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SOCIAL MEDIA CORNER

@narendramodi

Thanks to our COVID warriors, medical community and scientists, India has fought the world's deadliest pandemic in a century with utmost courage. One of the things that makes me proud is the progress India has made on the vaccination front.



@JPNadda

Prime Minister Shri @narendramodi considering the path of determination, dedication and service as the basic mantra of his life, he has dedicated his life for the upliftment of the poor and prosperity of the nation. I am fortunate to have got the opportunity to work under him.



@rajnathsingh

The public-private partnership can bring Defence Production Revolution in our country. The Govt. led by PM Sh.@narendramodi has created a conducive atmosphere to ensure the modernisation of Armed Forces.



@AmitShah

I express my gratefulness to Shri @narendramodiji on the approval of the 'PM MITRA Scheme' by the cabinet to realize Modiji's self-reliant India and '5F' vision in the textile sector, This will create 21 lakh jobs in the textile sector as well as boost production and exports.



@Nitin Gadkari

Hearty congratulations and best wishes to World's most popular leader and Prime Minister of India, Shri @narendramodi ji on completing 20 years in public life. He dedicated these 20 years to the service of poor, workers, farmers and for the country.



@B L Santhosh

PM @narendramodi quotes Pt Deendal Upadhyaya's thoughts at UNGA speech on Deendayalji's Janma Din . A fitting tribute to a great visionary & a befitting thought in these troubled times. #PtDeendayalUpadhyaya



A SELFLESS LEADERSHIP THAT INSPIRES NATION

A journey which was started on 7th October 2001 has completed 20 years on 7th October 2021 inspiring the nation, motivating the people, taking everyone along, piling up achievements after achievements while making each and every Indian feel proud of being Indian. A leadership representing untiring spirit, replete with dynamism and charisma, indomitable against all odds, indefatigable in the face of challenges and willing to lead from front by creating one's own example has enthralled the nation in these twenty long years with everyday increasing hopes and expectations. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has ruled the hearts of the people since he became Chief Minister of Gujarat in 2001 and continues to bring glory to the nation as Prime Minister of India today. As a selfless leader committed to the cause of poor, downtrodden, oppressed and deprived, he has created a new paradigm of politics entailing unparalleled service, complete dedication and exceptional sense of duty. Today, while an aspiring nation expects more and more from him, Shri Narendra Modi keeps exceeding the expectations with his inspiring vision, strong political will to deliver and unbelievable performance at every level.

The nation has overwhelmingly welcomed the highly successful visit of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi to US amid emerging dynamics of post-Covid-19 world. While addressing the UNGA, the Prime Minister has rightly raised the issues related to meeting Covid-19 challenges, combating terrorism and climate change. While enumerating the achievements of the government back home, the Prime Minister also expressed his concerns about the questions being raised on the role of UN on issues like crisis in Afghanistan, origin of Covid, issues related to Ease of Doing Business and other global governance institutions. He emerged as a leader who talked in a straightforward manner on the issues of concerns while emphasising on improving the effectiveness of UN to increase its reliability and to maintain its relevance.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has ruled the hearts of the people since he became Chief Minister of Gujarat in 2001 and continues to bring glory to the nation as Prime Minister of India today

He called for the need to continuous strengthening of UN for protection of "Global Order, Global Laws and Global Values" and safeguard the reputation of the global institutions built through decades of hard work.

While Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi raised the concerns of the people across globe in UNGA, he had many extremely fruitful engagements with QUAD members and leaders of the corporate world. These meetings may result in enhanced capabilities of QUAD nations through partnerships in the field of Covid-19 management, health, infrastructure through QUAD Infrastructure Coordination Group and issues related to climate including clean and renewable energy and talks on clean-hydrogen partnership. The QUAD countries have also agreed to increase

people to people contact in education, cooperation on critical and emerging technologies, cybersecurity by launching QUAD Senior Cyber Group and strategic interests in outer space. These understandings and partnerships are set to mutually benefit the QUAD countries and substantially enhance India's capabilities in various fields.

While the people greeted the Prime Minister on his return from US visit at the airport by welcoming him in large numbers, the 'Seva aur Samarpan Abhiyan' was launched from his birthday to the day he completed 20 years as head of government. The 'Abhiyan' saw thousands of 'seva karya' launched by BJP karyakartas serving million of people across the nation. The 20-year journey studded with wonderful achievements has given new confidence and a sense of accomplishment to the nation under the visionary and charismatic leadership of Shri Narendra Modi. Today, as the world watches India and its achievements with awe and amazement, the strong and dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is inspiring and guiding the people with his new ideas, vision and commitments while making the nation scale newer heights everyday. ■

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PM MODI PARTICIPATES IN QUAD LEADERS' SUMMIT AND ADDRESSES UNGA

STRENGTHEN THE UN FOR PROTECTION OF GLOBAL ORDER, GLOBAL LAWS AND GLOBAL VALUES

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi arrived in Washington DC on 23 September for his three days US visit. At joint base Andrews airbase in Washington, he was given a grand welcome by Indian diaspora. They welcomed PM Shri Modi by waving Indian flags. During his visit he held a bilateral meeting with the US President Joe Biden. He also met Vice President Kamala Harris. He participated in the meeting of the QUAD Leaders' Summit on 24 September, which was attended by the Prime Minister of Japan and Australia, hosted by the President of the United States. And he also separately had meetings with his counterparts from Japan and Australia. In Washington, he met a number of CEOs of major US corporates. So all in all, it has been a short but very, very comprehensive, very useful visit which allowed for extensive high level interactions.

His address in the United Nations, focused on some important themes. The first theme, was that democracies can deliver, democracies have

delivered. The Prime Minister spoke about an array of flagship programmes and initiatives in India that have delivered very successfully to hundreds of millions of citizens, whether it is in the aspect of enabling them to enter into the banking sector by allowing people to open bank accounts, whether it is in terms of participating in health schemes that provide for quality health services to a very large number of our people, health insurance, low cost housing for millions of our citizens being converted from landless to land owners, and many more such path breaking schemes. Also very strong emphasis that the Prime Minister laid was on the issue of technology saying, technology has delivered for us, we have used technology in very many areas of our developmental activity that has enabled us to reach out to people in all parts of the country, every segment of society. The Prime Minister spoke about use of technology in the health sector especially with regard to the ability to immunise hundreds of millions of Indian citizens, in

the wake of the COVID-19 pandemic, through the Co-Win platform.

FACT SHEET: QUAD LEADERS' SUMMIT

COVID and Global Health

Quad leaders recognize that the most immediate threat to lives and livelihoods in our four countries and the world is the COVID-19 pandemic. And so in March, Quad leaders launched the Quad Vaccine Partnership, to help enhance equitable access to safe and effective vaccines in the Indo-Pacific and the world.

Infrastructure

Building on the G7's announcement of Build Back Better World (B3W)—an infrastructure partnership focused on digital connectivity, climate, health and health security, and gender equality infrastructure—the Quad will rally expertise, capacity, and influence to strengthen ongoing infrastructure initiatives in the region and identify new opportunities to meet the needs there. The Quad will launch the Quad Infrastructure Coordination Group.

Climate

Quad countries share serious concern with the August Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's report findings on the latest climate science, which has significant implications for climate action. To address the climate crisis with the urgency it demands, Quad countries will focus their efforts on the themes of climate ambition, including working on 2030 targets for national emissions and renewable energy, clean-energy innovation and deployment, as well as adaptation, resilience, and preparedness. Quad countries commit to pursue enhanced actions in the 2020s to meet anticipated energy demand and decarbonize at pace and scale to keep our climate goals within reach in the Indo-Pacific. Additional efforts include working together on methane abatement in the natural-gas sector and on establishing responsible and resilient clean-energy supply chains.

The Quad will announce a clean-hydrogen partnership to strengthen and reduce costs across all elements of the clean-hydrogen value chain, leveraging existing bilateral and multilateral hydrogen



initiatives in other fora.

People-to-People Exchange and Education

The students of today will be the leaders, innovators, and pioneers of tomorrow. To build ties among the next generation of scientists and technologists, Quad partners are proud to announce the Quad Fellowship. The Fellowship will sponsor 100 students per year—25 from each Quad country—to pursue masters and doctoral degrees at leading STEM graduate universities in the United States.

Critical and Emerging Technologies

Quad leaders are committed to working together to foster an open, accessible, and secure technology ecosystem. Since establishing a new critical and emerging technologies working group in March, we have organized our work around four efforts: technical standards, 5G diversification and deployment, horizon-scanning, and technology supply chains. The Quad leaders launched a statement of principles on technology, along with new efforts that together will advance critical and emerging technologies shaped by our shared democratic values and respect for universal human rights.

Cybersecurity

Building on longstanding collaboration among our four countries on cybersecurity, the Quad will launch new efforts to bolster critical-infrastructure resilience against cyber threats by bringing together the expertise of our nations to drive domestic and international best practices. The Quad will launch a Quad Senior Cyber Group. ■

IF UNO HAS TO KEEP ITSELF RELEVANT, IT HAS TO IMPROVE ITS EFFECTIVENESS, INCREASE ITS RELIABILITY: PM

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 25 September addressed at the 76th session of the United Nations General Assembly in New York. He spoke on Pt. Deendayal's Antyodaya and other issues like the challenges of Covid-19 pandemic, the need to combat terrorism, climate change etc. Here, we are publishing the excerpts of the speech for our esteemed readers:

NAMASKAR FRIENDS,

HIS EXCELLENCY ABDULLAH SHAHID JI

For the last one and a half years, the whole world has been facing the biggest ever pandemic in 100 years. I pay tribute to all those who lost their lives in such a terrible pandemic and express my condolences to the families.

I am representing a country which has the distinction of being named as the 'Mother of Democracy'. We have had a great tradition of democracy for thousands of years. On this 15th August, India entered its 75th year of independence. Our diversity is the hallmark of our strong democracy.

As the Chief Minister of Gujarat for the longest time and then as the Prime Minister of India for the last 7 years, I have been serving the countrymen in the role of Head of Government for 20 years. And I am saying this from my experience- Yes, Democracy Can Deliver. Yes, Democracy Has Delivered. Mr President,

Today is the birth anniversary of Pandit Deen Dayal Upadhyay ji, the father of 'Ekatm Manavdarshan' . 'Ekatm Manavdarshan' i.e. Integral Humanism. That is, the co-journey of development and expansion from self to collective.

In the last seven years, more than 430 million people in India have been connected to the banking

system, who were so far deprived of it. Today, more than 360 million people who could not have thought of it earlier have also got insurance coverage.

By providing free treatment to more than 50 crore people, India has connected them with quality health service. India has made 30 million pucca houses, homeless families are now home-owners.

MR PRESIDENT,

Polluted water is a big problem not only in India but in the whole world and especially for poor and developing countries. To tackle this challenge in India, we are running a huge campaign to provide piped clean water to more than 170 million households.

Today we are engaged in providing digital records

of their homes and land to millions of people by mapping them with drones in more than 600000 villages of India.

If the United Nations has to keep itself relevant, it has to improve its effectiveness, increase its reliability.

A number of questions are being raised on UN today. We have seen this during the Climate and Covid crisis. The ongoing proxy war in many parts of the world- terrorism and the crisis in Afghanistan have deepened these questions. In the context of the Origin of COVID and with regard to Ease of Doing Business Rankings, global governance institutions have damaged their credibility built up by decades of hard work.

It is essential that we constantly strengthen the UN for the protection of Global Order, Global Laws and Global Values. I am confident that all of us will strive to enhance peace and harmony in the world, make the world healthy, safe and prosperous. Thank you very much

Namaskar ! ■





GRAND WELCOME TO PM MODI AT DELHI AIRPORT ON RETURN FROM US

PM Shri Narendra Modi received a grand welcome at Delhi airport on his return from USA visit on September 26, 2021. BJP National President Shri JP Nadda, National General Secretaries Shri Arun Singh and Shri Tarun Chugh, party Delhi unit President Shri Adesh Gupta and other senior leaders received the Prime Minister at the Airport.

Since morning thousands of BJP workers and people gathered at the Palam Airport technical area to receive the Prime Minister. A big stage was set up outside the airport for Prime Minister Shri Modi to accept greetings from people. Shri Modi walked around two km to meet party workers and common people standing on both sides of the roads with his cutouts and posters.

Praising the Prime Minister, BJP President Shri JP Nadda called him a global leader who has made the country a global player. Sharing pictures of the Prime Minister meeting people waiting outside the airport to welcome him, Shri Nadda tweeted, "People were eagerly waiting since morning to see and greet their beloved Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji on his return from US visit."

During his recent visit, Prime Minister Shri Modi held bilateral talks with US President Mr. Joe Biden, participated in the QUAD summit and addressed the United Nations General Assembly apart from meeting big corporate leaders. ■

PM BRINGS HOME 157 ARTEFACTS & ANTIQUITIES FROM US

157 artefacts & antiquities were handed over by the United States during Prime Minister Shri Modi's visit. PM conveyed his deep appreciation for the repatriation of antiquities to India by the United States. PM Shri Modi and President Mr. Biden committed to strengthen their efforts to combat the theft, illicit trade and trafficking of cultural objects.

The list of 157 artefacts includes a diverse set to items ranging from the one and a half metre bas relief panel of Revanta in sandstone of the 10th CE to the 8.5cm tall, exquisite bronze Nataraja from the 12th CE. The items largely belong to the period of 11th CE to 14th CE as well as historic antiquities such as the



copper anthropomorphic object of 2000 BC or the terracotta vase from the 2nd CE. Some 45 antiquities belong to the Before Common Era. ■



'BJP WORKERS SHOULD TAKE INSPIRATION FROM LIFE OF PANDIT DEENDAYAL UPADHYAYA'

The Bharatiya Janata Party National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda paid rich tributes to the great leader Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya on his Jayanti at a function held in the party headquarters in Delhi on 25 September, 2021. Remembering Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya as the father of 'Antyodaya' and 'Ekaatm Manavaad', he exhorted all party workers to follow the path shown by the great leader and work with full honesty to realise his dreams. He said the BJP workers should take inspiration from the life of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya ji and work towards further strengthening the Bharatiya Janata Party.

Addressing the Party Karyakartas Shri Nadda said Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya was the founder and promoter of the policies of the Bharatiya Jana Sangh which he transformed into a strong, nation-wide political force, which today is the world's largest political party -- the Bharatiya Janata Party. The BJP is also a big social organisation which is providing help and doing service to humankind. The BJP has achieved this by following the ideals and principles of Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya.

Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya was a multi-faceted personality. He was an excellent student and was very committed and sensitive towards the needs and problems of the society. He studied under very tough circumstances and dedicated himself towards the society and the nation.

When Bharatiya Jana Sangh was formed, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya worked as its General Secretary. Later at the Calicut conference of Bharatiya Jana Sangh, he was elected as its President.

Shri Nadda said though the political journey of

Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya was a very short one, in a very short span of time he succeeded in promoting the Bharatiya Jana Sangh and establishing it as a influential political party across India.

Pandit Upadhyaya was a political leader with three distinct qualities- he was a successful leader, a fine organizational man, and a great thinker. As an excellent political leader Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya, under the leadership of Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee, established the Bharatiya Jana Sangh as a strong political party and also contributed immensely in making it nation's major opposition party.

As a thinker, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyaya gave the ideologies of 'Ekaatm Manavaad' and 'Antyodaya'.

The BJP National President further said, today the Bharatiya Janata Party under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi is moving forward by following the principles and

ideologies of 'Ekaatm Manavaad' and 'Antyodaya'. When the Janata Party formed its government at the Centre the Bharatiya Jana Sangh played a major role in it and later when the Bharatiya Janata Party formed its government at the Centre it brought people and poor centric policies and programmes by following the principles and ideologies of 'Ekaatm Manavaad' and 'Antyodaya'.

Today, our Shri Narendra Modi is leading the BJP government which is guided by our ideology and principle of 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas'. All the policies and programmes of the Prime Minister, be it economic or social are based on the ideologies and principles of 'Ekaatm Manavaad' and 'Antyodaya'. ■

“ Pandit Upadhyaya was a political leader with three distinct qualities- he was a successful leader, a fine organizational man, and a great thinker ”

PEOPLE ARE FORTUNATE TO HAVE A 'PRADHAN SEVAK' LIKE SHRI MODI: JP NADDA

Bharatiya Janata Party National President Shri JP Nadda on 07 October, 2021 congratulated Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for completing 20 years of governance and peacefully resolving the issues that ailed the country since independence. Shri Nadda was speaking about the completion of 20 years of governance of PM Shri Narendra Modi as a public representative and giving good governance.

The BJP President while congratulating the PM said that his good governance, decisiveness, disciplined life, vision and patience have been instrumental in peacefully resolving the issues that the country inherited after independence.

Shri Nadda said that the Prime Minister has put India at the centre stage by ensuring decisiveness against terrorism and managing international diplomacy.

It is on October 7, 2001 that Shri Narendra Modi took the oath as Chief Minister of Gujarat. "His journey from being CM of Gujarat to Prime minister of one of the largest democracies is inspiring. He sailed the country through tough times while venturing on the path of being the leader of the world. He led by example, became a karma yogi and gave confidence to the people of the nation to make a new India. As a public representative, I wish the tallest leader of the country on completion of 20 years in governance," said the BJP National President.



Shri Nadda said, "Our PM walked the path of service, commitment and sacrifice to work for well being of poor and down-trodden and to make India a prosperous country," who also stated that he considers himself most fortunate to have got an opportunity to work under PM Shri Modi in the organisation, government and party. He said that the people of this country too are fortunate to have a 'Pradhan Sevak' like Shri Modi.

Shri Nadda also recounted how as Gujarat CM, the PM laid the foundation of women empowerment with the schemes like 'Beti bachao, Beti padhao'. Among other schemes recounted, he said it was PM Shri Narendra Modi who started projects like Atmanirbhar state, better electricity supply and water harvesting during his tenure. He managed to get the massive exercise of rehabilitation post-earthquake by making a framework for disaster management in his state. ■

BJP National Executive Committee announced

The National President of BJP Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda has appointed the members of the National Executive Committee, Special Invitees to National Executive and Permanent Invitees (ex officio) on 07 October, 2021.

The National Executive Committee has 80 members including Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Senior leaders Shri Lal Krishna Advani and Dr. Murli Manohar Joshi, Ex-National Presidents and Union Ministers Shri Rajnath Singh, Shri Amit Shah and Shri Nitin Gadkari, floor leader in Rajya Sabha and Union Minister Shri Piyush Goyal and National Office bearers.

The National Executive Committee will also have 50 Special Invitees and 179 Permanent Invitees (ex officio) which includes Chief Ministers, Deputy Chief Ministers, Leader of the legislative party in Assemblies and Councils, Ex-Chief Ministers and Ex-Deputy Chief Ministers, National Spokespersons, National Morcha Presidents, State Prabharis/Sah-Prabharis, State Presidents, State General Secretaries (Organisation) and Sanghathaks. ■

'EVERY LEADER IS A WORKER AND EVERY WORKER IS A LEADER IN OUR PARTY'

The National Executive meeting of BJP National Yuva Morcha (BJYM) was held at NDMC Convention Centre in New Delhi on 05 October, 2021. BJP National President Shri JP Nadda, BJP National General Secretary (Organization) Shri BL Santhosh, National General Secretary and BJYM In-charge Shri Tarun Chugh, BJYM National President Shri Tejasvi Surya and all BJYM National Office Bearers, National Executive Committee Members, State Presidents and State BJYM General Secretaries were present at the meeting.

Addressing the BJYM National Executive Meeting Shri JP Nadda said, "Youth is an institution of change and a catalyst of change". He lauded the endless tasks undertaken by the Yuva Morcha karyakartas under the leadership of Shri Tejasvi Surya at grass-root level throughout India during the difficult times of Covid pandemic.

Shri Nadda said, "While other political organisations went under isolation, our BJYM workers were on the streets helping common people and the needy in the hour of crisis".

Shri Nadda emphasized on the importance of regular introspection by each karyakarta. He said that BJP is the only organisation in the country which has rejected politics of caste, nepotism, appeasement and corruption. The policies and welfare schemes of central government reflect the concept of inclusive development for all section of the societies under the leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi. It becomes the duty of every BJYM karyakarta to ensure that each of these schemes are being implemented efficiently at the ground level.

BJP National President encouraged the youth members and asked them to understand the importance of staying politically and socially relevant. He said working with 'innovative thoughts' and working for India's growth should be our goal, while we prepare for the mission 2047. In BJP "Every leader is a worker and every worker is a leader". We do not order or dictate, rather we involve our karyakartas to work for the organisation

and serve Bharatmata. BJP National General Secretary (Organization) Shri BL Santhosh guided the youth karyakartas to work for the organisation and said it is important for every karyakarta to believe in our ideology. We all are co-travelers on the path of our ideology. We are witnessing record vaccination all over the country by Central Government which is itself a great achievement.

National General Secretary and BJYM In-charge Shri Tarun Chugh recalled his days when he himself was in Yuva Morcha and encouraged youth karyakartas to work in a positive direction to realise the vision of 2047. Digital Revolution will realise the dream of 2047, which we are drafting today at this national executive meeting. He said that every BJP worker is Nation's Chowkidaar.

He said it is vital that we have actual youth in the Yuva Morcha unlike other political organisations. It will be your Karma, which will take you forward in the organisation.



BJYM National

President Shri Tejasvi Surya said the BJYM is the youth wing of the largest political Organisation of the world and it is today at the forefront of all important youth-centric political issues in the country. The BJYM is consistently promoting the good work of Modi Government. India is on the right path under the dynamic leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi and the BJYM will stand by and aid the PM in achieving his vision of a New India. ■

NEW ORGANISATIONAL APPOINTMENTS

The BJP National President Shri JP Nadda on 01 October, 2021 appointed election Prabhari and Sah-Prabhari for the upcoming Lok Sabha By-election of Dadra and Nagar Haveli. Union Minister of Railways, Communications and Electronics & Information Technology Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw was appointed as Prabhari and MLA & Former Minister of Gujarat Shri Ganapat Singh Vasava and MLA Gujarat Shri Piyush Bhai Desai have been appointed as Sah-Prabhari for the by poll to be held on October 30. ■

'MAHILA MORCHA SHOULD BECOME CHARIOTEER IN NATION BUILDING AND DEVELOPMENT JOURNEY OF COUNTRY'

The BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda addressed the concluding session of the Executive Committee meeting of BJP National Mahila Morcha and praised the steps taken by the BJP government at the Center for the welfare of 'Nari Shakti' under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. The two-day National Executive meeting of Mahila Morcha was successfully organized at Dehradun, Uttarakhand on 26-27 September. Among others, party's National General Secretary (Organization) Shri BL Santhosh, National General Secretary Shri Dushyant Gautam and National President of Mahila Morcha Smt. Vanathi Srinivasan along with all the office bearers of the Morcha were present.



Speaking to the participants Shri Nadda called upon the workers and office bearers of Mahila Morcha should become charioteer in nation building and development journey of the country.

Morcha National President Smt. Vanathi Srinivasan was given a grand welcome. She said after coming to here, I have bowed to the Himalayas along with the party organization. Smt. Vanathi Srinivasan said works for the welfare of women is done only by BJP government under the dynamic leadership of our PM Shri Narendra Modiji.

Expressing gratitude to the Prime Minister, National Mahila Morcha President said that we are all aware of the conditions of the country existing prior to the Modi government and in view of our functioning, we have been given important responsibilities from the organization.

She said that the trust BJP National President Shri JP Nadda and National General Secretary (Organization) Shri BL Santosh have placed on us, we have to take it forward continuously for the welfare and betterment of 50 percent women community of the country. ■

Addressing the concluding session of the meeting, Shri Nadda said that in our culture, respect for 'Nari Shakti' has been there since times immemorial. Matri Shakti is said to be the basis and soul of the entire creation, whose description comes in the Vedas, Upanishads, Puranas and our literature. Giving the example of Goddess Shakuntala, he said that the upliftment of women in society and their scholarship make our history proud.

MAHILA MORCHA INAUGURATES SANITARY VENDING MACHINE AT BJP HEADQUARTERS

BJP National Mahila Morcha President Smt. Vanathi Srinivasan along with other Morcha leaders inaugurated a Sanitary Vending Machine at BJP headquarters in New Delhi on 8 October, 2021.

Awareness and affordable access to sanitary napkins is a big step by Modi government to empower women and keep their health in check. ■



OVER 5 CRORE TAP WATER CONNECTIONS PROVIDED SINCE ANNOUNCEMENT OF JAL JEEVAN MISSION

Since the announcement of Jal Jeevan Mission in August, 2019, in just about 25 months, over 5 Crore families have been provided with tap water connection in their homes. Despite Covid-19 pandemic, its subsequent lockdowns and challenges, States/ UTs worked relentlessly to ensure assured tap water supply to rural homes. Assured tap water supply in homes relieves people, especially women and young girls, from fetching water, carrying heavy loads at a distance, etc. thus, reducing their age-old drudgery. The newfound time is being used for income generation activities, learning new skills, supporting children's education, etc.

Jal Jeevan Mission was announced by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 15th August, 2019 to provide Functional Household Tap Connection (FHTC) to every home by 2024. In 2019, out of about 18.93 Crore households in rural areas, only 3.23 Crore (17%) had tap water connections. Thus, 15.70 Crore households are to be provided with tap water by 2024. In addition, functionality of all existing water supply systems and tap connections is also to be ensured. The programme directly benefits more than 19 Crore rural families, bridging rural – urban divide and improving

public health. As on date, about 8.26 Crore (43%) rural households have tap water supply in their homes.

PM Shri Narendra Modi launched the Jal Jeevan Mission app on the occasion of the birth anniversary of Mahatma Gandhi. The app is expected to boost awareness and increase transparency and accountability of the government's water and sanitation schemes. "This (Jal Jeevan Mission) is a village-driven, women-driven movement. Its main base is a mass movement and public participation," Shri Modi said. "It has been my constant effort that this thinking of gram swaraj (village republic) should move forward towards accomplishment."

Shri Modi said from India's Independence in 1947 to 2019, only 30 million households had access to tap water but since the launch of Jal Jeevan Mission in 2019, 5 crore households have been connected with water connections.

The Prime Minister said, "Today, water is reaching every household in about 1.25 lakh villages in about 80 districts of the country. In the aspirational districts, the number of tap connections have increased from 31 lakh to 1.16 crore." ■

INDIA BECOMES FIRST COUNTRY IN WORLD TO START COMMERCIAL PRODUCTION OF NANO UREA

In the presence of Union Minister of Chemicals & Fertilizers and Health & Family Welfare Shri Mansukh Mandaviya, a practical field trial of Drone Spraying of Nano Liquid Urea on 1 October was conducted in Bhavnagar, Gujarat. The trial was attended by a large number of farmers. This demonstration of spraying liquid nano urea by drone was undertaken by IFFCO, a company involved in developing nano urea.

The Union Minister underscored the activity as a huge achievement. "India has become the first country in the world to start commercial production of Nano Urea. Not only has Nano Urea been produced on a large scale today, but we are happy that farmers are adopting it on a large scale since the very beginning. It started production in June and till now we have produced more than 5 million bottles of Nano Urea. More than one lakh bottles of nano urea are being produced every day", he

said.

- Drones will be able to spray more land in less time.
- This will save the time of the farmers. The cost of spraying will be less. This will result in financial savings to the farmers.
- Along with this, the safety of the sprinklers will also be ensured.
- In a short span of time, Liquid Nano Urea has emerged as a powerful alternative to conventional Urea.
- Increasing use of liquid nano urea will result in economic savings to the farmers, increase productivity and reduce India's dependence on urea imports.
- This will also reduce the subsidy burden on the government and the government will be able to use this savings on other public welfare schemes. ■

PM INAUGURATES PSA OXYGEN PLANTS FOR EVERY DISTRICT IN THE COUNTRY

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 07 October, 2021 inaugurated 35 new Pressure Swing Adsorption (PSA) oxygen plants established under PM CARES, across 35 States and Union Territories. The event was held at All India Institute of Medical Sciences (AIIMS) Rishikesh, Uttarakhand.

Taking to Twitter, the Prime Minister called the oxygen plants vital health care infrastructure for larger public benefit.

Uttarakhand Governor Shri Gurmit Singh, Chief Minister Shri Pushkar Singh Dhami and Union Health Minister Shri Mansukh Mandaviya were also present on the occasion.

According to Prime Minister's Office (PMO), with the inception of these 35 PSA oxygen plants, all districts of the country will now have commissioned PSA oxygen plants.

Till now, a total of 1,224 PSA oxygen plants have been funded under PM CARES all across the country, out of which more than 1,100 plants have been commissioned, providing an output of over 1,750 MT oxygen per day.

Operations and maintenance of these plants have been



ensured by training more than 7,000 personnel. They come with an embedded Internet of Things (IoT) device for real-time monitoring of their functioning and performance through a consolidated web portal, said PMO. ■

CABINET RENAMED MID-DAY MEAL SCHEME AS PM POSHAN

PM POSHAN WILL COVER 118 MILLION CHILDREN IN 1.12 MILLION GOVERNMENT SCHOOLS

The Cabinet Committee on Economic Affairs (CCEA), chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 29 September approved the continuation of 'National Scheme for PM POSHAN in Schools' for the five year period 2021-22 to 2025-26 with the financial outlay of Rs. Rs. 54061.73 crores from the Central Government and Rs. 31,733.17 crore from State Governments & UT administrations. Central Government will also bear additional cost of about Rs. 45,000 crore on foodgrains. Therefore, the total scheme budget will amount to Rs. 1,30,794.90 crore.



- The scheme is proposed to be extended to students studying in pre-primary or Bal Vatikas of Government and Government-aided primary schools in addition to all the 11.80 crore children from elementary classes.
- Government is promoting development of School Nutrition Gardens in schools to give children first hand experience with nature and gardening. The harvest of these gardens is used in the scheme providing additional micro nutrients. School Nutrition Gardens have already been developed in more than 3 lakh schools.
- Social Audit of the scheme is made mandatory in all the districts.
- Special provision is made for providing supplementary nutrition items to children in aspirational districts and districts with high prevalence of Anemia. ■

23% HIGHER GST REVENUE COLLECTED IN THE MONTH OF SEPTEMBER 2021

The government has settled Rs. 28,812 crore to CGST and Rs. 24,140 crore to SGST from IGST as regular settlement. The total revenue of Centre and the States after regular settlements in the month of September 2021 is Rs. Rs. 49,390 crore for CGST and Rs. 50,907 crore for the SGST.

The revenues for the month of September 2021 are 23% higher than the GST revenues in the same month last year. During the month, revenues from import of goods was 30% higher and the revenues from domestic transaction (including import of services) are 20% higher than the revenues from these sources during the same month last year. The revenue for September 2020 was, in itself at a growth of 4% over the revenue of September 2019 of Rs.

91,916 crore.

The average monthly gross GST collection for the second quarter of the current year has been Rs. 1.15 lakh crore, which is 5% higher than the average monthly collection of Rs. 1.10 lakh crore in the first quarter of the year. This clearly indicates that the economy is recovering at a fast pace. Coupled with economic growth, anti-evasion activities, especially action against fake billers have also been contributing to the enhanced GST collections. It is expected that the positive trend in the revenues will continue and the second half of the year will post higher revenues.

Centre had also released GST compensation of Rs. 22,000 crore to States to meet their GST revenue gap. ■

GOVERNMENT INCREASES INCOME LIMIT OF DISABLED DEPENDENTS FOR FAMILY PENSION

Ministry of Defence, Government of India on 28 September has taken a decision to enhance the income criteria for grant of family pension to children/siblings suffering from mental or physical disability. Accordingly, such child/sibling shall be eligible for family pension for life, if his/her overall income from sources other than family pension remains less than the entitled family pension at ordinary rate i.e 30% of the last pay drawn by the deceased government servant/pensioner concerned plus the dearness relief admissible thereon.

The financial benefit in such cases shall accrue with effect from 8 February 2021. Presently, the disabled child/sibling is eligible for family pension if overall monthly income of disabled child/sibling from sources other than family pension is not more than Rs. 9,000/- along with dearness relief thereon. ■

DIGISAKSHAM - A DIGITAL SKILLS PROGRAMME LAUNCHED TO EMPLOYABILITY OF YOUTH

Minister for Labour and Employment, Shri Bhupender Yadav on 30 September launched DigiSaksham - a digital skills programme to enhance the employability of youth by imparting digital skills that are required in an increasingly technology driven era. This joint initiative with Microsoft India is an extension of the Government's ongoing programs to support the youth from rural and semi-urban areas.

Through DigiSaksham initiative, free of cost training in digital skills including basic skills as well as advance computing, will be provided to more than 3 lakh youths in the first year. The Jobseekers can access the training through National Career Service (NCS) Portal (www.ncs.gov.in). The initiative gives priority to the job-seekers of semi urban areas belonging to disadvantaged communities, including those who have lost their jobs due to Covid-19 pandemic. Speaking at the launch, the Union Minister said that with fast paced technology up gradations, constant skilling, reskilling and up skilling is a must. ■

MOODY UPGRADES INDIA'S SOVEREIGN RATING OUTLOOK

Rating agency Moody's Investors Service has upgraded India's sovereign rating outlook to 'stable' from 'negative' due to COVID-19 pandemic. Moody said, it expects real GDP to surpass pre-pandemic levels of 2019-20 this year itself, as the ongoing economic recovery is picking up steam with activity upticks broadening across sectors. It expects 2021-22 to record 9.3% growth in GDP, followed by 7.9% next year. ■

INDIA'S COVID-19 VACCINATION COVERAGE EXCEEDS 90.79 CR

India's COVID-19 vaccination coverage exceeded 90.79 Cr (90,79,32,861) as per provisional reports till 7 am on 4 October. This has been achieved through 88,05,668 sessions. The recovery of 26,718 patients in the last 24 hours has increased the cumulative tally of recovered patients (since the beginning of the pandemic) to 3,31,21,247. Consequently, India's recovery rate stands at 97.89%. Recovery Rate is currently at its highest peak since March 2020. Sustained and collaborative efforts by the Centre and the States/UTs continue the trend of less than 50,000 Daily New Cases that is being reported for 99 consecutive days now. 20,799 new cases were reported in the last 24 hours. The Active Caseload is presently 2,64,458, which is the lowest in 200 days. Active cases presently constitute 0.78% of the country's total Positive Cases. The testing capacity across the country continues to be expanded. The last 24 hours saw a total of 9,91,676 tests being conducted. India has so far conducted over 57.42 Cr (57,42,52,400) cumulative tests.

While testing capacity has been enhanced across the country, Weekly Positivity Rate at 1.63% remains less than 3% for the last 101 days now. The Daily Positivity rate reported to be 2.10%. The daily Positivity rate has remained below 3% for last 35 days and below 5% for 118 consecutive days now. ■

INDIA HAS THE HIGHEST FINTECH ADOPTION RATE IN WORLD

The Union Minister of Commerce & Industry, Consumer Affairs & Food & Public Distribution and Textiles, Shri Piyush Goyal has said India is poised to become one of the largest digital markets in the world. Addressing the 2nd Global Fintech Fest-2021 through video conferencing today, he said, "At 87%, India has the highest FinTech adoption rate in the world against the global average of 64%."

"As of May 2021, India's United Payments Interface (UPI) has seen participation of 224 banks & recorded 2.6 billion transactions worth over \$68 Bn and the highest ever, more than 3.6 Bn transactions, in Aug'21," said Shri Goyal. "Over 2 trillion transactions were processed using the AePS (Aadhar-enabled payment system) last year," he added.

The Minister said India's FinTech industry came to the rescue of people at the time of pandemic, by enabling them to carry out critical activities from the safety of their homes, particularly during the lockdown and the 2nd wave of Covid. "As Prime Minister Modi says, 'every crisis can be converted into an opportunity', now citizens do not have to go to the banks, the banks have come to their homes and on their mobile phones," he said.

Shri Piyush Goyal said, under the visionary leadership of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi

MODI GOVERNMENT SETTING NEW BENCHMARKS IN RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

SETTING NEW BENCHMARKS IN

RURAL ELECTRIFICATION

Average availability of power in the Rural areas

22.17
Hours

— June 2021

84.75%
Increase

12
Hours

2015-16

India underwent a digital transformation in Mission Mode since he announced the Jan Dhan Yojana in his first Independence Day speech on assuming office, on 15th August 2014. More than 2 crore accounts were opened under the scheme, which has been considered a world record, he said. ■

“INTEGRAL HUMANISM”

-PT. DEENDAYAL UPADHYAYA



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If we examine our constitution from the point of view of the growth of the nation, we find that our constitution needs amendment. We are one nation, one society. That is why we did not entertain any special rights on the basis of language, province, caste, religion, etc. but gave every one equal citizenship. There are separate states. There is no separate citizenship of state and of Union. We are all citizens of Bharat. By the same token, we have denied the right to secede to individual state. Not only that the power to demarcate the boundaries of state and to choose their names, is vested in the parliament, and not in assemblies. This is as it should be; in tune with the nationalism and tradition of Bharat. However, despite all this, we made our constitution federal, whereby what we have adopted in practice, we have rejected

in principle. In a federation constituent units have their own sovereignty. These voluntarily relinquish their sovereignty to the federation, by an agreement. It may be that they surrender all their rights and thereby the centre requires sovereignty. But these powers are given to the Union. It has no power of its own. Thus the federal constitution considers the individual states as fundamental power, and the centre as merely a federation of states. This is contrary to the truth. It runs counter to the unity and indivisibility of Bharat. There is no recognition of the idea of Bharatmata, Our sacred motherland, as enshrined in the hearts of our people.

According to the first para of the Constitution, “India that is Bharat will be a federation of States”, i.e. Bihar Mata, Banga Mata, Punjab Mata, Kannada Mata, Tamil Mata, all put together make Bharat Mata. This is ridiculous. We have thought of the provinces as limbs of Bharat Mata and not as individual mother. Therefore our constitution should be unitary instead of federal.

A unitary State does not mean concentration of all powers in the Centre; just as the head of the family does not have all the powers with him even though all the transactions are carried out in his name. Others also share the executive power. In our body also, does the soul possess all powers? Thus a unitary State does not mean a highly autocratic centre nor does it entail the elimination of provinces. The provinces will have various executive powers. Even the various entities below the provincial level, such as the Jana Padas, will also have suitable powers. The Panchayats too should have powers. Traditionally, the Panchayats had a very important position. No body could dissolve Panchayats. today, however, our constitution does not have any place for these Panchayats. There are no powers to these Panchayats in their own right. They exist at the mercy of the states only as delegated authorities. It is necessary that their powers be considered fundamental. In this way, the decentralization of power will be accomplished. The authority will be distributed to the lowest level, and will be fully decentralized. At the same time, all these entities of power will be centred around the unitary State. This arrangement will embody Dharma.

If we carry this concept of Dharma even further, not only the State and the nation but the nature of the

entire mankind will have to be considered. In other words, the constitution of a nation cannot be contrary to the natural law. There are a number of norms of behaviour which are not found in any statute book, yet they do exist. At times they are even stronger and more binding than any statutory law. The precept that one should respect one's parents is not written in any law. The present day governments which are turning out variety of laws, day in and day out, have not passed a law to this effect. Still, people respect their parents. Those who do not are criticized. If tomorrow there arises a discussion, even in a court. it will be generally accepted that as long as a person does not attain majority, he should accept his parent's decisions and should respect them.

Thus the fundamental law of human nature us the standard for deciding the propriety of behaviour in various situations. We have termed this very law as 'Dharma'. The nearest equivalent English term for Dharma can be "Innate law", which, however, does not express the full meaning of Dharma, Since 'Dharma' is supreme, our ideal of the state

has been "Dharma Rajya". The king is supposed to protect Dharma. In olden times at the coronation ceremony the king used to recite three times. "There is no authority which can punish me". (Similar claim was made by kings in the western countries. i.e., it was said, "King can do no wrong", and hence there too, nobody could punish the king). Upon this, the Purohit used to strike the king on his back with a staff saying. "No, you are subject to the rule of Dharma. You are not sovereign". The king used to run around the sacred fire and the Purohit would follow him striking him with the Staff. Thus after completing three rounds, the ceremony would come to an end thereby the king was unambiguously told that he was not an unpunishable sovereign. Dharma was above him, that even he was subject to Dharma. Can the people do whatever they please? It may be contended that democracy means just that. The people can do what they please. But in our country, even in people wish, they are not free to act contrary to Dharma.

Once a priest was asked: "If the God is omnipotent, can he act contrary to Dharma. If he does, then he is not omnipotent". This was a dilemma. Can God practice Adharma or is lie not omnipotent? Actually God cannot act contrary to Dharma. If he does, then he is not omnipotent. Adharma is a characteristic of weakness, not of strength. If fire instead of emitting heat, dies out it is no longer strong. Strength lies not in unrestrained behaviour, but in well regulated action. Therefore God who is omnipotent is also self-regulated and consequently fully in tune with Dharma. God descends in human body to destroy Adharma and re-establish Dharma, not to act on passing whims and fancies. Hence even God can do everything but cannot act contrary to Dharma. But for the risk of being

misunderstood, one can say that Dharma is even greater than God. The universe is sustained because he acts according to Dharma. The king was supposed to be a symbol of Vishnu, in as much as he was the chief protector of Dharma Rajya.

Dharma Rajya does not mean a theocratic state. Let us be very clear on this point,

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Where a particular sect and its prophet or Guru, rule supreme, that is a theocratic state. All the rights are enjoyed by the followers of this particular sect. Others either cannot live in that country or at best enjoy a slave-like, secondary citizen's status. Holy Roman empire had this basis. The same concept was existing behind "Khalifat". The Muslim kings world over used to rule in the name of Khalifa. After the first world war, this came to an end. Now efforts are afoot to revive it. Pakistan is the most recent theocratic state. They call themselves an Islamic State. There, apart from Muslims all the rest are second class citizens. Apart from this difference there is no other sign of Islam in Pakistan's administration. Quran, Masjid, Roja, Id, Namaz etc. are same both in Bharat as well as in Pakistan. ■

To be continued...

(Excerpts of the Speech delivered on "Integral Humanism" in Bombay on April 22nd - 25th, 1965 by Pt. Deendayal Upadhyaya in the form of four lectures.)

BHAI MAHAVIR

(30 OCTOBER 1921 - 3 DECEMBER 2016)

Born on 30 October 1921, Bhai Mahavir was governor of Madhya Pradesh from April 1998 to March 2003. He started his political career with Bharatiya Jana Sangh (BJS). Before joining BJS, he was a pracharak of the Rashtriya Swayamsevak Sangh (RSS). He has authored many books and had served two terms prior to his governorship as a member of the Rajya Sabha. He had an M.A. and Ph.D. in Economics and studied Law (LLB) from the University of Delhi.

He was the son of great freedom fighter Bhai Parmanand. Bhai Parmanand was a member of Arya Samaj and a leader of the Hindu Mahasabha. Bhai Mahavir grew up with an Arya Samaj background and went to study at the Dayanand Anglo-Vedic College in Lahore.

Bhai Mahavir joined the RSS in 1938, in a shakha established by Raja Bhau Paturkar in Lahore. He became a pracharak in 1942, and worked in that capacity in Jalandhar for 2 years. Between 1944 and 1947 he was the Secretary of RSS in Lahore. After the partition, he settled down in Jalandhar and worked as a lecturer. He moved to Delhi in 1956, working as a lecturer in the Panjab University College established for the Panjabi refugees.

Towards the end of 1950, Dr. Shyama Prasad Mookerjee gathered in Delhi a core group of activists to form a new political



party, the future Bharatiya Jana Sangh. Bhai Mahavir was among this group, along with Vasant Rao Oak and Balraj Madhok. The three of them founded the Panjab-Delhi branch of the Jana Sangh in Jalandhar on 27 May 1951, which later became part of the nationwide 'Bharatiya' Jana Sangh established on 21 October. Bhai Mahavir was named as National General Secretary of the party. He served in that capacity for one year, succeeded by Deendayal Upadhyaya in 1952. He continued on the Working Committee of the Jana Sangh. Bhai Mahavir continued in senior positions in the Jana Sangh and later in Bharatiya Janata Party. He was elected to the Rajya Sabha during 1968-74 and 1978-84. In 1998, he was appointed as the Governor of Madhya Pradesh and served a full term till 2003. Bhai Mahavir had two daughters and three grandchildren. He was married to Krishna Kumari who passed away in New Delhi on 14 December 2012. Bhai Mahavir passed away at his home in Delhi on 3 December 2016. ■

LIFE SKETCH OF BHAI MAHAVIR

- His father Shri Bhai Parmanand was a famous freedom fighter, sentenced to death by the Britishers. The punishment was later on changed to kalapani.
- Started working as economics lecturer at DAV College, Lahore
- Later on, lecturer at Camp College, Karnal
- Professor at DAV (PG) Evening College, Delhi, up to the time he became Governor
- MD of Akashwani Prakashan Limited
- Vice chairman of Punjabi Academy
- Secretary of Bhai Parmanand Memorial Committee
- Chairman, governing body of Rajdhani College
- Associated with various social organizations
- Started RSS work in 1938
- Founder member of Bhartiya Jansangh
- First General Secretary of Jansangh
- President of Delhi Pradesh Jansangh 1968-69
- Member of BJP's national executive body ever since its formation
- Rajya Sabha member from 1968-74 and 1978-84
- Chairman, Rajya Sabha Subordinate Legislation Committee from 1982-84
- Chairman of BJP's Central Disciplinary Committee since 1996 till the time he became Governor.

PM LAUNCHES SWACHH BHARAT MISSION URBAN 2.0 AND AMRUT 2.0

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi launched Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0 and Atal Mission for Rejuvenation and Urban Transformation 2.0, in Delhi on 01 October.

Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said in 2014, the countrymen took a pledge to make India open defecation free - ODF and they fulfilled this pledge with the construction of more than 10 crore toilets. Now the goal of 'Swachh Bharat Mission-Urban 2.0' is to make the cities Garbage-Free, he said. The Prime Minister underlined the scope of the country's target in the next phase of Mission AMRUT as 'Improving sewage and septic management, making our cities water safe cities and ensuring that no sewage drains anywhere in our rivers'.

The Prime Minister dedicated the successes of transformation in the urban regeneration and cleanliness to Mahatma Gandhi. He said these missions are the result of inspiration by Mahatma Gandhi and is being realized through his ideals only. He also highlighted the ease for mothers and daughters due to the construction of toilets.

Noting that today's event was taking place in the Ambedkar International Centre, the Prime Minister remarked that Babasaheb believed in urban development as a great means of removing inequality. Many people from villages come to cities with an aspiration for a better life. He said, they get employment but their standard of living remains in a difficult situation even compared to their lives in the villages. This is like double jeopardy of staying away from home, and after that to stay in such a difficult situation. He said Babasaheb's emphasis was on changing this situation by removing this inequality. The next phase of Swachh Bharat Mission and Mission Amrit is an important step towards fulfilling

the dreams of Babasaheb, said the Prime Minister.

He said, along with, Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas and Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas is critical for the campaign of cleanliness. Further, commenting on the level of public participation with regard to cleanliness, the Prime Minister expressed happiness that the present generation has taken the initiative to strengthen the cleanliness campaign.

Enumerating the steps taken to take the campaign of cleanliness to the next level, the Prime Minister noted, today, India is processing about one lakh tonnes of waste every day. He remarked, 'when the country started the campaign in 2014, less

than 20 per cent of the waste generated every day in the country was processed. Today we are processing about 70 per cent of daily waste. Now we have to take it to 100%'. The Prime Minister also talked about enhanced allocations for the Urban Development Ministry. He said in the

preceding 7 years before 2014, the Ministry was given about 1.25 lakh crore rupees while in 7 years from 2014 almost 4 lakh crore rupees were allocated for the Ministry.

The Prime Minister referred to street vendors and hawkers as one of the most important partners of any city in the program related to urban development. The Prime Minister reiterated that PM Svanidhi Yojana has come as a new ray of hope for these people. More than 46 street vendors have availed benefits under Svanidhi scheme and 25 lakh people have received 2.5 thousand crore rupees. The Prime Minister said that these vendors are promoting digital transactions and maintaining a very good record of paying back their loans. He expressed happiness that big states like Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh have taken the lead in implementing the scheme. ■





NATIONAL COOPERATIVE CONFERENCE, NEW DELHI

'PATH OF DEVELOPMENT OF CRORES OF FARMERS, BACKWARD, DALITS, POOR, NEGLECTED AND WOMEN OF THE COUNTRY CAN BE PAVED ONLY THROUGH COOPERATIVES'

Union Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah addressed the 'National Cooperative Conference' held in New Delhi on 5th October as the Chief Guest. On this occasion, many dignitaries associated with cooperatives welcomed the country's first Cooperation Minister, Shri Amit Shah. The Union Minister of State for Cooperation, Shri B. L. Verma, President of the International Cooperative Alliance (Global), Dr. Ariel Guarko, Secretary, Ministry of Cooperation and Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare and all co-operatives including India's leading cooperatives – IFFCO, National Cooperative Federation of India, Amul, Sahakar Bharti, NAFED and KRIBHCO and many other dignitaries of the cooperatives family were also present.

Shri Amit Shah said that the vision of welfare of the poor and Antyodaya cannot happen without cooperatives and whenever there was talk of development in the country earlier, Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay first talked about Antyodaya and today his birthday is the day to receive inspiration for lakhs and crores of workers.

Shri Amit Shah said that after 75 years of Independence and at a time when the cooperative

movement was most needed, the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, created the Ministry of Cooperation. He thanked the Prime Minister on behalf of crores of people of the cooperative sector across the nation for forming the Ministry of cooperation. He said it is a matter of pride for him to be the country's first Cooperation minister.

He said that cooperatives make a very important contribution in the development of the country and this contribution is still there, but still many

dimensions are yet to be reached. He said that it will have to be thought afresh, it will have to be outlined anew, the scope of our work will have to be increased, transparency will have to be brought in the work, and the cooperative movement will have to be included in the work as a nature and culture and shall have to move forward. He said that

the path of development of crores of farmers, underprivileged, backward, Dalits, the poor, neglected and women of the country can be paved only through cooperatives.

Shri Amit Shah said that many people question the relevance of cooperatives and they feel that the cooperative movement has become irrelevant, but the cooperative movement is most relevant today and there is a long way to go. He said that by connecting

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every village with cooperatives, making every village prosperous with the mantra of prosperity from cooperation and through this making the country prosperous, this is the role of the cooperative movement.

The Union Minister of Home Affairs and Minister of Cooperation said that the word cooperative is made up of the words 'co' and 'work', cooperative is to work together, with a goal, in one direction with the fraternity. He said that maybe the strength and economic power of all of us working in the cooperative sector is less, but our numbers are so large that

if we collect it through cooperatives, then a tremendous force is created, which no one can beat. Shri Shah said that now the time has come to make a new beginning in the cooperative movement with confidence. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has given a mantra, of

- Thanked the Prime Minister on behalf of crores of people of the cooperative sector across the nation for forming the Ministry of cooperation
- Welfare of the poor and Antyodaya cannot be imagined without cooperation
- Cooperatives make an important contribution to the country's development and the cooperative movement has to be taken forward by imbibing the spirit of cooperation in work
- The path of development of crores of farmers, deprived, Backward, Dalits, poor, neglected and women can only take place through cooperation
- By connecting every village with cooperatives, making every village prosperous with the mantra of "Sahakar se Samridhi" and through this making the country prosperous, that is the role of the cooperative movement
- PM Shri Narendra Modi has given the mantra, "Sahakar se Samridhi", and he has set a goal of a US \$ five trillion economy, the cooperative sector will also contribute to fulfill this goal

prosperity from cooperation, and the cooperative sector will also give full thrust to fulfill the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi's goal which he has set of a US \$ 5 trillion economy. The cooperative sector will also exert its full force to fulfill this goal.

Shri Amit Shah said that the cooperative movement will also develop rural society and will also create the concept of a new social capital. He said that there are many interpretations of capital, but we are a people carrying 10,000 years of culture and the idea of social capital will take our cooperative movement a long way. Shri

Shah said that cooperatives have become ingrained in the nature of the people of India and cooperation is in our culture and it is not a borrowed concept, which is why the cooperative movement in India can never become irrelevant. ■

PM INAUGURATES CIPET IN RAJASTHAN

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 30 September inaugurated CIPET: Institute of Petrochemicals Technology, Jaipur through video conference. He also laid the foundation stone for four new medical colleges in the Banswara, Sirohi, Hanumangarh & Dausa districts of Rajasthan. The Prime Minister congratulated the people of Rajasthan for the 4 new medical colleges and CIPET institute. He informed that after 2014, 23 medical colleges have been approved by the central government for Rajasthan and 7 medical colleges have already become operational.

Addressing the gathering, the

Prime Minister said the biggest pandemic of 100 years has taught a lesson to the health sector of the world. Every country is engaged in dealing with this crisis in its way. India has resolved to increase its strength, self-reliance in this disaster.

The Prime Minister noted that while agriculture is a state subject, as the Chief Minister of Gujarat, he understood the shortcomings of the health sector of the country and, as Prime Minister, he made continuous efforts to remove them. He said that "we have worked on a national approach and national health policy to transform the country's



health sector. From Swachh Bharat Abhiyan to Ayushman Bharat and now Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission, many such efforts are part of this approach", said the Prime Minister. He said that about three and a half lakh people in Rajasthan received free treatment under the Ayushman Bharat Yojana and the

CM TO PM

MODI'S TWO DECADES OF SERVICE



JAGAT PRAKASH NADDA

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Today our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji completes two decades as the head of the public office. On October 7, 2001 Shri Modi was first sworn in as the Chief Minister of Gujarat. From being the four-term Chief Minister of Gujarat to heading the world’s largest democracy as its ‘Pradhan Sewak’, the 20-year-long journey of public service of Shri Modi has been devoted towards making India a prosperous and strong nation – a ‘Vishwaguru’. A ‘karmyogi’ par excellence, Shri Modi has given our nation the confidence of fulfilling our dream of a ‘New India’.

I give my hearty congratulations to our Pradhan Sewak for having completed 20 successful years as a people’s representative, as a true ‘jan sewak’ and for having been one of the world’s most respected and popular mass leaders. I pray to God to give him strength and wisdom so that he can fulfil all his commitments made to the people of the country.

Our Honourable Prime Minister has always tread the path of commitment, devotion, dedication and selfless service. The Pradhan Sewak’s ‘mantra’ for governance has been the upliftment of poor and backward classes and progress and prosperity of our nation. Today India stands amongst the leading powers in the world, while the BJP has been recognized globally for fulfilling its pledge of ‘Sewa hi Sangathan’.

I consider myself very lucky and blessed to have got the opportunity to work with him in the organisation, in his Cabinet and now as the Bharatiya Janata Party National President. It is a matter of great pride and honour for every Indian that we have Shri Narendra Modi as our ‘Pradhan Sewak’.

Today India stands as a confident and self-reliant nation under Shri Modi. We are excelling on social and economic fronts, thanks to the effective policies and programmes of the Narendra Modi government which include Jan Dhan Yojna, Jan Suraksha Yojna, Mudra Yojna, Digital India, Ujjalwala Yojna, Ujala Yojna, Ayushman Bharat Yojna, Kisan Samma-Nidhi Yojna, Awas Yojna, Soubhagya Yojna, Atmanirbhar Bharat, Vocal for Local, Make in India among others.

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Yojna, Atmanirbhar Bharat Yojna, Gareeb Kalyan Rozgar Yojna are some of the schemes which have touched lives of every Indian.

In Gujarat his policies and initiatives changed the fortune of the state. From rebuilding of quake-hit Bhuj to the placement of Gujarat as the world's most investment-friendly investment destination through 'Vibrant Gujarat', making the state self-reliant and self-sufficient on the power generation front, building world-class infrastructure – all these aspects of development and progress gave Gujarat a recognition on the global arena. On the social front, Shri Modi transformed Gujarat with focus on rural hinterland. Schemes like 'Kanya Kelavni Yojna', 'Shala Praveshotsav' and 'Beti Bachao-Beti Padao' improved school enrollment and female literacy, also created a national benchmark

for women empowerment. The 'Gujarat Model' of rural development became a case study for the entire world where schemes like 'Jyotigram Yojna', 'eGram Vishwagram', water conservation and groundwater rejuvenation projects changed the face of rural Gujarat.

Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji has created an eco-system of solving the problems and addressing the issues of our country. He not only increased the MSP of our farmers' produce by more than one-and-a-half times, he also gave their insurance scheme, thus making them secure and safe. For the poor he introduced life insurance and accident insurance schemes at a paltry sum of Rs. 330 and Rs. 12 per year, thus giving them much needed social security. With the Ayushman Bharat Yojna he gave health insurance coverage to crores of poor people across the country. Start-up India, Skill India are some of the schemes which generated employment and boosted entrepreneurship in the country. He gave special economic packages to MSMEs.

Our Honourable Prime Minister also led India's fight against the Corona pandemic. From timely announcing the lockdowns to spearheading the

vaccine development and nationwide vaccination drive, all this saved India even as the world's most developed nations failed to cope up with the crisis. Today we have crossed the 93 crore vaccination mark and by December we hope to vaccinate all our citizens. Welfare schemes for the poor and needy like the 'Gareeb Kalyan Ann Yojna' and 'Gareeb Kalyan Yojgar Yojna' are also a testimony of how much our Pradhan Sewak cares for the poor and needy.

Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji has exceptional qualities of taking quick and firm decisions, and with his patience and foresightedness he has been able to tackle some of the old issues plaguing our country. The greatest achievements of our Pradhan Sewak has been the successful resolution to some old disputes and problems and

legacy issues which no previous

governments dared to touch as they were considered unresolvable. The scrapping of Article 370 to fulfil the nation's commitment of 'Ek Desh, Ek Vidhan, Ek Nishan', bringing to an end the regressive triple 'talaq' to empower our Muslim women, the 'bhoomi puja' of grand temple at the

Ram Janmbhoomi in Ayodhya,

giving constitutional status to the OBC Commission, Citizenship Amendment Act, 10% reservation to poor belonging to the general category, GST – all these decisions are the important milestones crossed by the Narendra Modi government which are going to lay strong foundations of our Nation. It will help us in making our country stronger and more prosperous.

We feel fortunate to have Shri Modi as our 'Pradhan Sewak' who is bringing tangible changes in the lives of every Indian and is working hard to reestablish India as a 'Vishwaguru'. I pray to the almighty to give him good health and long life so that he can fulfil all his pledges and commitments made to the people of India. I once again congratulate our Honourable Prime Minister for crossing yet another milestone of his remarkable and extraordinary journey of public service. ■

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'SEVA & SAMARPAN' IS THE BASIC MANTRA FOR EVERY BJP KARYAKARTA: ARUN SINGH



BJP National General Secretary Shri Arun Singh in an exclusive interview with Kamal Sandesh Associate Editors Ram Prasad Tripathy & Sanjeev Kumar Sinha, discussed about the thought behind the 'Seva Aur Samarpan Abhiyan' and its notable success. Shri Singh said PM Shri Narendra Modi is a legend led by examples and with bold decisions and visionary leadership he gave confidence to the people to make a 'New India'. Therefore, for 20 days starting from PM Shri Narendra Modi's birthday on 17 September to 07 October, the party has celebrated the completion of glorious 20 years of Shri Modi in public office as 'Seva Aur Samarpan Abhiyan' throughout the country. Excerpts;

SEVA AUR SAMARPAN ABHIYAN LAUNCHED BY BJP NATIONAL PRESIDENT FROM THE BIRTHDAY OF PM SHRI NARENDRA MODI ON 17 SEPTEMBER WAS CONCLUDED ON 07TH OCTOBER WITH A GRAND SUCCESS. CAN YOU PLEASE TELL A LITTLE ABOUT THE ABHIYAN?

As you know, on 07 October 2021, PM Shri Narendra Modi completed 20 years in public office with more than 13 years as the Chief Minister of Gujarat and the rest as the Prime Minister of India. It was exactly 20 years ago on 07 October 2001, when Shri Narendra Modi became the Chief Minister of Gujarat. He served as CM between 2001 and 2014 and was sworn in as the country's Prime Minister on May 26, 2014. Shri Modi was sworn in for his second term in May 2019 after serving as the Prime Minister from 2014 to 2019. He is the lone politician in our country who has been serving the nation since last two decades with plentiful achievements and remarkable successes. Therefore, for 20 days starting from PM Shri Narendra Modi's birthday on 17 September to 07 October, the party has celebrated the completion of glorious 20 years of Shri Modi in public office as 'Seva Aur Samarpan Abhiyan' throughout the country.

WHAT IS THE KEY THOUGHT AND INSPIRATION BEHIND THE SEVA AUR SAMARPAN ABHIYAN AND ITS GRAND SUCCESS?

PM Shri Narendra Modi is an icon of good governance for crores of people of the country. He is known for his visionary leadership and extraordinary successes as the Prime Minister. Be it the abrogation of Article 370, the law against Triple Talaq, Ram temple in Ayodhya, CAA, constitutional status to OBC commission, GST and reservation for economically backward section, PM Shri Modi has taken historic decisions for the wellbeing of our society and resolved issues that has been pending since independence of the country. PM Shri Narendra Modi led by examples, became a karma yogi and gave confidence to the people of the nation to make a 'New India'. Implementation of his decisions laid the foundation of a self-reliant and strong India and for his commitment, the country is emerging as a global leader reversing its prior images.

Shri Modi has seen poverty very closely and that is what inspired him to come up with welfare schemes like Jan Dhan, Ujala, Ujjawala, Kisan Samman Nidhi, Saubhagya, PM Awas, Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, vocal for local, Gareeb Kalyan and many more schemes that uplift the standard of living of the poor. His direct benefit scheme has put a stop on corruption and abolished middlemen.

For all these reasons, crores of Karyakartas of the party in particular and people in general love Modiji as an inspiration and guiding figure. So I will say the love and affection of Karyakartas to PM Shri Modi, his magnetic personality, welfare schemes and historic achievements are central inspiration behind the grand success of this abhiyan.

BJP National President constituted a team of senior leaders like BJP National General Secretaries Shri Kailash Vijayvargiya and Smt. D. Purandeswari, BJP National Secretary Shri Vinod Sonkar and BJP Kisan Morcha National President Shri Rajkumar Chahar as in-charge of this programme. This team in association with the BJP State leadership and lakhs of our Karyakartas worked under the dynamic leadership of BJP National President Shri JP Nadda to make this programme a grand success.

WHAT SERVICE WORKS WERE UNDERTAKEN BY PARTY KARYAKARTAS DURING THIS ABHIYAN?

Several programmes were organised during this 20 days phase. Our Karyakartas have organised more than 2000 Blood donation camps and in 45000 places across the country segregation work of harmful single use plastics were organised. Likewise, thousands of free health checkup camps, river and pond cleaning in thousand of places in all most all districts of the country, distribution of food, grocery & fruits at elderly homes, hospitals, slums etc. were organised.

Under the leadership of PM Shri Modi, Indian scientists produced two made in India Covid vaccines and the central government is giving free of cost vaccines to around 100 crore people in a record time. Therefore, as a token of love for their leader, lakhs of Karyakartas participated and helped the needy for vaccination during the abhiyan. With 2.5 crore vaccinations on Shri Modiji's Birthday a world record was also created and our Karyakartas played a vital role in it.

The BJP Karyakartas have also done highly appreciable work for physically challenged people and donated thousands of artificial limbs and others supportive instruments to them.

In every phase of life, PM Shri Modi has contributed immensely to strengthen the nation. Therefore, exhibitions were also organised in various districts of the country and at the BJP central office in New Delhi

depicting various stages of life and achievements of our Prime Minister. Lakhs of people visited these exhibitions and get motivations from it.

'Seva' & 'Samarpan' is the basic mantra for every BJP Karyakarta. So, with these Seva works our Karyakartas wished the best for Prime Minister and prayed for his good health and long life.

NOWADAYS, POLITICS MEANS AGITATION, PROTEST, DEMONSTRATION, JINDABAD AND MURDABAD. HOWEVER, BJP'S FOCUS IS MORE ON SEVA OR SERVICE OF MANKIND. WHAT IS THE IDEA BEHIND IT?

There are three objectives in politics for any Karyakarta. First, organizational. To expand the party on the basis of party's ideology is the main organizational objective for us. Secondly, work for the cause of the people, raise peoples' issues and fight for their solutions. Third, constructive or service works for the society. To spread Government's achievements and create public awareness among the people for the best utilization of schemes are part of this objective. However, unfortunately our opposition parties are moving forward not to solve the problems of the people but to solve their own problems.

For BJP 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas and Sabka Prayas' is the mantra and our Karyakartas belief to foster all-round development and growth of India. When the opposition was in isolation during the crisis of Covid pandemic our Karyakartas were on the roads to help the needy. They faced problems but served the people during the pandemic because it is BJP's culture. But the opposition parties like the Congress, SP, BSP and others have no faith in Seva or service of the people or society.

Therefore, agitation, protest, demonstration, jindabad and murdabad are main Mantra for opposition parties and Seva works like tree plantation, river/pond cleaning, blood camp, health camp, helping the poor and needy at the time of crisis, Swachhta Abhiyan, vocal for local, promotion of Khadi are part of our day to day programme. Father of the nation Mahatma Gandhi practiced all these in his lifetime and if anybody fulfilling the dreams of Gandhi and promoting these Seva works as peoples' movement, it is PM Shri Narendra Modi. ■

ALL IN ONE

The making of a marketplace with an Indian ethos



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THE INDIAN ECONOMY has seen rapid changes, particularly in the last seven years, which are transformational. Time does not give us the luxury of gentle, incremental changes that are less disruptive. Moving India away from debilitating socialism to a free-market economy suffused with Indian ethos is an enormous task. Socialism, aggravated by a licence quota raj, had chained down India's entrepreneurs, withered away her assets and resources and brought in hopelessness.

Although the opening up of our economy commenced in 1991, several necessary follow-up actions were not taken then. This led to a dilution of the impact the 'opening-up' was to have had on the economy. A decade later some efforts began but soon, government changed hands. Unfortunately, what followed that brief period was a lost decade, which set us back so badly that we were classified as one among the five fragile economies.

When government again changed in 2014, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, with his three unbroken terms as chief minister of Gujarat, committed

himself to build a "New India". The demographic dividend provided a market even as the youth were rearing to serve as entrepreneurs. Their innovations remained unrecognised even as they were contributing to economies far away from home. Technology and digitalisation could bring in efficiencies. In the New India, every one's basic necessities, such as water, sanitation, accommodation and health will be provided for. New India's policies shall work on empowering people. Even after decades of trying, policies based on principles of entitlement have

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failed to break the vicious cycle of poverty, unemployment and deprivation.

Old India kept our traditional skills and craftsmen in a glorified cage so that they couldn't access growing markets. In the name of protecting them they were kept in the 'reserved list', thereby restricting access and competition. A disservice to those who conquered world markets before imperialism stifled them! Our farmers, who were producing bountiful crops even as they

weathered unpredictable climatic conditions, were bound by restrictions that curtailed their fair earnings. In a diverse country like ours, there were local products, almost one a district. They were left as the underlings. The skills, the artisans, the local products, the dairy and textile cooperatives, all needed revival and rejuvenation. Old India needed to come alive to infuse colour and flavour and to rivet New India to its roots.

Old India was left behind being 'protected' or neglected. An exaggerated belief of socialist India was that government could do nearly everything and deliver too. Steel, cement, watches, telephones, tyres, clothing, pharmaceuticals, condoms, scooters, cars, ships, even bread, were manufactured by government units. Government was also in banking, insurance, refineries, mining, hotels, hospitality, tour operations, airline service and telephone communication. Moving away from this to bring in efficiencies of the private sector was important. Recognising legitimate profit making, respecting industry as job and wealth creators required policy support.

India is seeing a phase of makeover. A clear movement towards an Indian-ethos-infused-market-economy. Not an unbridled mercantilism or a heartless capitalism. The guiding

philosophy is a classic: “Sab ka Saath, Sab ka Vikas, Sab ka Vishwas” and “Sab ka Prayaas”.

In Modi 1.0, the floodgates of reforms, rejuvenation and revival opened in full view. The Jan Dhan Yojana, the strengthening of Aadhaar and the using of mobile (the JAM trinity) gave the first mover advantage to the poor. This was soon followed up with Direct Benefit Transfer (DBT) in reaching pensions, ration, fuel, Samman Nidhi to those eligible. A big collateral benefit resulting from this exercise was the savings for the taxpayer. All ghost accounts were eliminated and vast sums of money were saved from pilferage. Ujjwala helped achieve so many goals even as it nudged demerit users out of subsidy. The poor couldn't be denied safe and healthy fuel.

The Goods and Services Tax (GST)

brought the multiplicity of indirect taxes across the country into one.

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code was taken up as a major step towards a timebound resolution of insolvencies.

Reforming the financial sector commenced with the four R principle: Recognition, Resolution, Recapitalisation and Reform. The problem of legacy Non-Performing Assets (NPA) was addressed steadily so that today nearly all banks are out of Prompt Corrective Action.

They were recapitalised periodically.

Now, they are also raising funds in the market.

The momentum of economic makeover continues in Modi 2.0 despite the pandemic. In November 2020, Prime Minister Shri Modi, while addressing the Bloomberg New Economic Forum, observed: “The Covid-19 pandemic has posed enormous challenges...The biggest question before the entire world is how to restart? The restart will not be possible without a reset. A reset of mindset. A reset of processes. And a reset of practices.”

Ensuring no one remains hungry was a priority during the pandemic, resulting in free foodgrain distribution to nearly 80 crore people for eight full months, plus up to three cylinders of cooking gas

and a little cash for exigencies that might arise. The Divyang, construction workers and poor senior citizens were provided some relief. Through the four Atmanirbhar Bharat announcements, timely hand-holding support for small and medium enterprises, traders and small employees was also provided.

Equally noteworthy is the flurry of systemic reforms that were undertaken. The lowering of the corporate tax rate was a decision post the first Budget of Modi 2.0. For new companies, the rate was brought to 15 per cent and for existing companies it was brought to 22 per cent. Minimum Alternate Tax (MAT) was also exempted for companies. For empowering farmers, three Farm Reforms Acts were passed. Now the farmers can choose the buyer and the price at which they wish to sell their produce.

Even during the pandemic the amalgamation of banks happened.

Today, we have only 12 public sector banks (PSB) from 27 in 2017. A National Asset Reconstruction Company (NARC) and an India Debt Resolution Company (IDRC) have been established. They shall carve out the NPAs from commercial banks and realise maximum values for the banks. To ensure the value realisation, the Government provides a backstop arrangement.

Long-term infrastructure funding with proper risk assessment and long-term capital shall now be available through the National Bank for Financing Infrastructure and Development (NaBFID). An enabling provision in the law also envisages private sector development funding institutions. A pipeline of projects, with a total capital expenditure of over ₹ 112 lakh crore, has been announced and a portal gives the status of progress.

To attract further investments and make India a manufacturing hub, a Production-Linked Incentive Scheme (PLI) has been introduced to benefit 13 champion sectors. In the light of a global supply chain reset, this scheme has attracted investments in mobile, medical devices, API/KSM manufacture in pharma, food processing, textiles, etcetera.

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Long awaited reforms to the telecom and power sectors critical to the economy have also been undertaken.

Budget 2021 saw a policy on public sector enterprises that identified those strategic sectors where only a minimum presence of public enterprises will be allowed. Equally, all areas are now open to private players. An enabling amendment to the General Insurance Act was done. In the insurance sector, 74 per cent foreign direct investment (FDI) is allowed through the automatic route. The Life Insurance Corporation (LIC) also goes out for an initial public offering (IPO).

A consent-based framework for account aggregation has been introduced. Bank customers can avail different financial services from a portal where several service providers will be available. Customers can share their data with their chosen service provider. This is a major step in financial inclusion and for access to credit.

Amendments to the Deposit Insurance and Credit Guarantee Corporation Act will provide ₹ 5 lakh insurance cover for small depositors. Moreover, 98.3

per cent of all deposits will get covered through this one step in case of any restrictions on the banks.

Writing recently on the “de Soto effect”, Niranjan Rajadhyaksha states: “[The] poor working in tiny informal enterprises are in effect shut out of the formal credit system, and hence condemned to live in poverty, because a lack of clear property rights makes it difficult for them to offer their land assets as collateral to banks.” The SVAMITVA scheme envisages mapping of land parcels using drone technology and providing record of rights to village land/house owners. The vicious cycle of poverty due to lack of credit availability is broken through this scheme. Three other schemes—the SVANidhi, MUDRA and Stand-Up India aim at collateral-free lending for small enterprises which are changing the lives of the poor keeping their dignity intact.

This and more is possible because the leadership remains connected to the people and its philosophy of Sab ka Saath. ■

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PM LAUNCHES AYUSHMAN BHARAT DIGITAL MISSION

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 27 September launched the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission through a video conference.

Speaking on the occasion, the Prime Minister said that the campaign of strengthening health facilities that have been going for the last seven years is entering a new phase today. “Today we are launching a mission that has the potential of bringing a revolutionary change in India’s health facilities”, said the Prime Minister.

The Prime Minister underlined the fact that with 130 crore Aadhaar numbers, 118 crore

mobile subscribers, about 80 crore internet users, about 43 crore Jan Dhan bank accounts, there is no such big connected infrastructure anywhere in the world. This digital infrastructure is bringing everything from ration to administration (Ration to Prashasan) to the common Indian in a fast and transparent manner. “The way technology is being deployed in governance reforms today is unprecedented”, said the Prime Minister.

The Prime Minister remarked that the Arogya Setu app helped a lot in preventing the spread of corona infection. He lauded Co-WIN for its role in making India

achieve a record administration of about 90 crore vaccine doses today, under the free vaccine campaign.

The Prime Minister remarked that Ayushman Bharat-PMJAY has addressed a key headache in the lives of the poor. So far more than 2 crore countrymen have availed the facility of free treatment under this scheme, half of which are women. The Prime Minister emphasized that diseases are one of the key reasons to push families into the vicious cycle of poverty and women of the families are the worst sufferers as they always relegate their health issues to the background. ■

FOR BENEFIT OF BACKWARD CLASS STUDENTS, MODI GOVERNMENT HAS GIVEN RESERVATION IN KV & MEDICAL COURSES: BHUPENDRA YADAV

Union Minister of Environment, Forest & Climate Change and Labor & Employment **Shri Bhupendra Yadav** interacted with Kamal Sandesh Associate Editors **Ram Prasad Tripathy & Sanjeev Kumar Sinha**, regarding Modi Government's initiatives for the benefit of the backward classes and issues relating to climate change and environment. Excerpts of the conversation:



The Modi government has taken many decisions in the interest of the backward class community. What will be the far-reaching consequences of these decisions?

The BJP Government at center believes in 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas'. In India, there was a long pending issue of giving constitutional validation to Backward Classes Commission and Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has taken this task and completed it. For the benefit of the backward classes, the government has also given reservation for students in Kendriya Vidyalayas, NEET examination and at universities level. The system of reservation was also implemented for single posts for Professor and other posts. Our party has a clear belief that the benefits of the provisions given under the Constitution should reach to all sections of the society.

The 7th Environment Ministers meeting of BRICS-2021 concluded recently. The ministers of BRICS countries adopted the 'New Delhi Statement' on Environment. Tell a little bit about it.

Climate change and related issues were discussed at the Environment Minister level of BRICS meeting. So far as India is concerned, the National NDC in India under the leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi has fulfilled its goals. India's efforts for alternative energy creation have been exemplary. Now 36% of India's current primary energy requirement is fulfilled through alternative energy sources or renewable energy. India has set a target of 450 GW by 2030, of which 165 GW has also been achieved. India's goal is ambitious, but exemplary effort has been made to address climate change.

Four more wetlands of India have been recognized as Ramsar sites from the Ramsar

Secretariat. How important is it in terms of preserving global bio diversity?

India certainly has the primary potential for wetlands. India is also unique in terms of bio diversity. Four of our wetlands have been recognized recently. We are also implementing a website for wetlands. The government is also working with full commitment to ensure that the natural wealth that India has should be fully protected.

Climate change remains a cause of global concern. Global initiatives were taken by India under the leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi to deal with it? How India is moving forward to achieve the goals of Paris Agreement?

India is the only country in the world which has achieved its NDC goals to fulfill the Paris Agreement target. In the field of solar energy, India has created the International Solar Alliance (ISA) and on the initiative of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, more than 91 countries of the world have become its members. The guidelines given by the Prime Minister from time to time regarding the apprehension of climate change are fully followed.

Recently, the E-Shram portal was launched by the central government. How will this help the unorganized workers in the country?

By unifying the various labor laws of the country, we have come up with four labor codes. Among those four labor codes are Social Security Code, Occupation Safety Code, Industrial Relation Code and Wages Code, in these four codes a provision has also been made in the Social Security Code that a data of workers in the unorganized sector should be made. Certainly this portal is playing an important role in taking the topic of social security forward. ■

BJP REGISTERS MASSIVE VICTORY IN CIVIC BODY ELECTIONS IN GUJARAT

The BJP on October 05, 2021 retained Gandhinagar Municipal Corporation with a massive win. Out of total 44 seats in the GMC, the BJP won 41, the Congress two and AAP bagged one seat. Counting of votes was also held for three other municipalities - Okha and Bhanvad in Devbhumi-Dwarka district, and Thara municipality of Banaskantha district. As per the final figures released by the SEC after counting of votes, the BJP won 20 out of 24 seats in Thara, while the Congress got only four seats. The BJP retained Okha municipality by winning 34 out of 36 seats, while two seats went to the Congress.

Congratulating Gujarat BJP, PM Shri Narendra Modi said that the results of the local body polls reaffirm the deep-rooted bond between the people of Gujarat and BJP. He also expressed gratitude towards the people of Gujarat for repeatedly blessing the party.

BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda thanked the people of Gujarat for the party's victory in Gandhinagar Municipal Corporation (GMC) elections. He also congratulated Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel and Gujarat BJP President Shri CR Paatil along with party workers.

In his Twitter message Shri Nadda said, "The BJP has got a huge majority in the Gujarat local body

elections and Gandhinagar Municipal Corporation elections. I thank the people of Gujarat for their continued support and blessings and congratulate Chief Minister @Bhupendrabjp, state unit President @CRPaatil and party workers for the unprecedented victory".

"I am sure that under the guidance of Modiji, the Gujarat government will continue to work like this for the welfare and development of the poor, backward and deprived sections of the state."

Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah congratulating Gujrat BJP said, "Heartfelt gratitude to the people of Gujarat and congratulations to all the hardworking Karyakartas for giving a landslide victory to the BJP in the by-elections of Gandhinagar Municipal Corporation as well as other municipal corporations, district and taluka panchayat seats.

On this historic victory, I also Congratulate to CM Shri @Bhupendrabjp, Gujrat BJP President Shri @CRPaatil and all Karyakartas of Gandhinagar and @BJP4Gujarat."

Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel congratulated the party workers and said everyone should try their best to win all 182 seats in the next assembly polls in Gujarat. ■

CITY / TOWN	Total Seats	Result Declare	BJP	Congress	Independent/Others
Gandhinagar Municipal Corporation	44	44	41	2	1
Thara Municipality	24	24	20	4	0
Okha Municipality	36	36	34	2	0
Bhanvad Municipality	24	24	8	16	0
TOTAL	128	128	103	24	1
BY-ELECTION	Total Seats	Result Declare	BJP	Congress	Independent/Others
Municipal council	3	3	2	1	0
District Council	8	8	5	3	0
Tehsil Parishad	48	45	28	14	3
Nagar Palika	45	45	37	3	5
TOTAL	104	101	72	21	8



MANN KI BAAT

TEAM INDIA IS MAKING NEW RECORDS EVERYDAY IN THE FIGHT AGAINST CORONA: PM

P Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 26 September addressed the nation through his 81st Episode of Radio Programme 'Mann Ki Baat'. He advised Indians to continue following COVID-19 related protocol and ensure high levels of vaccination against the disease ahead of the festival season. Prime Minister said regarding Vaccination that the country has made many such records which are being talked about the world over. He emphasized that every Indian has an important role in this fight we are publishing excerpts of the address for our esteemed readers:

- My dear countrymen, Namaskar. You are aware that for an important programme, I have to leave for America...hence I thought it would be apt to record Mann Ki Baat, prior to my departure to America. The day of Mann Ki Baat this September is important on another count, date wise. Routinely, we do remember a lot of days; we even celebrate myriad Days...and if you ask young sons-daughters at home, they are likely to furnish out an entire list of Days of the year with their chronological relevance! But, there is one more day that all of us must remember; this day is one that is immensely congruent to the traditions of India. It's one that connects us with our traditions that we have been following for centuries. That is – World Rivers Day.
- It has been articulated here – Pibanti Naddhah, Swayameva Naambha...meaning that rivers do not drink their own water...they give it away altruistically. For us, rivers are not mere physical entities; for us a river is a living unit...and that is exactly why we refer to rivers as Mother! Numerous festivals, festive occasions, functions of ours, occasions to rejoice take place in the very laps of these mothers.
- Earlier, at our homes, the elderly in the family would make children memorise the Shlok ...this also led to germinating Aastha, faith towards rivers in our country. It would inscribe an illustrated map of the great land of India on the psyche. That used to establish an emotional connect with rivers. It would result in nurturing a harmonious credence towards the very river that embodied the Mother, sentimentally as well as visually...as a way of life too! It was a way to instill 'Sanskaar'; the value system gamut.
- Friends, in order to rejuvenate rivers throughout the country; in order to cleanse waters, the government and social service organizations keep undertaking one endeavour or the other. And this is not about the present day; it is going on for decades now. There are some people who have dedicated themselves to these causes. And it is this very tradition, this very endeavour, this very faith that has saved our rivers.
- Friends, Bapu(Mahatma Gandhi) had connected cleanliness with independence; the same way he had made khadi the identity of freedom. Today in the 75 th year of freedom when we are celebrating

the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, we can say with satisfaction today that our young generation today is giving khadi the place of pride that khadi had during freedom struggle. Today the production of khadi and handloom has increased multiple times and its demand too has increased.

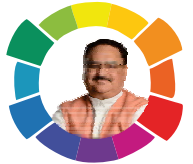
- Friends, in this period of Amrit Mahotsav, a campaign to disseminate to everyone the untold stories of the history of freedom is also going on... and for this, upcoming writers, youth of the country and the world were called upon. For this more than 13 thousand people have registered till now and that too in 14 different languages. And for me a thing of joy also is that non-resident Indians from more than 20 countries have expressed their wish to join this campaign.

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There is another interesting information- more than nearly 5000 upcoming writers are searching out tales of struggle for freedom. They have taken the lead to write something on those who are unsung heroes, who are un-named, whose names don't appear on the pages of history, on the theme of such unsung heroes, on their lives, on those events, that is the youth of the country have decided to bring forth the history of those freedom fighters who were not even discussed during the last 75 years. I appeal to all the listeners; I appeal to all those connected with the field of education. You too motivate the youth. You too come forward and it is my firm belief that during the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence the people who are working for writing history will make history as well. ■



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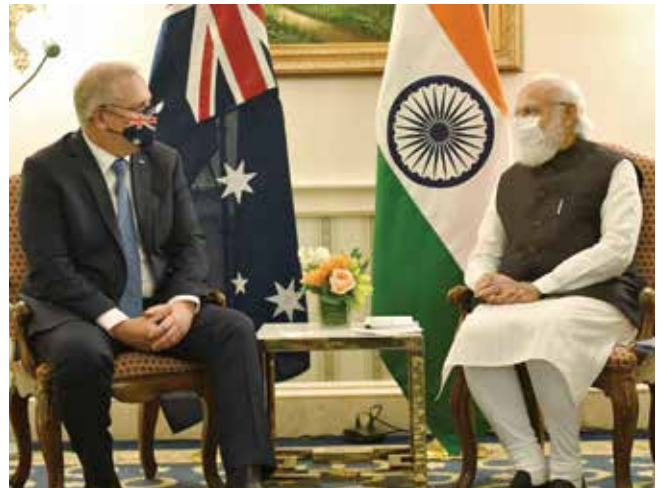
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Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi being greeted by the Indian Community on his arrival in USA



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressing the 76th session of United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in New York, USA



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi in a Bilateral Meeting with the Prime Minister of Australia, Mr. Scott Morrison in Washington DC, US



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inspects the construction works of new Parliament building in New Delhi



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi paying homage at the Samadhi of Mahatma Gandhi at Rajghat and paying tributes to Lal Bahadur Shastri, at Vijay Ghat, on there Jayanti in Delhi



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Data till October 4, 2021
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'MAKE IN INDIA'
STRENGTHENING INDIA'S EXPORTS

Category	Sept 2020	Sept 2021	Change
Merchandise exports	\$27.56 billion	\$33.44 billion	21.35%
Non-petroleum exports	\$24.03 billion	\$28.53 billion	18.72%

Source: Govt of India

MODI GOVERNMENT ENSURING CLEAN DRINKING WATER TO EVERY HOUSEHOLD

Aims to provide pure water from tap to all rural households by 2024

Piped connections provided

17% rural households covered
3.8 crore (Aug 2019)

42% rural households covered
8.2 crore (Sep 2021)

Source: Government of India