete testament to his commitment to usher in a new era of women-led development, aiming to enhance women's living standards and overall quality of life.

In a strong response to the opposition, Prime Minister Shri Modi stated, "The BJP tirelessly pursued this law for women's active participation in democracy over three decades. It was a solemn commitment we made, and we've now fulfilled it. Despite numerous long-standing obstacles along the way, including decades-old challenges, our unwavering dedication and transparent efforts have yielded results. It's a remarkable achievement that this law garnered such broad support in the House."

Various initiatives to empower women

Highlighting various initiatives undertaken by his government to empower women, PM Shri Modi expressed, "Our government has continually introduced schemes and launched programs to enhance the lives of our sisters, granting them respect, convenience, security, and prosperity, to ensure that pregnant women receive nutritious food, we initiated the Matru Vandana Yojana, depositing funds directly into women's bank accounts."

He continued by stating, "In order to support our



daughters' education, we have increased the interest rate in the Sukanya Samridhi Yojana. We provided Ujjwala gas connections to eliminate the hardship of cooking. Also, to alleviate the burden of fetching water, we initiated a scheme to supply piped water to every household."

"To ensure that our daughters do not have to live in darkness, we gave free electricity connection through Saubhagya Yojana. We also provided them free treatment up to Rs 5 lakh through Ayushman Bharat. To ensure that daughters have rights over the property of the house, we have given PM Awas Yojana homes in their names. This year, from the Red Fort, I have also announced the plan to create 2 crore Lakhpati Didis in the country and to provide drones to the women of self-help groups," he added.

PM Shri Modi acknowledged, "Efforts for women's reservation spanned decades, but who made it a reality? Not Modi, but you, the crores of people who formed a stable government with an absolute majority."

Majority government to make significant decisions

Talking on the importance of the stable government, PM Shri Modi asserted, "The enactment of the Nari Shakti Vandan Act in both Houses reflects the capacity of a stable, majority government to make significant decisions and achieve big milestones. When a government with full majority came to power

in the country, such a big decision was taken."

He continued, "We prioritized decisions in the best interest of women at every level, preventing political interests from obstructing women's reservation. In the



Highlights

- The passage of the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam in the Parliament marks a significant milestone towards promoting women-led development.
- Made every attempt to unshackle women with schemes for their security and respect.
- BJP was making efforts for the last three decades to ensure women's participation in democracy through this law.
- This was our commitment and today, we have fulfilled it.
- Women's reservation bill is not an ordinary law, it is announcement of new India's new democratic commitment.

past, this bill often encountered uproar whenever it was introduced in Parliament."

Samras Gram Panchayat in Gujarat

Shri Modi recounted instances where women's leadership and their capabilities yielded tangible outcomes. He cited the example of the Samras Gram Panchayat in Gujarat, where women leaders drove positive change within the village. "You can witness this inclination for positive transformation and a vision for resource optimization among women everywhere," he remarked. Additionally, he mentioned an event in Shahdol, Madhya Pradesh,

PM'S REMARKS ON NARI SHAKTI VANDAN ADHINIYAM IN RAJYA SABHA

The Prime Minister speaking on 21 September after the passing of the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam bill in Rajya Sabha, he said "There has been extensive discussion on this extremely important bill for the past two days. Approximately 132 Hon'ble members from both Houses came together and engaged in a very meaningful discussion. Each and every word of this discussion will be beneficial to all of us on our journey ahead, and that is why every aspect of this matter holds its own significance and value. In the beginning of their remarks, members had already stated that they support this bill, and for that, I extend my heartfelt congratulations and gratitude to all Hon'ble members. The spirit that has emerged will instil a new sense of confidence among the people of our country, and all Hon'ble members and all political parties have played a very significant role in this regard. Women empowerment is not only achieved by the passing of this bill; it goes beyond that."

He added, the positive approach of all the political parties of the country towards this bill is going to give a new energy to the women power of our country. It will come forward with leadership and contribute to nation-building with a new belief. It, in itself, will be a guarantee for our bright future.

Further he said, "I do not want to take a lot of time of the house. I only express my gratitude for the sentiments you have expressed. And when it comes to voting, I earnestly request that this is an Upper House, and hence, efforts have been made for a good discussion, and, therefore, we give the country a new confidence by voting on this bill unanimously. With this expectation, I once again thank everyone from the bottom of my heart."

where he met tribal women who became lakhpati didis.

In the end, PM Shri Modi stated, "The inauguration of a new and modern Parliament building, along with increased representation of half the population within it, will pave the way for fresh arrangements. I have faith that the women power of our nation will also establish novel and constructive parliamentary traditions." ■



PM ADDRESSES MPS IN CENTRAL HALL OF PARLIAMENT DURING SPECIAL SESSION

‘As SAMVIDHAN SADAN, the old building will continue to guide us’

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi addressed the Members of Parliament in the Central Hall during the Special Session 18 September, 2023.

In Lok Sabha, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji stated, “All of us are saying goodbye to this historic building. Before independence, this House was the place for the Imperial Legislative Council. After independence, this gained the identity of Parliament House. The decision to construct this building was indeed taken by foreign rulers but we can never forget and can proudly say that the toil, the hard work and the money that went into the construction was that of my countrymen.” He added that it is time to remember inspirational moments associated with this Parliament building before we move to new premises. This Parliament saw a party with just four Members of Parliament (MPs) sitting in power, while the party with more than 100 MPs sat in opposition.

As the functioning of Parliament shifts to the new building, he mentioned the oldest member of Lok Sabha was 93 years old Samajwadi Party MP Shri Shafiqur Rahman Barq and the youngest was 25 years old Smt Chandrani Murmu of Biju Janata Dal (BJD) MP. He also remembered Communist Party of India (CPI) leader Shri Indrajit Gupta, who served as a Lok Sabha MP for almost 36 years from 1960 to 2001, except for a short period from 1977 to 1980. Shri Barq, a sitting MP of Lok Sabha, has been elected an MP nine times. He first became a Lok Sabha member in 1996 from

Moradabad in Uttar Pradesh. He had won four times as an MLA before that.

The PM paid homage to the security personnel who laid down their lives while fighting terrorists during the Parliament attack on this day in 2001. There have been sweet and sour experiences, there has also been an atmosphere of bickering, and sometimes an atmosphere of conflict and sometimes, there has been an atmosphere of joy as well. All these memories are our shared memories, our shared heritage and hence, its pride is also our shared,” he said in Lok Sabha.

People’s trust in the Parliament remains intact

After Independence, many critics thought about whether India would remain united or not but we proved all of them wrong. People’s trust in the Parliament remains intact. Biggest achievement of 75 years of this House is the ever-growing trust of the people in Parliament. He stated that India is now the Vishwa Mitra. India is looking for its Vishwa Mitra and the world is experiencing India as Vishwa-Mitra. This is due to the Indian cultural inheritance from Ved to Vivekanand. This is an indication of Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikaas.

Parliament a pilgrimage of India’s democracy

He mentioned that our ‘Naad Brahm’ parampara,

which means siddhi of a place by chanting the same mantra, has made this Parliament a pilgrimage of India's democracy.

Over 7,500 members have so far contributed to both Houses; about 600 women MPs have enhanced the dignity of both Houses. He said that while their representation was low earlier, it continuously increased over the years, and so did the contribution by the women MPs. He highlighted achievements of the parliament including the Removal of Article 370, One Nation One Tax, GST, One Rank One Pension, 10% reservation for EWS. He added that he is confident that as we enter new Parliament building, we will go there with new hope and confidence.

About Former Prime Ministers, Presidents, Speakers and Staff

From Shri Nehru to Shri Shastri to Shri Vajpayee, Parliament has seen several leaders presenting their vision of India. He said that a fitting tribute was given to the three serving PMs who lost their lives while in office: Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri and Smt. Indira Gandhi. The echo of Pandit Shri Jawaharlal Nehru's 'at the stroke of midnight' in this Parliament will continue to inspire us. And this is that very Parliament where Shri Atal Ji said 'sarkaren ayyengi, jayengi; partiyan banegi, bigedgi; magar ye desh rahna chahiye'. This Parliament will remember Smt. Indira Gandhi's decision on Pakistan's partition and formation of Bangladesh. He praised Shri Jawaharlal Nehru, as well as Smt. Indira Gandhi for making tough decisions during their tenure as Prime Minister at this building. He added that by just one vote, Shri Atal Vajpayee's Government fell in this building. This House also witnessed 'cash for votes' scam during the tenure of Prime Minister Shri Manmohan Singh.

He also hailed the contributions of all former Presidents, and Speakers who have led to the growth and development of India. He further hailed the contributions of the staff of the Parliament, some of whose generations have served the parliament. He mentioned that their contribution has made India's parliamentary governance very efficient.

The Success of G20

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji stated, "Today,

you have unanimously appreciated the success of G20. I express my gratitude to you. G20's success is that of 140 crore citizens of the country. It is India's success, not that of an individual or a party. It is a matter for all of us to celebrate." PM stated that doubting India is a common norm and many believed that no declaration will be passed. However, it was India's power that ensured consensus on the G20 Declaration, which helmed talks with multiple countries on the Ukraine crisis that has impacted the world. India will remember that under its presidency, the African Union officially joined the G20.

The Success of Chandrayan Mission

The PM said it is the result of united efforts during the 75 years of the history of Parliament that India's achievements are being discussed everywhere. "The success of Chandrayaan-3 has not only made India but the world proud. This has highlighted a new form of India's strength which is connected to technology, science, the potential of our scientists and the strength of the 140 crore people in the country. Today, I again want to congratulate our scientists," he said on the Chandrayaan mission.

Creation of New States

Celebrations everywhere when Jharkhand, Chhattisgarh and Uttarakhand were carved out; but creation of Telangana left bitter memories.

Work during COVID

Many MPs attended the session despite health issues. During the COVID-19 crisis, our MPs attended the proceedings of both of the Houses and performed their duties. With the feeling that India's growth journey should not be impacted, all the members considered this House as an important part of their duty.

Entering the Parliament

He mentioned that owing to the strength of Indian democracy that a person selling tea on a railway platform entered the Parliament. This is the testimony of Indian democracy. He also mentioned that his reverence towards Parliament was strong that he entered the Temple of Democracy after bowing down to it. He also saluted all the heroes who have sacrificed their lives protecting this temple of democracy. ■

PM ADDRESSES RAJYA SABHA IN THE NEW PARLIAMENT BUILDING

'New Parliament is not just a new building but is symbol of a new beginning'

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi addressed the Rajya Sabha in the New Parliament Building on 19 September.

Addressing the House, the Prime Minister remarked that on the occasion is historic and memorable. He recalled his address in the Lok Sabha and expressed gratitude towards the Chair for the opportunity to address the Rajya Sabha on this special occasion.

Noting that the Rajya Sabha is considered the Upper House of the Parliament, the Prime Minister underlined the intentions of the makers of the Constitution that the House become a center for serious intellectual discussions rising above the ebb and flow of political discourse while giving a direction to the nation. "It is the natural expectation of the country", the Prime Minister said as he noted that such contributions to the nation increase the value of the proceedings.

The Prime Minister quoted Sarvapalli Radhakrishnan that the Parliament is not just a legislative body but a deliberative body. Shri Modi said that it is always a pleasure to hear quality debates in Rajya Sabha. New Parliament, he said, is not just a new building but is also a symbol of a new beginning. At the dawn of Amrit Kaal, this new building will infuse a new energy in 140 crore Indians, he said.

Underlining Rajya Sabha's role as House of the States, the Prime Minister said that in the time of emphasis on cooperative federalism, the country has moved forward with great cooperation on many critical matters. He mentioned the Corona pandemic as an example of center-state cooperation.

The Prime Minister said that not only during



distress but also in the times of festivities, India has impressed the world. He said that the diversity of this great nation was showcased during G20 events in more than 60 cities and the Summit in Delhi. This is the power of cooperative federalism, he said. He also mentioned that the new building also represents the spirit of federalism as artifacts from states have found a place of prominence in the scheme of the new building.

The Prime Minister said that in the Samvidhan Sadan, we celebrated 75 years of Independence, when the century of Independence will be celebrated in the New Building in 2047, it will be a celebration in Viksit Bharat. He further said that in the old building, we reached up to 5th spot in terms of the economy of the world. "I am confident that in the New Parliament, we will be part of the top three economies of the world", he said. He continued, "While we undertook many measures for the welfare of the poor, in the new Parliament we will achieve saturation of coverage of those schemes."

The Prime Minister emphasized the need to adopt new technologies along with the New Parliament Building as the House is equipped with cutting-edge technology. He also urged the Members to support each other in getting accustomed to the new technology available in the House.

In this Digital Age, the Prime Minister said, we must make technology a part of our lives. Referring to Make in India, the Prime Minister said that the nation is making the most out of this initiative with new energy and enthusiasm. ■

Congress leadership intends to “disrespect and abuse” Sanatan Dharma: JP Nadda

BJP National President Shri JP Nadda flagged off the second ‘Parivartan Yatra’ from Jashpur, Chhattisgarh after offering prayers at Balaji temple on 15 September 2023. Before flagging off the yatra, Shri JP Nadda addressed a huge public meeting at Ranjita stadium in Jashpur town. With it the party intensified its campaign against the ruling Congress ahead of the upcoming assembly polls.

According to BJP state in-charge Shri Om Mathur, the Parivartan Yatras are aimed at raising public awareness and exposing the massive corruption of the Congress government. Besides, people will also be apprised about the public welfare schemes of the Modi government at the Centre.

He said the first yatra which was launched by PM Shri Narendra Modi just a day before of this yatra, will cover 1,728 km visiting Bastar, Durg and Raipur divisions in 16 days while the second yatra will cover 1,261 km in 13 days in the Bilaspur and Surguja divisions. Both the Yatras, which will see 84 public meetings, 85 ‘swagat sabhas’ and seven road shows, will culminate in Bilaspur on the same day after collectively covering a distance of 2,989 km across 87 assembly segments (out of the total 90).

Addressing a huge public meeting in Jashpur town, BJP National President Shri JP Nadda hit out at the opposition coalition INDIA and said the agenda of the Congress leadership intends to disrespect and abuse Sanatan Dharma.

He asked Chief Minister Bhupesh Baghel to make his stand clear on anti-Sanatan Dharma comments given by Udhayanidhi Stalin, whose party DMK is a member of I.N.D.I.A bloc. Regarding recent controversies over ‘Sanatan Dharma,’ Shri Nadda mentioned that the I.N.D.I.A alliance had a meeting on August 1, where, on August 3, Tamil Nadu chief minister’s son compared Sanatan culture to dengue, malaria, and COVID. On August 4, Congress President Mallikarjuna Kharge’s son also criticized Sanatan Dharma.

The BJP National President said Sonia Gandhi



is also silent on the issue and Rahul visits all over the world and talks about the Constitution but didn’t utter anything on remarks against Sanatan Dharma. He criticised the Congress for promoting hatred and said, “Actually, the Congress party has opened the shop of hatred, not the shop of ‘Mohabbat’”.

Shri JP Nadda said the Congress government in Chhattisgarh failed to keep the promises made to the people and engaged in massive corrupt practices. He said the Congress government had deceived the people of the state by not fulfilling the promises mentioned in its manifesto. The Congress had pledged to provide Rs 500 to women and four LPG cylinders to the poor. They had also promised land for tribals, which remains unfulfilled. He also criticized CM Baghel for not responding to the President’s invitation to the G20 summit.

Shri Nadda appealed to the Karyakartas to follow in the footsteps of Late Shri Dilip Singh Judeo, who, during the 2003 Parivartan Yatra, took on the challenge of dethroning the Congress and succeeded.

The BJP National President stated that the second Parivartan Yatra would cover 40 assembly constituencies and culminate in Bilaspur, along with the first Yatra, which was launched from Dantewada on September 12. He added that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi would address a public rally when both yatras will conclude in Bilaspur. ■

JDU-RJD alliance is taking Bihar towards 'Jungle Raj': Amit Shah

PM Modi started a new tradition of 'Hyderabad Liberation Day'

Comparing the Janta Dal United (JDU) and Rashtriya Janata Dal (RJD) alliance in Bihar with oil and water, Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah said that this coalition is an alliance of selfishness and they can never unite. "The alliance of JDU and RJD is like oil and water, they can never unite. Nitish Babu, no matter how high the selfishness is, oil and water cannot be one. The oil has nothing to do with it, but the oil makes the water dirty. The alliance made to become the Prime Minister is going to sink you," Shri Shah said at a public meeting in Bihar's Jhanjharpur on 16 September, 2023.

Hitting out at the JDU-RJD governance in Bihar, Shri Shah said that the alliance is taking Bihar towards 'Jungle Raj'. "There is a Lalu-Nitish government in Bihar. I have been reading the newspapers of Bihar. The incidents of kidnapping, firing, looting, and murder of journalists and Dalits are increasing every day. Lalu ji has become active once again, and Nitish ji has become inactive. From this, you can understand what is going to happen in Bihar. This selfish alliance is taking Bihar towards Jungle-Raj," the union Home minister said.

This I.N.D.I.A alliance is selfish. Lalu Yadav wants to make his son the Chief Minister. Nitish Kumar wants to be the Prime Minister. But it is not possible because the position of the Prime Minister is not vacant. Shri Narendra Modi is going to take that position again, he added.

They have made a new alliance with a new name. They worked under the name of UPA and indulged in corruption worth Rs 12 lakh crores. Lalu Yadav did corruption worth crores while he was the Railway Minister. They changed their name because they could not come back with the name UPA, hence they had to come up with the INDIA Alliance," Shri Shah said. ■



Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah speaking at the Centre's official celebration of 'Hyderabad Liberation Day', the day erstwhile princely state of Hyderabad State was merged with the Indian Union on September 17, 1948 said it was 'very unfortunate' that even after the formation of Telangana state almost a decade ago, political parties were hesitating to celebrate the 'Hyderabad Liberation Day' in the state due to their vote bank politics.

"I would like to tell them that the people of the country would turn away from those who turn away from their country's history," Shri Shah said

and affirmed that Telangana and the country can be taken forward only by respecting the nation's history, the sacrifices of martyrs and the country's freedom struggle. The union Home Minister hoisted the national flag and received the guard of honour on the occasion.

Shri Shah credited the country's first Home Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel with the liberation of Hyderabad and said due to his efforts Nizam's Razakars surrendered to the Indian Union. He recalled how on September 2, 1947 in Parkala, the Nizams army commander, ordered firing like General Dyer, killing hundreds of freedom fighters.

The union Home Minister said no government in the past 75 years has celebrated the historic 'Hyderabad Liberation Day' and formulated programmes to remind the younger generation about this great day. Owing to 'appeasement policies' the previous governments were always scared and did not celebrate it, he said. Hailing Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for starting a new tradition by celebrating the day since 2022, he said this is a tribute to the martyrs of Hyderabad Liberation struggle and sends out a message to the younger generation. Citing reasons to celebrate the 'Hyderabad Liberation Day', he said it was to inculcate a sense of patriotism among the younger generation, pay homage to the martyrs of the 'liberation' struggle and rededicate in the service of the nation. ■

“MERI MAATI MERA DESH” CAMPAIGN’S FIRST PHASE WITNESSES MASSIVE PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

More than 2.33 lakh Shilaphalakams dedicated to freedomfighters and security forces built across 36 States/UTs

“**M**eri Maati Mera Desh”, a nationwide campaign was launched on 9th August 2023 to pay tribute to the ‘Veers’ who laid down their lives for the country. This campaign is the concluding event of the ‘Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav,’ which began on 12th March 2021, and has witnessed widespread public participation (Jan Bhagidari) with over 2 lakh programs organized across India.

The campaign features programs like the establishment of Shilaphalakams dedicated to freedom fighters and security forces, as well as initiatives like Panch Pran Pledge, Vasudha Vandan, Veeron ka Vandan which venerates the gallant sacrifices of our Bravehearts.

The first phase of Meri Maati Mera Desh campaign has proven to be a phenomenal success with widespread reach and enormous public participation. More than 2.33 lakh Shilaphalakams have been built across 36 States/UTs till date. Almost 4 crore Panch Pran pledge selfies have been uploaded on website till date. 2 Lakh+ Braveheart felicitation programmes have been organized across the country. Under the Vasudha Vandan theme, more than 2.36 crore indigenous saplings have been planted and 2.63 lakh Amrit Vatikas created.

Now the campaign is all set to enter its second phase with Amrit Kalash Yatras planned across the country. As a pan India outreach campaign, its aim is to touch every household of the country. Mitti and rice grains are being collected from over 6 lakh villages in rural areas and from wards in urban areas across India. In rural regions, it will be combined at the block level to create block-level kalash. After a ceremonial send-off from the State capital, these kalash will come to Delhi for the National Programme. In urban areas, mitti is being collected from wards and brought to larger urban local bodies for mixing and transportation to Delhi through the State capital. It’s expected that more than 8500 kalash will arrive in Delhi by the end of October for the final program.



“Meri Maati Mera Desh”

“Meri Maati Mera Desh” is a nationwide and people led “Jan Bhagidari” initiative to commemorate 75 years of India’s independence. It is the finale of “Azaadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav” programme. ‘Meri Maati Mera Desh’ celebrates the many achievements of the nation. It involves paying tribute to the ‘Veers’ who protect our nation. The ceremonies would be conducted at the village, Panchayat, Block, Urban Local body, State and National level. Soil from the villages of India will be collected at block level and then finally brought to the National Capital along with volunteers from each block who would assemble at Kartavya Path. An ‘Amrit Vatika’ would be planted in the Capital and the Hon’ble Prime Minister would administer the ‘Panch Pran’ pledge to volunteers.

The soil collected from all corners of India will be placed in the Amrit Vatika and Amrit Memorial, creating a legacy to commemorate the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav. ■

PM GETS A ROUSING WELCOME AT BJP HEADQUARTERS AFTER SUCCESSFUL G20 SUMMIT

Following the success of the G20 Summit in New Delhi, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi received a warm, rousing welcome at the Bharatiya Janata Party headquarters in New Delhi on 13 September, 2023. PM Shri Modi was received by BJP National President Shri JP Nadda, Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh, Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah, CEC members and other senior BJP leadership. On the occasion, the BJP Parliament Board passed a Resolution congratulating PM Shri Narendra Modi on the historic and unprecedented successful organization of G20 in India

We, BJP Karyakartas, extend our deepest appreciation and warm congratulations to Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and the Government of India for the successful G20 Summit held in New Delhi on 9-10th September, 2023. We note with great pride the impeccable leadership and unwavering commitment showcased by PM Modi at the Summit. The G20 Delhi summit stands as a monumental chapter in India's diplomatic annals, marking a transformative moment in how our nation is perceived and engaged with on the global stage.

India's G20 has brought the world together on a wide range of issues, be it economics, geopolitics, technology, and more. We compliment PM Modi for his efforts in ensuring an extensive and visionary G20 New Delhi Declaration. The declaration is a testament to foresight, acting as a guiding beacon for our times and beyond.

We are delighted to note the level of participation witnessed it was both unparalleled and unprecedented, resonating with the world's affirmation of India's capabilities and visionary approach. It also shows the world's recognition and confidence in India's potential

and Prime Minister Modi's dynamic leadership.

We compliment PM Modi for showcasing to the world a human-centric model of development, moving beyond the conventional GDP-focused growth trajectory taken in the previous years.

This model, emphasizing sustainability, inclusivity, and shared prosperity, resonated deeply among participating nations, reaffirming India's stance as a champion for the collective good of humanity.

The coming generations will remember the 2023 Summit as the one in which the African Union was given full membership of the G20. This is in line with PM Modi's vision to ensure that the Global South has strong representation in such bodies. PM Modi's desire to deepen engagement with Africa was seen during the 2015 India-Africa Summit in New Delhi, in which all African Heads of State/Government took part. Among the first endeavors of India's G20 Presidency was to hold the Global South Summit. The inclusion of the African Union in the G20 has been met with great appreciation especially by all those who are passionate about serving those on the margins of the global



conversation on development.

It has equally gladdened us to see India take the lead in the Global Biofuels Alliance, which will go a long way in furthering sustainability. The birth of the India-Middle East-Europe Economic Corridor ranks as a watershed moment for the world.

India's G20 Presidency will always be celebrated as a 'People's G20'- a truly people-driven endeavour and a testament to India's enduring spirit.

In summation, we reiterate how the success of the G20 summit has filled the heart of every Indian with a profound sense of pride. As representatives of the people, we stand resolute in our belief that under PM Modi's leadership, India will persistently chart a course marked by growth, cooperation, and global leadership, crafting a legacy that future generations will look upon with hope and positivity. ■

PM launches 'Vishwakarma Scheme' for traditional artisans and craftsmen

He dedicates Phase 1 of India International Convention and Expo Centre - 'Yashobhoomi' to the nation

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi officially launched the Central Sector Scheme PM Vishwakarma at New Delhi on 17 September. On the same day, events were organized at about seventy locations in different parts of the country to spread wider awareness among potential beneficiaries. Union Minister of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry and Dairying, Shri Parshottam Rupala attended these prestigious national-level events as Chief Guest organized by Department of Fisheries, Ministry of Fisheries, Animal Husbandry & Dairying in Mangalore, Karnataka.

PM INAUGURATES YASHOBHOOMI

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi on 17 September also dedicated Phase 1 of India International Convention and Expo Centre - 'Yashobhoomi' to the nation at Dwarka, New Delh. With a total project area of over 8.9 lakh square meters and a total built-up area of more than 1.8 lakh square meters, 'Yashobhoomi' will find its place among the world's largest MICE (Meetings, Incentives, Conferences, and Exhibitions) facilities. Developed at a cost of around Rs. 5400 crore, 'Yashobhoomi' boasts of a magnificent Convention Centre, multiple Exhibition halls and other facilities. The Convention Center, built across more than 73 thousand square meters of area, comprises 15 convention rooms including the Main Auditorium, the Grand ballroom and 13 meeting rooms with a total capacity of holding 11,000 delegates.

Addressing the gathering, the Prime Minister conveyed his best wishes on the occasion of Vishwakarma Jayanti and remarked that it is dedicated to the traditional artisans and craftspeople. He expressed delight at getting the opportunity to connect with millions of Vishwakarmas from across the country. He also highlighted the great experience of visiting the exhibition showcased on the occasion and interacting with the artisans and craftsmen. He also urged the citizens to visit the occasion. The Prime Minister said that for the lakhs of artisans and their



families PM Vishwakarma scheme is coming as a ray of hope.

The Prime Minister underlined the contribution and importance of the Vishwakarmas in the everyday life of the country. The Prime Minister remarked that Vishwakarmas will always remain significant in society, no matter the advancements made in technology. He said that it is the need of the hour that Vishwakarmas are recognised and supported.

PM INAUGURATES EXTENSION OF AIRPORT METRO TO 'YASHOBHOOMI' DWARKA SECTOR 25

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the extension of Delhi Airport Metro Express line from Dwarka Sector 21 to a new metro station 'Yashobhoomi Dwarka Sector 25' at Yashobhoomi Dwarka Sector 25 on 17 September. The new Metro Station will have three subways - a 735m long subway connecting the station to the Exhibition halls, Convention centre, and Central Arena; another connecting the entry/exit across Dwarka Expressway; while the third one connecting the Metro station to the foyer of the future Exhibition halls of 'Yashobhoomi'. To 'Yashobhoomi Dwarka Sector 25' will take about 21 minutes. ■

Cabinet approves expansion of Ujjwala Yojana

The Union Cabinet, chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 13 September approved the extension of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY) for release of 75 lakh LPG connections over three years from Financial Year 2023-24 to 2025-26. Provisioning of 75 lakh additional Ujjwala connections will take total number of PMUY beneficiaries to 10.35 crore.

According to the World Health Organization (WHO), approximately 2.4 billion people worldwide (which is around one-third of the global population), rely on open fires or inefficient stoves fuelled by kerosene, biomass (such as wood, animal dung, and crop waste), and coal for cooking. This leads to harmful household air pollution, contributing to an estimated 3.2 million deaths annually in 2020, with over 237,000 deaths being children under the age of 5. Achieving a sustainable and pollution-free future requires addressing the issue of household air pollution, especially to prevent suffering among women and children.

In the past, impoverished communities in India, particularly in rural areas, used traditional fuels like firewood, coal and dung cakes without being aware of the adverse health effects caused by them. Consequently, they faced health problems without knowing the underlying cause. A heightened mortality risk due to illnesses such as pneumonia, lung cancer, ischaemic heart, and chronic obstructive pulmonary diseases is extensively reported. Non-renewable wood fuels for cooking cause a gigaton of CO2 emissions, and burning residential solid fuels comprise 58 percent of black carbon emissions. They are also a significant contributor to household air pollution (HAP) due to incomplete combustion of solid biomass.

Research also indicates that this is a gender problem: girls and women face increased exposure to solid fuels. Cooking with solid fuels delays progress towards five of the UN Sustainable

The PMUY scheme has empowered women economically and socially. With easier access to LPG, women are no longer burdened with the task of collecting firewood or other traditional fuels, which often required long and laborious journeys. This

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Extension of Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana

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Benefit

- LPG connections to poor households will provide access to clean cooking fuel
- Address health problems caused by use of traditional sources of cooking fuel such as fire-wood, coal, cowdung etc
- Enhance productivity of women, raise their quality of life by removing drudgery associated with collection of wood

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newfound convenience allows them to participate more actively in community life and take up other income-generating opportunities.

Furthermore, the Ujjwala scheme has contributed to enhancing the safety and security of women, as they no longer need to venture into isolated and potentially unsafe areas to collect firewood or fuel. ■

PM HAILS INCLUSION OF SACRED ENSEMBLES OF HOYSALAS IN UNESCO WORLD HERITAGE LIST

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi on 18 September hailed the inclusion of Sacred Ensembles of the Hoysalas in the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Sharing a post on X by UNESCO, the Prime Minister said; "More pride for India!

The magnificent Sacred Ensembles of the Hoysalas have been inscribed on the UNESCO World Heritage List. The timeless beauty and intricate details of the Hoysala temples are a testament to India's rich cultural heritage and the exceptional craftsmanship of our ancestors." ■

E-COURTS PHASE III LAUNCHED

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 13 September approved the eCourts Project Phase III as a Central Sector Scheme spanning four years (2023 onwards) with financial outlay of Rs.7210 crore.

In line with the vision of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji's "Sabka Sath, Sabka Vikas and Sabka Vishwas", eCourts Mission Mode Project is the prime mover for improving access to justice using technology. As part of the National eGovernance Plan, the e-Courts Project is under implementation since 2007 for ICT enablement of the Indian Judiciary the Phase II of which has concluded in 2023. Phase III of the e-Courts Project in India is rooted in philosophy of "access and inclusion".

Taking the gains of Phase-I and Phase-II to the next level, the e-Courts Phase-III aims to usher in a regime of maximum ease of justice by moving towards digital, online and paperless courts through digitization of the entire court records including legacy records and by bringing in universalization of e-Filing/ e-Payments through saturation of all court complexes with e-Sewa Kendras. ■

19.88 LAKH NEW WORKERS ENROLLED UNDER ESI SCHEME IN THE MONTH OF JULY, 2023

Data reveals that more jobs have been generated for the youth

The provisional payroll data of ESIC reveals that 19.88 lakh new employees have been added in the month of July, 2023. Around 27,870 new establishments have been registered and brought under the social security umbrella of the Employees' State Insurance Corporation in the month of July, 2023, thus ensuring more coverage.

Data evidently reveals that more jobs have been generated for the youth of the nation as out of the total 19.88 lakh employees added during the month, 9.54 lakh employees up to the age group of 25 years constitute the majority of new registrations which is 47.9 % of the total employees.

Gender-wise analysis of payroll data indicates that net enrolment of female members has been 3.82 lakh in July, 2023. The data shows that a total

52 transgender employees have also got registered under ESI Scheme in the month of July, 2023. It shows that ESIC is committed to deliver its benefits to every section of the society.

The payroll data is provisional since the data generation is a continuous exercise. ■

NHAI INKS AGREEMENT TO DEVELOP MULTI MODAL LOGISTICS PARK AT BENGALURU

MMLP Poised to Become First and Largest MMLP Implemented in the Country Under the PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan

National Highways Logistics Management Ltd (NHLML), a 100% owned company of NHAI signed on 18 September an agreement for the development of Multi Modal Logistics Park (MMLP) at Bengaluru proposed to be developed under the Public Private Partnership (DBFOT) model at an estimated cost of Rs 1,770 crore, the agreement has been signed between Government SPV, Bengaluru MMLP Pvt. Ltd. & Concessionaire SPV M/s. PATH Bengaluru Logistics Park Pvt. Ltd.

The MMLP is being developed in an area of 400 acre at Muddelinganahalli in Bengaluru rural district in Karnataka. The project is poised to become the first and largest MMLP ever implemented in the country under the PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan.

To facilitate seamless logistics movement, the site is strategically located adjacent to the upcoming KIADB industrial area on East side, abutting the NH 648, Dabbaspet to Hosur as well as Satellite Town Ring Road on North side and Bengaluru – Hubli – Mumbai rail line on South side. Bengaluru MMLP is located at a distance of 58 km from Bengaluru Airport and 48 km from Bengaluru city railway station. ■

OVER 6 CRORE ACTIVITIES REGISTERED ON THE JAN ANDOLAN DASHBOARD ACROSS THE COUNTRY

Since the launch of POSHAN Abhiyaan in March 2018, the nation has embarked on nationwide Jan Andolans focused on nutrition for the very first time. These annual Jan Andolans under POSHAN Abhiyaan are carefully curated to promote behavioural changes, particularly as regards consumption of essential nutritious foods extending to the grassroots level.

GOVERNMENT'S ACHIEVEMENTS

They are designed to target specific beneficiaries, namely, Pregnant Women, Lactating Mothers, Adolescent Girls, and Children up to 6 years of age.

The Jan Andolans is celebrated twice annually, during Poshan Maah in September and Poshan Pakhwada in March-April. To date (16 September), 10 Jan Andolans have been successfully celebrated (5 for each Maah and Pakhwada), recording more than 60 crore sensitization activities. This demonstrates the increasing and sustained participation across the country, since 2018. ■

90 BRO INFRA PROJECTS ACROSS 11 STATES/UNION TERRITORIES LAUNCHED

Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh on 12 September has dedicated to the nation 90 infrastructure projects of Border Roads Organisation (BRO), worth over Rs 2,900 crore, spread across 11 States/Union Territories. The projects were inaugurated by the Raksha Mantri at an event in Jammu on September 12, 2023. These include Nechiphu Tunnel in Arunachal Pradesh; two airfields in West Bengal; two helipads; 22 roads and 63 bridges. Of these 90 projects, 36 are in Arunachal Pradesh; 26 in Ladakh; 11 in Jammu & Kashmir; five in Mizoram; three in Himachal Pradesh; two each in Sikkim, Uttarakhand & West Bengal and one each in Nagaland, Rajasthan and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

The BRO has completed the construction of these strategically-important projects in record time; most of them in a single working season using state-of-the-art technology. In his address, the Raksha Mantri described the BRO as 'bro (brother)' of the Armed Forces, asserting that, through its infrastructure projects, BRO is not only securing India's borders, but also playing a key role in the socio-economic development of the far-flung areas.

Shri Rajnath Singh credited the timely completion of these projects to the hard work & dedication of its personnel as well as the commitment of the government under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. "Together with BRO, we are ensuring that the nation is secure and border areas are developed. Timely completion of infrastructure projects in far-flung areas has now become the new normal of New India," he said.

Shri Rajnath Singh emphasised that infrastructure

development in border areas is not only effective for national security, but also promotes connectivity with a neighboring country which functions with a spirit of co-operation with India. He pointed out that the BRO has constructed infrastructure projects in several countries such as Myanmar & Bhutan and helped in strengthening peace and cooperation with them. ■

GROSS DIRECT TAX COLLECTIONS FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2023-24 REGISTER A GROWTH OF 18.29%

The provisional figures of Direct Tax collections for the Financial Year 2023-24 (as on 16.09.2023) show that net collections are at Rs. 8,65,117 crore, compared to Rs. 7,00,416 crore in the corresponding period of the preceding Financial Year (i.e. FY 2022-23), representing an increase of 23.51%.

The Net Direct Tax collections of Rs. 8,65,117 crore (as on 16.09.2023) include Corporation Tax (CIT) at Rs. 4,16,217 crore (net of refund) and Personal Income Tax (PIT) including Securities Transaction Tax (STT) at Rs. 4,47,291 crore (net of refund).

The provisional figures of Gross collection of Direct Taxes (before adjusting for refunds) for the Financial Year 2023-24 stands at Rs. 9,87,061 crore compared to Rs. 8,34,469 crore in the corresponding period of the preceding financial year, showing a growth of 18.29%.

The Gross collection of Rs. 9,87,061 crore includes Corporation Tax (CIT) at Rs. 4,71,692 crore and Personal Income Tax (PIT) including Securities Transaction Tax (STT) at Rs. 5,13,724 crore. Minor head wise collection comprises Advance Tax of Rs. 3,55,481 crore; Tax Deducted at Source of Rs. 5,19,696 crore; Self-Assessment Tax of Rs. 82,460 crore; Regular Assessment Tax of Rs. 21,175 crore; and Tax under other minor heads of Rs. 8,248 crore.

Provisional figures of Advance Tax collections for Financial Year 2023-24 (as on 16.09.2023) stand at Rs. 3,55,481 crore, against Advance Tax collections of Rs. 2,94,433 crore for the corresponding period of the immediately preceding Financial Year i.e. 2022-23, showing a growth of 20.73%. The Advance Tax collection of Rs. 3,55,481 crore as on 16.09.2023 comprises Corporation Tax at Rs. 2,80,620 crore and Personal Income Tax at Rs. 74,858 crore. Refunds amounting to Rs. 1,21,944 crore have also been issued in the FY 2023-24 till 16 September 2023. ■



PM Modi story



Women Empowerment: PM Modi's Pioneering Efforts

By: Anandiben Patel

As Indian Parliament passes historic bill for Women's Reservation, providing equal opportunities for women has always been a highlight of Shri Narendra Modi's style of working.

Even in 90's as Sangathan Mantri of Gujarat BJP, Shri Modi appointed women on important positions which were otherwise not reserved for women.

Smt. Anandiben Patel, Governor of Uttar Pradesh narrates few such anecdotes where Shri Modi took bold decisions to promote women at different times.

She recalls an incident in Mehsana where Shri Modi had decided to field a woman candidate to represent that Lok Sabha constituency. Shri Modi had then denied to approve the candidates list because there were no women candidates included in it. Later Shri Modi himself declared the name of Smt. Jayshreeben Patel and asked the party workers to make sure that she wins. Smt. Patel won twice and represented Mehsana constituency in Lok Sabha.



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In another incident, when Smt. Anandiben Patel was president of Gujarat BJP's women wing, she had to face several questions when she returned after a meeting in Kutch. Shri Modi asked her about how many women were present in the meeting, their profile like family background and education. He also enquired about their working status.

On asking why Shri Modi was asking all this, he replied that if women from different sectors

would participate in the meeting it would provide an insight into the grassroots of the problems that they face. He gave example of women from Kisan family narrating their problems, similarly doctors and nurses and other working women.

He wanted to know all these problems so that when BJP comes to power, the party will be able to address these problems and try to solve them.

Shri Narendra Modi was very particular about providing women with responsibilities.

Smt. Anandiben shares another anecdote where Shri Modi had made it mandatory that at least one woman is to be given a responsibility in the District and Taluka Padadhikari. Similarly, there was no reservation in the Panchayat and Municipal elections apart from the mayor. So, even in that Shri Modi made it compulsory for a woman to be either a Mayor, Deputy Mayor, or a standing committee chairman and also said that without this criterion the Samiti would not be accepted. ■

FORMER KERALA BJP GENERAL SECRETARY (ORGANIZATION) PP MUKUNDAN PASSES AWAY

Senior BJP leader Shri PP Mukundan, who was the former Kerala BJP General Secretary (Organization), passed away on September 13 in Kochi. He was 77.

He died at Amrita Hospital in Kochi, where Shri PP Mukundan was undergoing treatment for respiratory diseases. He was a former Rastriya Swayamsevak Sangh Pracharak. He belonged to Kannur, Kerala.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi condoled the demise of the leader. He said via X, "Mukundan Ji will be remembered for his simplicity and hard work. People from all walks of life respected him for his intelligence and grassroots connections. He is a person who



worked hard to strengthen the BJP in Kerala. Saddened by his loss, 'Om Shanti'

BJP National President Shri JP Nadda wrote on X, "The passing away of senior BJP leader and former State General Secretary (Org.) Shri PP Mukundan Ji is

an irreparable loss for the BJP family. He possessed great organisational skills and made immense contributions to strengthening the BJP in Kerala. I offer my sincere condolences to his family members in this hour of grief. Om Shanti.."

He and CK Padmanabhan were imprisoned in 1975 while he was serving as the Thrissur District Pracharak for opposing

the Emergency. In 1991, he was given responsibility as the state BJP's organisational secretary. He had previously worked at various levels of the RSS. He held the responsibility until 2005, and he was also South Temple Secretary for the BJP until 2007. ■

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Shri T Ramacharyulu joined RSS at the age of 16 and exhibited full dedication towards the Jana Sangh and held various posts in the party. When BJP was formed in 1980, he joined the party & held positions at the district and state level. He participated in the agitations held in Delhi demanding to identify Bangladesh in 1969,

united Andhra Pradesh agitation held in front of Raj Bhavan, led a special Andhra movement in 1973 and actively participated all other movements organised by the party. He was jailed during the emergency under MISA in 1973. ■

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Sri T Ramacharyulu

Date of Birth
10/08/1927

Gender
male

State
Andhra Pradesh

District
Guntur

Town/City
Tenali

Level
State

Post in Organisation
State Secretary

Active years
1952-1990



SERVING THE NATION, LEADING THE WORLD

Today is a special day, the birthday of a remarkable leader, our beloved Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi. His journey in public life has been marked by an unwavering commitment to social service, national development, and the welfare of the less fortunate. Every moment of his life, every atom of his being, has been dedicated to these noble causes



JAGAT PRAKASH
NADDA

PM Modi has become a symbol of progress, trust, and cultural resurgence. His leadership, based on the core principle of “Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, and Sabka Prayas”, has not only elevated India’s stature on the global stage but has also made him a global icon. The people of the country are seeing their hopes and aspirations being fulfilled under his leadership because service to the public is Shri Modi’s guarantee. The world today keenly listens to his words and looks up to his leadership. The people of our country see in him an unwavering commitment to serving the public.

Much like Lord Vishwakarma, revered as the deity of creation and craftsmanship, PM Shri Modi is reshaping India across various domains. On this auspicious day of Vishwakarma Jayanti, he is launching the PM Vishwakarma Yojana, a scheme that promises

special benefits to small workers, artisans, and craftsmen engaged in 18 different trades, including goldsmiths, blacksmiths, potters, weavers, and sculptors. These unsung heroes, who have long been on the fringes of the mainstream economy, will now receive the support they deserve. This visionary scheme is expected to positively impact around three million workers in the next five years.

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diplomacy, and development story. The way he transformed the summit into a platform for people’s participation and engagement left the world in awe. It was a moment of immense pride to witness how the global leaders at the summit were captivated by India’s diversity and rich heritage. India’s hospitality and strategic diplomacy are now the talk of the world. The India Pavilion at the G20 Summit, a grand and majestic affair, remains etched in everyone’s memories.

Under PM Shri Modi’s guidance, India has introduced itself to the world in an unprecedented way, incorporating

its culture and heritage into foreign policy. Such visionary leadership sets ambitious goals and achieves them. Under the leadership of PM Shri Modi, India has moved away from a subservient mindset and is progressing with self-respect. We now have a new Parliament building and the National War Memorial, symbols of our sovereignty. The unveiling of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose's statue on Kartavya Path has given the national flag a new significance.

More than seven decades have passed since India attained political freedom, and recently, we celebrated "Amrit Kaal", marking 75 years of Independence. The PM has set the ambitious goal of making India a developed nation by 2047.

The Atmanirbhar Bharat initiative has been tirelessly pursued, making India strong and secure. Today, India has established a formidable presence in every sector. It is on the threshold of becoming the third largest economic power in the world.

During Covid-19, the whole world saw the decisive and courageous leadership of our PM. His initiative, the Direct Benefit Transfer-Jan Dhan, Aadhaar, Mobile (DBT-JAM), has played an important role in eradicating corruption; all the beneficiaries receive their entitlements directly in their accounts on time. The PM has seamlessly integrated Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan, Jai Vigyan with Jai Anusandhan.

The world recently witnessed the remarkable achievements of

Chandrayaan-3 and Aditya-L1, showcasing India's prowess in space exploration. In the year of "Amrit Kaal", the PM has taken a commendable step by honouring the unsung heroes of our freedom struggle. Programmes like "Har Ghar Tiranga" and "Meri Maati, Mera Desh" are fostering unity among our citizens.

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policies at the forefront. Good governance is the cornerstone and "Jan Bhagidari" is the bedrock of the Modi government's approach to governance. Every initiative of his touches the lives of citizens. The workers of Bharatiya Janata Party (BJP), inspired by the principle that "seva hi sangathan", tirelessly serve the nation under his guidance.

Shri Narendra Modi, who rose from humble beginnings and faced numerous challenges on his path, has demonstrated unwavering determination in fulfilling his duties. When the opportunity arose, he transformed the Raj Path to the Kartavya Path (Path of Duty). Under his effective leadership, the country has been able to find permanent solutions to all burning issues that the countrymen never believed could be solved. It is due to his

strong political resolution and commitment that the country was able to find permanent solutions to issues such as Article 370, the construction of a grand temple to Lord Ram, the abolition of triple talaq, the implementation of Goods and Service Tax etc.

India's culture and civilisation, among the oldest in the world, have received renewed attention and refinement in the last nine years under PM Shri Modi's leadership.

This has aroused global curiosity about Indian culture, civilisation, yoga, Ayurveda, and traditions. While the world is drawn to our culture, an "arrogant Opposition alliance" continues to insult our country's heritage. The people of India, with their deep-rooted connection to culture, will never accept such disrespect. Between 2009 and 2014, our nation faced numerous challenges and many had lost hope in its future.

However, with Shri Narendra Modi at the helm, the country's trajectory began to change rapidly. People started believing that "my country is changing" (mera desh badal raha hai) and "with Modi, everything is possible" (Modi hai to mumkin hai).

The BJP stands steadfastly by the principles of its supreme leader, PM Shri Narendra Modi, as it works towards realising the aspirations of the people. Inspired by his leadership, people are walking the path he has illuminated for India's resurgence. ■

(The Writer is the National President of BJP)

Certain organizations are hell-bent on dividing the nation and the society: PM

PM lays foundation stone of development projects worth 50,700 crores in Bina

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi laid the foundation stone of development projects worth more than Rs. 50,700 crore in Bina, Madhya Pradesh on 14 September. The projects include the Petrochemical Complex at Bina Refinery of Bharat Petroleum Corporation Limited (BPCL) to be developed at a cost of about Rs. 49,000 crores; a Power and Renewable Energy Manufacturing Zone in Narmadapuram district; two IT parks in Indore; a Mega Industrial Park in Ratlam; and six new industrial areas across Madhya Pradesh.

The Prime Minister on the occasion said that on the one hand, the new Bharat is showing its expertise in bringing the world together and emerging as a Vishwamitra, while on the other hand, there are certain organizations that are hell-bent on dividing the nation and the society. Referring to the recently formed coalition, the Prime Minister said that their policies are limited to attacking Indian values and destroying the thousand-year-old ideology, principles and traditions that serve to unite one and all. Pointing out that the newly formed coalition wants to put an end to Sanatan, the Prime Minister mentioned Devi Ahilyabai Holkar who protected the faith of the country with her social work, Rani Lakshmibai of Jhansi who challenged the British, Mahatma Gandhi whose untouchability movement was inspired by Lord Shri Ram, Swami Vivekananda who made people aware about the various evils of the society, and Lokmanya Tilak who took the initiative to protect Mother India and linked Ganesh Puja with the freedom movement.

Power of Sanatan

The Prime Minister continued on the power of Sanatan which inspired the warriors of the freedom struggle, which reflected Sant Ravidas, Mata Shabri, and Maharshi Valmiki. He warned against those who want to break Sanatan which has kept India united

and cautioned the people to be vigilant against such tendencies.

Government is dedicated to public service

Shri Modi emphasized that the government is dedicated to the development of the country and public service. He said priority to the deprived is the fundamental mantra of the government which is a sensitive government. The Prime Minister also talked about the pro-people steps of help during the pandemic, free ration to 80 crore people.

Madhya Pradesh reaches new heights

The Prime Minister said “It is our continuous effort that Madhya Pradesh reaches new heights of development, the life of every family in Madhya Pradesh becomes easy and every home brings prosperity. The track record of Modi’s guarantee is in front of you”. He informed about 40 lakh pucca houses in the state for the poor and fulfilling the guarantees for toilets, free medical treatment, bank accounts, and smokeless kitchens. He also mentioned the reduction of gas cylinder prices on the occasion of Raksha Bandhan. “Due to this, the beneficiary sisters of Ujjwala are now getting the cylinder at Rs 400 cheaper”, he said. “Therefore, yesterday the Central Government took another big decision. Now 75 lakh more sisters in the country will be given free gas connections. Our aim is that no sister should be left out of gas connection”, the Prime Minister added.

The Prime Minister underlined that the government is working with full sincerity to fulfill its every guarantee. He mentioned eliminating the middleman which ensured full benefits to every beneficiary and gave the example of PM Kisan Samman Nidhi where every farmer who is a beneficiary has received Rs 28,000 directly to his bank account. The Prime Minister informed that the government has spent more than Rs 2,60,000 crores on this scheme. ■



EMBODY THE SPIRIT OF 'VIKSIT BHARAT AND VIKSIT CHHATTISGARH': PM

PM Shri Narendra Modi addressed a massive public rally in Raigarh, Chhattisgarh on September 14, 2023. The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi dedicated to the nation several rail sector projects worth around Rs 6,350 crore in Raigarh, Chhattisgarh on 14 September. He also laid the foundation stone of 50 bedded 'critical care blocks' in 9 districts of Chhattisgarh and distributed 1 lakh sickle cell counseling cards to the screened population. The railway projects include Chhattisgarh East Rail Project Phase-I, 3rd rail line between Champa to Jamga, 3rd rail line between Pendra Road to Anuppur and MGR (Merry-Go-Round) system connecting Talaipalli Coal Mine to NTPC Lara Super Thermal Power Station (STPS).

Speaking to the people Shri Modi said the Congress Government in the state has not promoted the state's welfare and has only focused on 'political gimmickry' making it extremely unfortunate for the people of the state.

Corruption and scandals

"Basic Housing for All is our vision but the Congress Government in Chhattisgarh is not allowing the people of the state to enjoy the various benefits of the schemes, depriving people of their basic necessities. The Congress Government is only interested in filling its own coffers, preventing Garib Kalyan and over the years the levels of corruption of the Congress Government have known no limits," PM Shri Modi said.

The Chhattisgarh Government is based on a plank of false promises and they have only indulged in corruption and scandals. On one hand, when they promised of making Chhattisgarh a liquor-free state and on the other hand they have committed the liquor scam, said the PM. The 'District Mineral Foundation' that was launched for tribal welfare has been used by the Congress Party as an ATM to siphon off funds, the PM added.

On Poverty

The PM said, "The Congress Party is replete of fake guarantees as even 50 years back they had the Mantra of 'Garibi Hatao' and even today, they contest elections on the same fake guarantee."



"Through our policy initiatives to empower the poor and the downtrodden, we have enabled effective and good governance leading to the lifting of 13 crore people out of poverty in 5 years," he said.

Tribal empowerment

PM Shri Narendra Modi said that all our policies have always been directed towards the development of the tribals. The Van Dhan Kendras has been a positive reinforcement with this regard that is enabling the economic empowerment of our tribal people.

Divisive politics of I.N.D.I. Alliance

Coming down heavily on the Opposition's alliance, PM Shri Modi said, "The egoistic I.N.D.I. Alliance, indulging in divisive politics intends to eradicate Sanatan Dharma". The same Sanatan Dharma, that Lord Ram represents and the people of Chhattisgarh represent. "The pure frustration of the I.N.D.I. Alliance of not being to govern at the Centre has today made them desperate to attack India's foundational values of Sanatan Dharma". Further, the PM said, "It is the Sanatan Dharma and its influence that has created legendary and heroic figures showcasing the pride of both Chhattisgarh and India".

PM Shri Modi stated, "Today, India is a land of unparalleled and unprecedented opportunities, which even the global powers have acknowledged". He said that if Chhattisgarh has to be a part of this journey, then it has to shed the corrupt allegiance of the Congress Party and must embody the spirit of 'Viksit Bharat and Viksit Chhattisgarh'. ■

PM Modi 'most popular global leader' with 76% approval rating: Survey

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has again emerged as the most popular global world leader with a solid approval rating of 76% - the highest in the world.

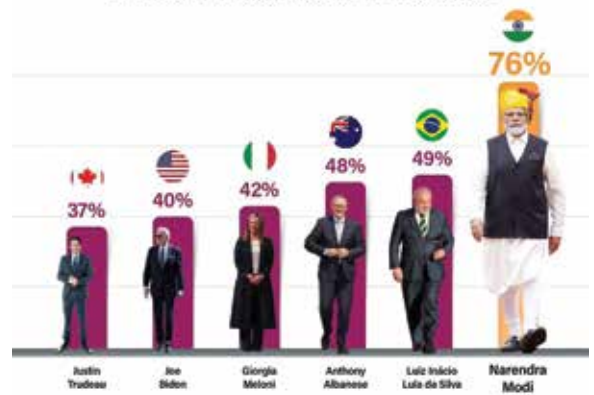
According to the "Global Leader Approval" survey released by Morning Consult on 16 September 2023, PM Shri Modi's approval rating is over 12 percentage points higher than the next leader on the list - Switzerland President Alain Berset. US President Mr. Joe Biden is seventh on the list with an approval rating of 40%, his highest since March.

Notably, according to the data collected from September 6-12, 2023, Shri Modi also has the lowest disapproval rating on the list at just 18%.

Among the top 10 leaders on the list, Canada's Justin Trudeau has the highest disapproval rating at 58%.

Congratulating PM Shri Narendra Modi, BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda @ JPNadda said, "Hon. PM Shri @ narendramodi Ji's popularity remains unparalleled among world leaders! The latest Global Leader Approval Rating by Morning Consult is an affirmation of people's unabated trust in PM Modi Ji's leadership that stems

PM Modi Remains The Most Trusted Leader in The World



from his dedication to serve them with utmost selflessness. This survey reflects PM Modi Ji's stupendous successes in foreign policy, social welfare, and making our country a global power". ■



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PM Shri Narendra Modi chaired a Union Cabinet Meeting at Parliament House Annex, in New Delhi on September 18, 2023



PM Shri Narendra Modi and other Parliamentarians walking from the old Parliament to the New Parliament Building in New Delhi on September 19, 2023



PM Shri Narendra Modi during the interaction with ground level functionaries of G20 Summit at Bharat Mandapam in New Delhi on September 22, 2023



PM Shri Narendra Modi interacting with passengers during a metro ride ahead of inauguration the extension of Delhi Airport Metro Express line to Yashbhoomi in New Delhi on September 17, 2023



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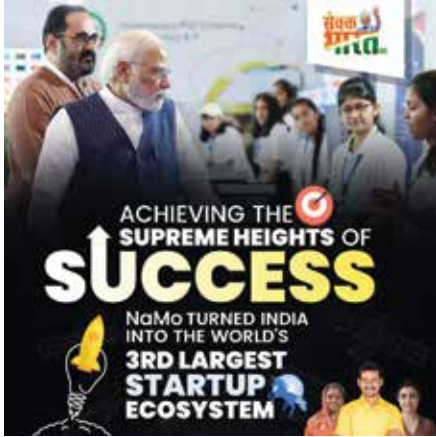
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