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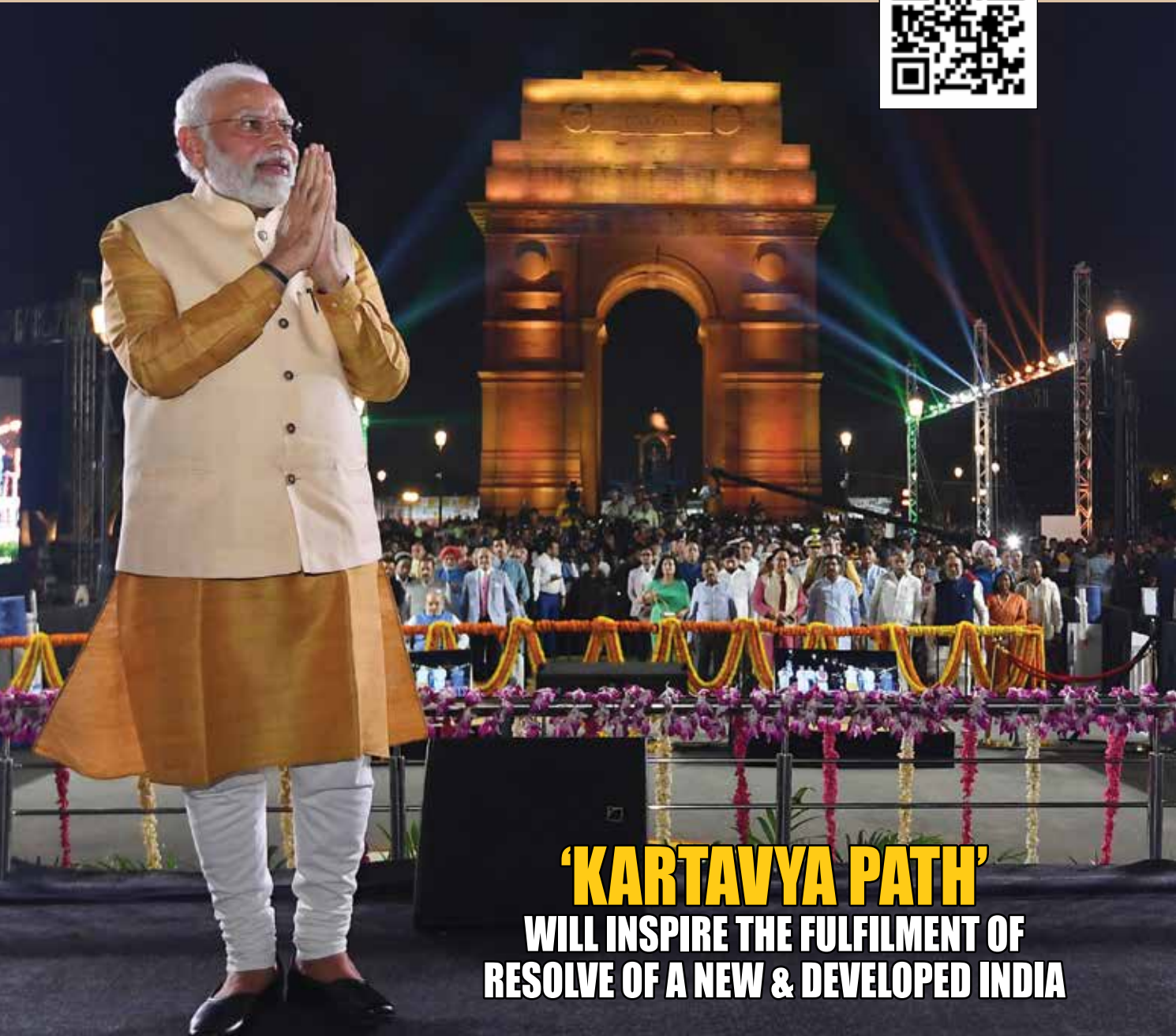
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'KARTAVYA PATH' ECHOES MANTRA OF 'NATION FIRST'

As 'Rajpath' turns into 'Kartavya Path', the nation moves forward to fulfil its commitment to 'panch pran'. The celebrations on the occasion of the renaming of Rajpath along with the installation of the statue of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose at the India Gate canopy remind us of the emergence of a 'New India' which is looking forward to overcoming every kind of challenge in the 'Amrit Kaal'. The glittering ceremony watched by millions across the nation has filled the nation with new enthusiasm and zeal to make its mark globally with a newfound energy and dynamism. Amid a festive atmosphere and the singing of inspirational songs set to the tunes of Indian musical instruments, the historic occasion was addressed by the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, who elaborated on the vision of a developed India, confident of meeting the aspirations of the people. The occasion marks a huge turning point in the history of the nation wherein a 'New India' through its actions seeks to march forward on the strength of its own while heralding a new era of national reconstruction.

It is highly unfortunate to note that even after 75 years of independence, many symbols of slavery still exist in the country and are even glorified by some forces who want to stop the onward march of the Indian nation.

The name 'Rajpath' which was the Hindi translation of the colonial 'Kingsway', indicated a mindset that wanted to rule over the people while the name 'Kartavyapath' reminds the citizens of the duty expected of them in realising the dreams of a developed India

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, in his address to the nation from the ramparts of the Red Fort on Independence Day, has called on the nation to commit to 'panch pran' in the coming 25 years of the 'Amrit Kaal'. Among the five 'pran', he clearly called for removing every trace of the colonial mindset while pursuing the goal of developed India. In the actions of the Modi government, one can see continuous efforts aimed at getting rid of the symbols of slavery. While Rajpath has been renamed as 'Kartavya Path' and Netaji statue occupies the place where the King George V statue was placed, many more initiatives have already been taken to pave the path of a 'New India'. The renaming of Race Course Road to 'Lok Kalyan Marg', the echo of Indian patriotic songs at the Beating Retreat ceremony, the adoption of the symbol of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj by the Indian Navy by removing the ensign of slavery; the building of the National War Memorial, the change in time and date of the presentation of the Indian Budget, which had followed the times of the British Parliament for so many decades; liberating the

students from the compulsion of foreign language through NEP; and the abolition of many obsolete colonial laws are some of the initiatives taken by the Modi government to get rid of the slave mentality that has haunted India for so many decades.

While one of the 'panch pran' calls for removing all traces of the colonial mindset, another one calls for taking pride in the nation's roots and the great legacy of India. It is in pursuance of this pledge that the legacy of the freedom movement, by building the Statue of Unity, renaming the islands of Andaman after Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose, building PM museum, museum for Tribal freedom fighters, Babasaheb's 'Panchtirtha', imparting grandeur to cultural and civilizational centres across India are some of the efforts which are not only creating a robust cultural infrastructure in the country by modernising India with the spirit of 'Amrit Kaal'. The name 'Rajpath' which was the Hindi translation of the colonial 'Kingsway', indicated a mindset that wanted to rule over the people while the name 'Kartavyapath' reminds the citizens of the duty expected of them in realising the dreams of a developed India. In his 'panch pran', the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, has immensely emphasised the importance of inculcating a strong sense of duty towards the nation. There is no doubt that the entire stretch from the National War Memorial to Kartavya Path and Rashtrapati Bhawan will fill the people with new inspiration, sense of duty, and energy and echo the mantra of 'Nation First' in everyone's heart. ■

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PM INAUGURATES 'KARTAVYA PATH' AND UNVEILS THE STATUE OF NETAJI SUBHAS CHANDRA BOSE AT INDIA GATE

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the 'Kartavya Path' and also unveiled the statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose at India Gate, New Delhi on 08 September, 2022. It symbolizes a shift from erstwhile 'Rajpath' being an icon of power, to 'Kartavya Path' being an example of public ownership and empowerment. These steps are in line with PM Shri Narendra Modi's second 'Panch Pran' for New India in Amrit Kaal: 'remove any trace of colonial mindset'.

Over the years, Rajpath and adjoining areas of the Central Vista Avenue had been witnessing pressure of increasing traffic of visitors, putting stress on its infrastructure. It lacked basic amenities like public toilets, drinking water, street furniture and adequate parking space. Further, there was inadequate signage, poor maintenance of water features and haphazard parking. Also, a need was felt to organise the Republic Day parade and other National events less disruptively with minimal restrictions on public movement. The redevelopment was initiated by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and has been done in a time bound manner bearing these concerns in mind while ensuring the integrity and continuity of architectural character.

'Kartavya Path' will exhibit beautified landscapes, lawns with walkways, added green spaces, refurbished canals, new amenity blocks, improved signages and vending kiosks. Further, new pedestrian underpasses, improved parking spaces, new exhibition panels and upgraded night lighting are some other features that will enhance the public experience. It also includes a number of sustainability features like solid waste management, storm water management, recycling of used water, rainwater harvesting, water conservation and energy-efficient lighting systems, among others.

The statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, which was unveiled by Prime Minister Shri Modi, is installed in the same place where a hologram statue of Netaji was unveiled earlier this year on Parakram Diwas, January 23 by him. The granite statue is a fitting tribute to the immense contribution of Netaji to our freedom struggle and would be a symbol of the country's indebtedness to him. Crafted by Shri Arun Yogiraj, who was the main sculptor, the 28 feet tall statue has been carved from a monolithic granite stone and weighs 65 MT.



RAJPATH, THE SYMBOL OF SLAVERY, HAS BECOME A MATTER OF HISTORY

Addressing the gathering, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said that in the time of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav the nation felt a new inspiration and energy. “Today, we are filling the picture of tomorrow with new colours, leaving behind the past. Today, this new aura is visible everywhere, it is the aura of confidence of New India”, he said. “Kingsway i.e. Rajpath, the symbol of slavery, has become a matter of history from today and has been erased forever. Today, a new history has been created in the form of ‘Kartavya Path’. I congratulate all the countrymen for their freedom from yet another identity of slavery, in this Amrit Kaal of independence.”

The Prime Minister said that today a huge statue of our national hero Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose has also been installed near India Gate. “At the time of slavery, there was a statue of the representative of the British Raj. Today, the country has also brought to life a modern, strong India by establishing the statue of Netaji at the same place”, he added. Recalling the greatness of Netaji, Shri Modi said, “Subhas Chandra Bose was such a great man who was beyond the challenge of position and resources. His acceptance was such that the whole world considered him a leader. He had courage and self-respect. He had ideas, he had visions. He had leadership abilities and had policies.”

NETAJI, WANTED TO MAKE INDIA MODERN

He said that no country should forget its glorious past. India’s glorious history is in every Indian’s blood and tradition. Netaji, the Prime Minister reminded, was proud of India’s heritage and at the same time, he wanted to make India modern. “If after independence India had followed the path of Subhash Babu, what heights would the country be at today! But unfortunately, this great hero of ours was forgotten after independence. His ideas, even the symbols associated with them, were ignored”, the Prime Minister lamented.

He recalled the visit to Netaji’s residence in Kolkata on the occasion of Netaji’s 125th birth anniversary and remembered the energy that he felt at that time. “It is our effort that Netaji’s energy should guide the country today. Netaji’s statue on the ‘Kartavya Path’

ABANDONMENT OF SLAVERY MENTALITY

Reiterating the nation’s commitment to ‘Panch Pran’ the Prime Minister said :

- Today India’s ideals and dimensions are its own.
- Today India’s resolve is its own and its goals are its own. Today, our paths are ours, our symbols are our own.
- Today, when the ‘Rajpath’ ceases to exist and has become a ‘Kartavya Path’.
- Today, when the statue of Netaji has replaced the mark of the statue of George V, then this is not the first example of the abandonment of slavery mentality.
- This is neither the beginning nor the end. It is a continuous journey of determination till the goal of freedom of mind and spirit is achieved.
- The PM also talked of significant changes like the change of the name of the PM Residence to ‘Lok Kalyan Marg’ in place of Racecourse road.
- Indian musical instruments in ceremonies of Independence Day and Beating the Retreat ceremony.
- He also referred to the change of ensign by the Indian Navy from colonial to the ensign of Chhatrapati Shivaji.
- Similarly, the National War memorial also represents the glory of the country, he added.
- The Prime Minister said that these changes are not confined to the symbols but have also infused the policies of the country too.
- Today the country has changed hundreds of laws that have been going on since the British era.
- The time and date of the Indian Budget, which was following the times of the British Parliament for so many decades, have also been changed.
- Through the National Education Policy, now the youth of the country are being liberated from the compulsion of foreign language.
- That means, both the thinking and the behavior of the countrymen are freed from the mentality of slavery.

PM MODI EXPRESSES SPECIAL GRATITUDE TOWARD SHRAMIKS & LABOURERS

The Prime Minister expressed special gratitude toward the shramiks and the labourers not just for the physical contribution to the redevelopment of Kartavya Path but also for the height of their labour which is a living and breathing example of Kartavya toward the nation. Talking about his meeting with the Shramjeevis, the Prime Minister praised the dream of the nation's glory that they carry in their hearts.



Shramjeevis of Central Vista will be PM's special guests on Republic Day



The Shramjeevis of Central Vista and their families will be Prime Minister's special guests on the next Republic Day Parade. The Prime Minister expressed happiness that today, there is a tradition of respect for Shram (labour) and Shramjeevi (workers) in the country. He emphasized that with sensitivity in policies, there is sensitivity in decisions and 'Shramev Jayate' is becoming a mantra for the nation. He recalled instances of interactions with workers in Kashi Vishwanath Dham, Vikrant, and Prayagraj Kumbh. Workers working on the new Parliament Building will get a place of honour in one of the galleries, he informed.

will become a medium for that", he said.

The Prime Minister said, "In the last eight years, we have taken many such decisions one after the other, which are imprinted with the ideals and dreams of Netaji. Netaji Subhash was the first head of Akhand Bharat, who freed Andaman before 1947 and hoisted the Tricolour. At that time he had imagined what it would be like to hoist the Tricolour at the Red Fort. I personally experienced this feeling, when I had the privilege of hoisting the Tricolour at the Red Fort on the occasion of 75 years of the Azad Hind government." He also talked about the museum dedicated to Netaji and the Azad Hind Fauz in the Red Fort. He also remembered the Republic Day Parade in 2019 when a contingent of Azad Hind Fauz also marched, a long-awaited honour for the veterans. Similarly, the identity and their association in the Andaman Islands were also strengthened.

KARTAVYA PATH, NOT JUST A ROAD OF BRICKS AND STONES

The Prime Minister emphasized that the Kartavya Path is not just a road of bricks and stones but a living example of India's democratic past and all-time ideals. He reiterated that when the people of the country come here, the statue of Netaji and the National War Memorial will be a source of great inspiration and it will fill them with a sense of duty. The Prime Minister highlighted that on the contrary, the Rajpath was for the British Raj who considered the people of India as slaves. He stressed that the emotion and structure of the Rajpath were a symbol of slavery, but today with the change in architecture, its spirit is also transformed. This Kartavya Path stretching from the National War Memorial to Rashtrapati Bhawan will be vibrant with a sense of duty, he added.





WORKING ON CULTURAL, PHYSICAL, DIGITAL INFRASTRUCTURE

The Prime Minister said that India of today is working on cultural infrastructure along with physical, digital, and transport infrastructure. For Social infrastructure, he gave examples of new AIIMS and medical colleges, IITs, water connections, and Amrit Sarovars. Rural roads and the record number of modern expressways, railways and metro networks, and new airports are expanding transport infrastructure in an unprecedented manner. Optical fiber to panchayats and records of digital payments has made India's digital infrastructure a topic of global appreciation. Talking about cultural infrastructure, the Prime Minister said that it does not mean just the infrastructure associated with the places of faith but also includes infrastructure related to our history, our national heroes and our national heritage.

He said that the development of such sites is also taking place with equal urgency. "Be it Sardar Patel's Statue of Unity or a museum dedicated to tribal freedom fighters, PM Museum or Babasaheb Ambedkar Memorial, National War Memorial or National Police Memorial, these are examples of cultural infrastructure", the Prime Minister added.

Shri Modi further elaborated that they define our culture as a nation. It defines what our values are, and how we are protecting them. The Prime Minister stressed that an aspirational India can make rapid progress only by giving impetus to social infrastructure, transport infrastructure, digital infrastructure and cultural infrastructure as a whole. "I am happy that today, the country is getting another great example of cultural infrastructure in the form of

Kartavya Path", the Prime Minister added.

KARTAVYA PATH WILL CREATE A FLOW OF DUTY IN THE COUNTRY

In concluding his address, the Prime Minister called upon every citizen of the country and sent out an open invitation to come and see this newly constructed Kartavya Path in all its glory. "In its development, you will see the India of the future. The energy here will give you a new vision for our vast nation, a new belief", the Prime Minister said.

Shri Modi also mentioned the drone show based on the life of Netaji Subhash that will take place for the next three days. The Prime Minister also urged the citizens to visit and take pictures which can be uploaded on social media with the hashtag #KartavyaPath. "I know this entire area is the heartbeat of

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the people of Delhi, and a large number of people come with their families to spend time in the evening. The planning, designing and lighting of the Kartavya Path has also been done keeping this in mind" he said. "I believe that this inspiration of Kartavya Path will create a flow of duty in the country and this flow will take us to the fulfilment of the resolve of a new and developed India," the Prime Minister said.

Union Minister of Housing and Urban Affairs Shri Hardeep Singh Puri, Union Minister of Tourism Shri G Kishan Reddy, Union Ministers of State of Culture of India, Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal and Smt Meenakshi Lekhi and Union Minister of State of Housing and Urban Affairs, Shri Kaushal Kishore were present on the dais. The programme was attended by BJP National President Shri JP Nadda, Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah among other dignitaries. ■



PM'S TWO-DAY KERALA VISIT

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi began his two-day visit to Kerala on 01 September, 2022 by inaugurating a slew of development projects in the state and addressing a huge public meeting at Nedumbassery Cochin. The highlight of PM's Kerala visit was commissioning of India's first indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant in Kochi, inauguration of the Phase-I extension of the Kochi Metro Rail Project and laying the foundation stone for the Phase-II stretch. Shri Narendra Modi also visited Sri Adi Shankara Janma Bhoomi Kshetram at Kalady village near Cochin during his visit.

MASSIVE PUBLIC MEETING AT NEDUMBASSERY

Providing fundamental facilities to every citizen is Centre's biggest priority: PM Modi

Addressing a massive public meeting at Nedumbassery near Cochin on 01 September 2022, the Prime Minister said the central government is working to provide homes to the poor and homeless.

- Shri Narendra Modi said the biggest priority of the union government is to provide fundamental facilities to every citizen of the country and build modern infrastructure.
- Under 'Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana', two lakh houses have been approved and more than 1.30 lakh have been completed in Kerala, he noted.
- Shri Modi further said the Centre has spent around Rs 1 lakh crore on various projects in the southern state.
- The central government is working to open at least one medical college in every district, and it will hugely benefit the youth of Kerala.
- To develop modern infrastructure, the BJP government is spending around Rs 1 lakh crore on multiple projects in Kerala.

PM LAUNCHES PROJECTS OF KOCHI METRO & INDIAN RAILWAYS IN KOCHI

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 01 September, 2022 laid the foundation stone and dedicated to the nation various projects of Kochi Metro and Indian Railways worth around Rs 4500 crore in Kochi.

Addressing the gathering, Shri Modi said that every

nook and corner of Kerala is filled with the joy of the holy festival of Onam. He congratulated everybody for these projects that enhance the Ease of Living and the Ease of Doing Business. "On this auspicious occasion, Kerala has been gifted with connectivity projects worth more than Rs 4600 crore", he said.

Remarking on the Azadi ka Amrit Kaal, the Prime Minister said today, the Phase I extension of the Kochi Metro is being inaugurated and the foundation stone for the second phase of the Kochi Metro is also being laid. The Prime Minister said that the second phase of the Kochi Metro is going to be a boon for the youth and professionals.

Remarking on the long-standing demand of lakhs of devotees, the Prime Minister said it is a joyous occasion for devotees of Sabarimala from across the country and the world who wish to visit the shrine. "The doubling of the Ettumanoor-Chingavanam-Kottayam track will greatly facilitate the darshan of Lord Ayyappa", the PM added.



PM VISITS SRI ADISHANKARA JANMABHUMI



‘Future generations will be indebted to Adi Shankaracharya’

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, who on 02 September, 2022 offered prayers at the birthplace of great saint and propagator of Advaita Vad Adi Shankaracharya, said that generations to come will be indebted to the latter for his contributions to protect our culture. In a late night tweet, after offering prayers at the saint’s birthplace- Adi Shankara Janma Bhoomi Kshetram at Kalady village in Ernakulam district, the PM said he felt very blessed to be there.

“I feel very blessed to be at the Sri Adishankara Janmabhumi Kshetram. It is indeed a special place. Generations to come will remain indebted to the great Adi Shankaracharya for his rich contribution towards protecting our culture,” Shri Modi tweeted. The PM Shri Modi had spent 45 minutes there and participated in rituals. Wearing a traditional attire of Kerala, he had offered prayers at the temple. He had recalled the contributions of the saint philosopher to India and said the legacy Adi Shankara, known for the philosophy of Advaita, established was taken forward from Kerala by various spiritual leaders and social reformers like Sree Narayana Guru, Chattampi Swamikal and Ayyankali.

PM COMMISSIONS INS VIKRANT

“INS VIKRANT IS A UNIQUE REFLECTION OF INDIA BECOMING SELF-RELIANT”

Commissioning the first indigenous aircraft carrier INS VIKRANT on 02 September, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said on the coast of Kerala, every Indian is witnessing the sunrise of a new future. This event being held on the INS Vikrant is a tribute to the rising spirits of India on the world horizon. He said we are seeing a manifestation of the dream of the freedom fighters where they envisioned a capable and strong India.

Shri Modi said “Vikrant is huge, massive, and vast. Vikrant is distinguished, Vikrant is also special. Vikrant is not just a warship. This is a testament to the hard work, talent, influence and commitment of India in the 21st century. If the goals are distant, the journeys are long, the ocean and the challenges are endless – and then India’s answer is Vikrant. The incomparable ‘Amrit’ of Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav is Vikrant. Vikrant is a unique reflection of India becoming self-reliant.”

The PM said, “No challenge is too difficult for today’s India. Today, India has joined those countries in the world, which manufacture such a huge aircraft carrier with indigenous technology. Today INS Vikrant has filled the country with a new confidence, and has created a new confidence in the country.”

ABOUT INS VIKRANT

- INS Vikrant is designed by Indian Navy’s Warship Design Bureau and built by Cochin Shipyard Ltd.
- Vikrant has been built with state of the art automation features and is the largest ship ever built in maritime history of India.
- The Indigenous Aircraft Carrier is named after its illustrious predecessor, India’s first Aircraft Carrier which had played a vital role in the 1971 war.
- It has a large number of indigenous equipment and machinery, involving major industrial houses in the country as well as over 100 MSMEs.
- With the commissioning of Vikrant, India will have two operational Aircraft Carriers, which will bolster the maritime security of the nation.
- During the event, the Prime Minister also unveiled the new Naval Ensign (Nishaan), doing away with the colonial past and befitting the rich Indian maritime heritage. ■

KCR's departure certain in Telangana: JP Nadda



The third phase of the “Prajā Sangrama Yatra” under the leadership of Telangana BJP President Shri Bandi Sanjay Kumar was concluded with a massive public meeting at the Hanamkonda town in Telangana on 27 August, 2022. The State BJP President covered a total of 1,121 km across 41 Assembly constituencies in 18 districts of the state during the first, second and third phases of the Yatra together. The BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, Union Minister of Tourism, Culture and Development of North Eastern Region Shri G Kishan Reddy, Telangana BJP President Shri Bandi Sanjay Kumar and other senior leaders also addressed the rally.

KCR'S DEPARTURE IS CERTAIN

While addressing the mammoth rally, BJP National President Shri JP Nadda said the motive behind the “Prajā Sangram Yatra” was to take Telangana out of the darkness of TRS and bring hope amongst the people. The motive behind this Yatra is to sensitize and build a people's movement against the highly corrupt TRS government.

The BJP National President said the massive success of the Yatra made it crystal clear that the people of Telangana have made up their mind to uproot the highly corrupt government and will bring BJP to power in Telangana.

Shri Nadda said, “You may recall that a few months ago the KCR government had arrested State BJP President Shri Bandi Sanjay Kumar in a highly undemocratic manner, and then I came to the state to get him released. That time also I was stopped at the airport on the pretext of the Corona Pandemic”. Telangana was ruled by Nizams, the last Nizam was Usman Ali Khan whose last diktat was -- Ghasti Nisan 53. It meant that no one can organize public meetings in Telangana, no one can give speeches, no one can

open school and no one can run a newspaper. But Mir Usman Ali Khan forgot that it was his last diktat. Today, I want to tell Nizam KCR that your “Prohibitory Orders” will be your last diktat. Your departure is certain now, the BJP National President added.

Shri Nadda said democracy is in danger in Telangana due to KCR's actions. Hence, in the coming elections people of Telangana will send him home and bring BJP to power.

MODI GOVT. WORKS FOR EMPOWERMENT OF DALITS, WOMEN, YOUTH, FARMERS AND WEAKER SECTIONS

BJP National President Shri JP Nadda said that the Modi government is implementing host of schemes for the empowerment of Dalits, women, youth, farmers and other weaker sections of the society. Contrarily, KCR was diverting funds provided under the schemes of the Central government and giving his name to the Central schemes.

He said the Centre sanctioned Rs 377 crore for relief works in food-hit 11 districts and released Rs 188 crore but KCR did not provide any help to the victims.

IF KERALA HAS A FUTURE, IT IS BJP: AMIT SHAH

The Union Home and Cooperation Minister, Shri Amit Shah addressed the BJP Scheduled Caste (SC) conference in Thiruvananthapuram, Kerala on 03 September, 2022 and appreciated the works of Kerala BJP for organizing this grand convention. To work all over the country BJP needs only patriotism but to work in Kerala, it needs patriotism, sacrifice and bravery; so, I congratulate the workers of Kerala BJP, Shri Shah said.

Launching a scathing attack on Congress and Communists he said the communists and Congress party have never done anything for the welfare of the scheduled caste (SC) and tribes and treated them as vote-banks only. Therefore, except for Bharatiya Janata Party there is no hope for Kerala. "Congress is disappearing from the country; the world is getting rid of communist parties. If Kerala has a future, it is BJP" Shri Amit Shah added.

The Union Home Minister challenged Congress and the Communist parties to come forward and explain what they have done for the downtrodden communities so far. He also listed out the welfare schemes and policies of the Modi government for the Dalits, the SC and ST communities.

He further said, "We saw terrorists from Pakistan attacking our soldiers at Uri and Pulwama. The Congress never did anything about any such terrorist threats to this country. But PM Shri Narendra Modi gave



them a befitting reply by conducting surgical strikes on Pakistan".

He said that when we formed the government at the Center with absolute majority and with immense love of the people, we made Shri Ram Nath Kovind from the Dalit community as the President of the country. In our second term, we helped Smt. Draupadi Murmu to become the President of the country.

Shri Amit Shah further said, "Dr. Ambedkar did not get Bharat Ratna until the Congress was in power. When they were voted out, Baba Saheb was awarded Bharat Ratna." The Central government led by PM Shri Modi also renovated and constructed the 'Panch Teerth' in the memory of Baba Saheb Dr. Ambedkar. ■

Centre provided Rs 3,982 crore under 'Jal Jeevan Mission' but Telangana spent only Rs 200 crore. Under the 'Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojna' the funds sent by the Narendra Modi Government to Telangana are being misused and wasted, causing major loss to the people of the state.

BJP FIRST PARTY WHICH SUPPORTED FOR A SEPARATE TELANGANA

The Bharatiya Janata Party was the first party which openly supported creation of a separate Telangana state. KCR had promised that every year in September the state will celebrate 'Liberation Day'. But now he is so busy playing his politics of appeasement that he has forgotten all his promises. Under the pressure of

Majlis KCR has forgotten to celebrate 'Liberation Day' which symbolizes end of Nizam rule Shri Nadda said.

He further said once the Bharatiya Janata Party government is formed in Telangana, every September we will celebrate 'Liberation Day', as an official function.

TRS MADE ALL OUT EFFORTS TO STALL THE YATRA: BANDI SANJAY

Addressing the Yatra, Telangana BJP President Shri Bandi Sanjay Kumar said people from all walks of life expressed their resentment against the all out efforts of the ruling TRS to stall the third phase of the Padayatra. He said the BJP cadres will not be cowed down by the illegal arrests and lathi-charges. ■

'MODI GOVERNMENT HAS TAKEN HISTORIC INITIATIVES FOR DEVELOPMENT OF TRIBAL COMMUNITY'

BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda on a two-day Pravas reached Agartala on 28 August 2022, where he was accorded a grand welcome by the party leaders and Karyakartas. Chief Minister of Tripura Shri Manik Saha, Deputy CM Shri Jishnu Dev Varma, BJP State President Shri Rajib Bhattacharjee, and Ministers in the state government, senior BJP leaders and thousands of Karyakartas welcomed Shri Nadda at the airport. With state BJP leaders, local Booth Presidents and Booth karyakartas Shri JP Nadda also attended Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's 'Mann Ki Baat' listening programme at the Airport. During his Pravas, Shri Nadda chaired a meeting with State BJP Office Bearers, State Morcha Presidents, BJP Janajati MLAs and MDCs in Agartala. On the next day, the BJP National President addressed a Press Conference at BJP Party Office in Udaipur and addressed the 'Janjatiya Janasabha' at Khwumlung in Tripura.

'JANJATIYA JANASABHA' AT KHWUMLUNG

Addressing the 'Janjatiya Janasabha', BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda said if anyone has truly recognised the problems and issues of our Tribal society and seriously addressed their issues related to water, forests, land rights, health and education, their Tribal culture and

Congress party and Communist governments which promoted terrorism, corruption and created havoc on the people of the state. Now there is double engine government of BJP which is working very hard for the welfare and development of the people. Today, this change is clearly visible in Tripura.

The BJP National President said after 75 years of independence, the BJP government under the dynamic leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi is the only government, which has taken historic initiatives for the empowerment and all round development of the Tribal community. He said:

- For the first time, a woman from the Tribal society, Smt. Draupadi Murmu ji, occupies India's highest Constitutional position as its President. It is a matter of great honour not just for the Tribal communities but for every Indian.
- For the first time in the history of India PM Shri Modi inducted eight members of Tribal society in the Union Cabinet. There are five members from the Tribal society who are Ministers in the BJP government in Tripura.
- 75 years after our Independence the 'National Institute for Tribals' has been established.
- No one seriously cared and honoured our great Tribal leaders but Modi ji decided to celebrate November 15 as 'Janjatiya Gaurav Diwas' in the honour and memory of renowned Tribal freedom fighter Bhagwan Birsa Munda.
- After 64 years the Union government has greatly



traditions, it is only and only Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. The second name of Tribal welfare and the development and progress of our Tribal society is the Bharatiya Janata Party, and the torch bearer of this revolution and massive change is PM Shri Narendra Modi.

Shri Nadda said Tripura was once ruled by the

reduced the use of the Armed Forces Special Power Act and has restored the rights of our Tribal brothers and sisters and the life and dignity of our Tribal society has been restored.

- The Modi Government has increased the budget for education of Tribal students from Rs 11,000 crores to Rs 42,000 crores.
- For the scholarships of Tribal students the Narendra Modi Government is spending Rs 2500 crores. Similarly, the budget for Tribal sub-plan has also been increased from Rs 21,000 crores to Rs 86,000 crores.
- Under the Jal Jivan Mission, the Modi Government is providing water to households to over 1.20 crore Tribal families across the country.
- Likewise, under the 'Ayushman Bharat Yojna' free medical insurance facility and health coverage is being provided to 1.70 crore Tribal families.
- The benefits of 'Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojna' is being provided to around three crore farmers belonging to the Tribal communities.

Shri JP Nadda said this is the level of commitment and dedication for our Tribal communities of the Narendra Modi Government.

TRIPURA WILL BLESS US AGAIN WITH TWO-THIRD MAJORITY'

Addressing a press conference on the second day of Pravas, the BJP National President said the people of Tripura will again bless us and give two-third majority in the state assembly and the BJP will once again form the Government in Tripura.

Earlier, the entire North-East used to suffer due to terrorism, infiltration, bandh and protests, economic blockades, drug trafficking, corruption and caste based tensions. But now the entire region has changed and transformed as PM Shri Modi has made this region a hub of development.

Shri Nadda said landless workers of tea gardens are being given land rights and ownership of land by the BJP government in Tripura which is a historic step. In Tripura strong foundations have been laid for truce and peace in the state due to agreements with NLFT and Bru-Reang and a settlement has been reached with the agreement of all the sections. He said the double engine government will take Tripura to the newer and greater heights of growth and development. ■

BJP STATE IN-CHARGE & CO-INCHARGE APPOINTED

Bharatiya Janata Party National President Shri JP Nadda has appointed party in-charge (Prabhari) and co-incharge (Saha Prabhari) in different states on 9 September, 2022. The list is as follows:

STATES	PRABHARI	SAHA PRABHARI
Bihar	Shri Vinod Tawde	Shri Harish Dwivedi, MP
Chhattisgarh	Shri Om Mathur	Shri Nitin Nabin, MLA
Dadra and Nagar Haveli, Daman and Diu	Shri Vinod Sonkar, MP	--
Haryana	Shri Biplab Kumar Deb	--
Jharkhand	Shri Laxmikant Bajpai, MP	--
Kerala	Shri Prakash Javadekar, MP	Shri Radha Mohan Agarwal, MP
Lakshadweep	Dr Radha Mohan Agarwal, MP	--
Madhya Pradesh	Shri P. Muralidhar Rao	Smt. Pankaja Munde & Shri Ram Shankar Katheria, MP
Punjab	Shri Vijaybhai Rupani, MLA	Dr. Narinder Singh Raina
Telangana	Shri Tarun Chugh	Shri Arvind Menon
Chandigarh	Shri Vijaybhai Rupani, MLA	--
Rajasthan	Shri Arun Singh, MP	Smt. Vijaya Rahatkar
Tripura	Dr. Mahesh Sharma, MP	--
West Bengal	Shri Mangal Pandey, MLC	Shri Amit Malviya & Sushri Asha Lakra
North-East states	Dr. Sambit Patra, Co-ordinator	Shri Rituraj Sinha Joint Co-ordinator

'TODAY, HARYANA IS EXCELLING IN ALL MAJOR SPORTING EVENTS ACROSS THE WORLD'

BJP National President Shri JP Nadda addressed the Amrit Kal Sankalp rally at Kaithal in Haryana on 02 September, 2022. Haryana Chief Minister Shri Manohar Lal Khattar and party State President Shri OP Dhankar also addressed the Sankalp rally.



2014 and 2019 are a rejection of the vote bank of caste politics. Congress had divided people on the basis of caste, religion and region, but the BJP has united the people, he said.

Strongly fought with Covid Pandemic: With relentless efforts of PM Shri Narendra

Modi, India strengthened its health infrastructure during Covid Pandemic. The country fought strongly with the pandemic and overcame the crisis. Earlier, it took decades for the vaccines of different diseases to come to India. Now we not only administered vaccines to our people, but also supplied to various countries in need. It happened because you pressed the right button during elections, said Shri Nadda.

Opposition parties promoting dynastic politics: Targeting the opposition parties for promoting dynastic politics, he said the majority of the opposition parties are limited to families. He said BJP is the party which has democracy, while the Congress is limited to a party of brother and sister. He said BJP takes care of all section of the society as it has democracy, while the Congress is no more a national or regional party, but has been limited to brother-sister party. Even senior Congress leader Ghulam Nabi Azad, after quitting the party, has raised question over leadership.

Citing examples of Samajwadi Party (SP), DMK, Shiv Sena, TMC, RJD, PDP, SAD and others, he said that these were limited to families and now Congress has become a family party. The leaders of these parties' are on bail and facing corruption charges, how can they get rid the society from corruption, Shri Nadda questioned.

BJP united the people: BJP National President said that PM Shri Narendra Modi's victories in

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Haryana government is working for welfare of the people: Praising Chief Minister Shri Manohar Lal Khattar, Shri JP Nadda said the state government is working towards the welfare of the people and implementing schemes with responsibility and transparency which has brought a change. Haryana is working extraordinary in various schemes like implementation of Soil Health Cards, providing benefits under Ayushman cards, providing electricity and others.

Haryana excelling in all major sporting events: Today, Olympics means Haryana, Paralympics means Haryana, Asian Games means Haryana, Commonwealth Games means Haryana. Today, the sports persons from Haryana are excelling in all major sporting events across the world, thus keeping the head of our country high and making all citizens proud. A total of eight sports centers have been opened in Haryana, Shri Nadda said. ■

BJP NATIONAL PRESIDENT RELEASES 'AMRITKAL KA SANKALP'

BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda released the booklet 'Amritkal Ka Sankalp' published by the party at BJP National Head quarters in New Delhi on 07 September 2022. On the occasion, Dr. Shiv Shakti Nath Bakshi also presented a copy of 'Kamal Sandesh' to Shri Nadda.

The 'Amritkal Ka Sankalp' booklet contains the Presidential Address, the address of the Hon'ble Prime Minister, full text of both the resolutions, and speeches of both the proposers and the seconders of these resolutions. Furthermore,



the statement issued by the BJP on the state of Telangana and a brief description of the proceedings of the meeting are also published. It is certainly worth a good read for our esteemed readers. ■

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PANDITJI KNOWN FOR PRINCIPLE BASED POLITICS & SELFLESS SERVICE



PANDIT DEVENDRA SHASTRI
DATE OF BIRTH: 20 MAY 1921
YEARS ACTIVE: 1951 - 2012
BIJNOR, UTTAR PRADESH AND
DEHRADUN, UTTARAKHAND
STORY OF SELFLESS SERVICE

Sahyog, Samarpan
Aur Sanskar



As a freedom fighter from his young days in 1936, Pandit Devendra Shastri ji had always raised his voice against injustice and appeasement. Even in 1947, he had taken great personal risk on his own life to ensure that Hindus from Sheikhpura, Lyallpur, part of Pakistani Punjab, were evacuated safely. Being a co-founder of the Jana Sangh, he did several pro-people activities that earned him immense popularity and goodwill. With the help of shramdaan, he got an irrigation canal built in Bhagwanpur village of Haridwar, which Dr.

Syama Prasad Mookerjee later inaugurated. Having participated in the 1953 Kashmir Bachao Andolan, Shastri ji had to spend three months in captivity in Bijnor, Uttar Pradesh, and Delhi after courting arrest. Between 1951 and 1977, Shastri ji also served as the Sangathan Mantri for Western Uttar Pradesh. In 1977 after the Emergency, he got elected as the Member of the Legislative Assembly from Dehradun. At the same time, he was appointed Vice President of Uttar Pradesh Bharatiya Janata Party and President of the

Uttaranchal Pradesh Sangharsh Samiti. Later, he became a member of the Uttar Pradesh Legislative Council as well, while remaining a lifelong member of the Jan Sangh earlier and the Bharatiya Janata Party later. He was even put in jail for nearly three years for leading the campaign for a separate Uttaranchal state in various places, along with raising issues of the ordinary people. Throughout his life, Pandit Devendra Shastri was known for his principled based politics, selfless service, and nationalism. ■

PM MODI'S B'DAY SPECIAL



Nation is a social construct and not the physical construct: Modi

AVDHOOT SUMANT

Advocate, Vadodara



PM Modi Story

To this question, Shri K.C. Sudarshan ji requested young Shri Narendra Modi to reply.

In his reply, Shri Narendra Modi emphasized that nation is like a human body.

Shri Modi further explained the concept with an example. He asked Shri Avdhoot, 'How will you react if I slap you here?'

Shri Avdhoot replied, I will slap you back if I am strong enough to do so. Otherwise, I will run away.

To his reply Shri Modi further added, my slap hurts your cheeks, which was best responded by either your leg or hand. What Shri Modi meant by this was that the problems appeared on one part of the body was sensitively realised by the other parts of body and it responded back. If body lacks the solidarity among each other, in medical terms that is defined as paralysis. Similarly, if any of the citizen is attacked or suppressed in Assam, Jammu and Kashmir by any evil mind and if it does not make the other citizen sense his pain that means the consciousness for nation is in danger. Nation is a social construct and not the physical construct. A tree has only one root but it has different branches, leaves, flower and fruits. Connecting the people living together, assimilating them with one ideology, that is nation. ■

Avdhoot Sumant, an advocate, recalls his conversation with Shri Narendra Modi during a Baudhik Varg of RSS at Vadodara in the 80s. Shri K.C. Sudarshan ji, the then RSS Sarsanghchalak was presiding over the session and Shri Modi was also present there.

After completion of the Baudhik Varg, the forum opened for discussion and all were allowed to ask direct questions to Sudarshan ji. Shri Avdhoot Sumant asked a question within that forum. He said, 'Nation is different from State. Concept of State can change but the notion of Nation is unique and unchangeable. Nation is invisible and eternal, please explain with examples.'

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PM Modi-Championing the cause of Indian sports

DEEPA MALIK

Paralympian Athlete



PM Modi Story

Modi coming over from the back of Ms. Deepa Malik's wheelchair. To her surprise, PM Shri Modi himself came forward and protected Ms. Deepa from the push of the crowd, appealed to all of them to stay back as this could have hurt Ms. Deepa Malik. There are two things to acknowledge here. One, PM Shri Modi cared about her safety and second, he remembered that Ms. Deepa Malik had undergone spinal cord surgery few weeks back. Such a gesture by the prime minister himself made Deepa Malik feel so special and inspired to do better for the country next time.

Another incident when PM Shri Modi's conviction in sportspersons was established took place in Ahmedabad.

From 'Fit India' to 'Khelo India' and the TOPS scheme, PM Shri Modi has been championing the cause of Indian sports. But more than that, Shri Modi loves to celebrate the success of the sportspersons and makes sure that they feel honoured after they bring glory to India. At the same time, he also goes on to set new benchmarks for the next sporting event.

Ms. Deepa Malik, winner of first female paralympic medal for India, recalls her meeting with PM Shri Narendra Modi upon her return from the event.

A greet-and-meet event was hosted by the prime minister Shri Narendra Modi for the Rio Olympics medal winners from India. For the first time in 10 years of Ms. Deepa Malik's career, she was invited at the residence of the prime minister for winning a medal for the country.

During the greet-and-meet event, PM Shri Modi called the Paralympian by her name and said, 'Ms. Deepa, you have a positive vibe and you always speak in a positive manner. Many times, I watch your videos and feel positive.'

Another meeting with PM Shri Modi took place at the reception held at the Rashtrapati Bhawan. While PM Shri Modi was shaking hands with the Olympians, a few of the people tried to shake hands with PM Shri



Ms. Deepa Malik received a call from PM's office. At a very short notice she was invited to reach Ahmedabad on the invitation of PM Shri Modi. When she reached Ahmedabad, Ms. Deepa Malik got to know that she was invited into the inauguration of a Transtadia where cricketers, Olympians and sportspersons from other sports streams were also present. When PM Shri Modi met Ms. Deepa there, he said this line-up would have been incomplete without a woman and specially-abled sportsperson.

Also, Shri PM Modi himself drove Ms. Deepa Malik's wheelchair to the stage for the inauguration. This proved to be a touching moment for the Paralympian and she still has her Twitter profile pic of the same event. During his speech at the event, PM Shri Modi also said that Ms. Deepa Malik's biography can inspire a sportsperson to do better for the country.

Ms. Deepa Malik terms this moment as adding an extra sense of responsibility. She also says that these words from Shri PM Modi inspires her to be more responsible and do better for India. ■

INDIA OVERTAKES UK TO BECOME WORLD'S 5TH LARGEST ECONOMY

India has become the world's fifth-largest economy, overtaking the United Kingdom in end-March 2022, according to a Bloomberg report



released on 3rd September. The conclusion was based on IMF database and exchange rates. This is the second time India has beaten the UK in terms of economy, with the first one being in 2019.

As per the report, the size of the Indian economy with regards to 'nominal' cash was \$854.7 billion during the quarter through March. On the contrary, the same for the UK was \$814 billion. This was calculated on an adjusted basis and using the dollar exchange rate on the last day of the relevant quarter.

The calculation is based on US dollars, with India further extending its lead in the first quarter of the current financial year, according to GDP figures from the International Monetary Fund (IMF). ■

Rs. 1,43,612 CRORE GROSS GST REVENUE COLLECTED IN THE MONTH OF AUGUST 2022

The gross GST revenue collected in the month of August 2022 is Rs. 1,43,612 crore of which CGST is Rs. 24,710 crore, SGST is Rs. 30,951 crore, IGST is Rs. 77,782 crore (including Rs. 42,067 crore collected on import of goods) and cess is Rs. 10,168 crore (including Rs. 1,018 crore collected on import of goods).

The government has settled Rs. 29,524 crore to CGST and Rs. 25,119 crore to SGST from IGST. The total revenue of Centre and the States in the month of August 2022 after regular settlement is Rs. 54,234 crore for CGST and Rs. 56,070 crore for the SGST. The revenues for the month of August 2022 are 28% higher than the GST revenues in the same month last year of Rs. 1,12,020 crore. During the month, revenues from import of goods was 57% higher and the revenues from domestic transaction (including import of services) are 19% higher than the revenues from these sources during the same month last year. ■

A QUANTITY OF 881.30 LMT OF PADDY PROCURED UPTO 30TH AUGUST 2022

About 130.65 Lac farmers benefited with MSP value of Rs.1,72,734.69 crore

Paddy procurement under central pool is progressing smoothly in Kharif Marketing Season (KMS) 2021-22, in various procuring States/ UTs. Upto 30.08.2022, a quantity of 881.30 LMT of Paddy (includes Kharif Crop 759.32 LMT and Rabi Crop 121.98 LMT) has been procured, benefiting about 130.65 Lac farmers with MSP value of Rs.1,72,734.69 crore. A quantity of 187.92 LMT of wheat has been procured upto 30.08.2022 during Rabi Marketing Season 2022-23, benefiting about 17.83 Lac farmers with MSP value of Rs.37,866.13 crore. ■



COMBINED INDEX OF EIGHT CORE INDUSTRIES INCREASES BY 4.5 PER CENT

The combined Index of Eight Core Industries increased by 4.5 per cent (provisional) as compared to the Index of July 2021. The production of Coal, Refinery Products, Fertilizers, Steel, Electricity and Cement industries increased in July 2022 over the corresponding period of last year. ICI measures combined and individual performance of production in selected eight core industries viz. Coal, Crude Oil, Natural Gas, Refinery Products, Fertilizers, Steel, Cement and Electricity. The Eight Core Industries comprise 40.27 percent of the weight of items included in the Index of Industrial Production (IIP). Details of yearly and monthly indices and growth rates are provided at Annex I & II respectively.



Final growth rate of Index of Eight Core Industries for April 2022 is revised to 9.5% from its provisional level 8.4%. The growth rate of ICI during April-July 2022-23 was 11.5% (P) as compared to the corresponding period of last FY. ■

NEW MILESTONE: FOR THE FIRST TIME DEMAT ACCOUNTS SURPASS 100 MILLION

The country's demat account tally topped the 100 million-mark for the first time, in August 2022. Over 2.2 million new accounts -- most in four months -- were opened, taking the cumulative figure to 100.5 million, according to data released by depository firms National Securities Depository Limited (NDSL) and Central Depository Services (CDSL) on September 5, 2022.



India's demat account tally was 40.9 million in March 2020 just before the outbreak of Covid-19 in the country.

The sharp surge in the market, greater lean hours due to the lockdown and mobility restrictions, shift to the work-from-home set-up, ease of account opening, increase in mobile and data penetration, and a drop in brokerage rates have underpinned this growth. ■

RECORD DIGITAL DISBURSEMENT TO DEFENCE PENSIONERS VIA SPARSH

5.6 lakh Pensioners migrate to the Digital Platform

Providing impetus to Digital India initiative, the System for Pensions Administration – RakSHA or SPARSH has disbursed more than Rs 3,090 Crore to Defense Pensioners digitally in the month of August, 2022. In another milestone, 5,62,946 Defence Pensioners migrated successfully onto the digital platform of SPARSH in August 2022. The total number of pensioners onboarded to SPARSH has crossed over the one million mark with 11 lakh beneficiaries, which is nearly 33% of the total defence pensioners in India.

This transformational change has been made possible only through incremental innovations. SPARSH is the web-based system processing the

pension claims and crediting the pension directly into the bank accounts of defence pensioners without any external intermediary. It has grown exponentially with more than Rs 11,600 Crores disbursed in the Financial Year 2021-22, from just about Rs 57 crores in FY 2020-21.

The Defence Accounts Department is the nodal implementing agency of Project SPARSH, integrating over 3000 pension initiating, sanctioning and disbursement agencies. It has brought pension services right at the door step of the veterans – from digital process of pensioner verification to real time tracking of grievance redressal. ■

SERVICES EXPORTS SURGING AT 25% GROWTH IN FOUR MONTHS UPTO JULY'22

India has achieved merchandise export of USD 33.0 billion in August 2022, almost at similar levels of USD 33.38 billion in August 2021. Value of non-petroleum exports in August 2022 was 28.09 USD billion, registering a negative growth of only 2.22% over non-petroleum exports of USD 28.73 billion in August 2021. The value of non-petroleum exports in April -August 2022-23 was USD 152.29 billion, an increase of 7.97% over USD 141.05 billion in April -August 2021-22.

Value of non-petroleum and non-gems and jewellery exports in August 2022 was USD 24.8 billion, registering a negative growth of 1.96% over non-petroleum and non-gems and jewellery exports of USD 25.29 billion in August 2021. The cumulative value of non-petroleum and non-gems and jewellery exports in April -August 2022-23 was USD 135.49 billion, an increase of 8.4% over cumulative value of non-petroleum and non-gems and jewellery exports of USD 124.99 billion in April -August 2021-22.

Amongst the major products, exports of Electronic goods (50.68%), Rice (42.32%), Organic and Inorganic chemicals (13.35%) registered impressive growth during August 2022.

India's merchandise import in August 2022 was USD 61.68 billion, an increase of 36.78% over USD 45.09 billion in August 2021. India's merchandise imports in April -August 2022-23 was USD 317.81 billion with an increase of 45.64% over USD 218.22 billion in April -August 2021-22. ■

CENTRE APPROVES THREE BULK DRUG PARKS IN HP, GUJARAT AND AP

The Department of Pharmaceuticals has conveyed 'in-principle' approval to the proposals of the three States Viz, Himachal Pradesh, Gujarat and Andhra Pradesh under the Scheme for "Promotion of Bulk Drug Parks", a key initiative to support the Bulk Drugs manufacturing in the country. The Scheme, with a financial outlay of Rs. 3,000 crores notified in 2020, provides for financial assistance to three States for establishing Bulk Drug Parks and aims to bring down the cost of manufacturing of bulk drugs by creation of world class common infrastructure facilities supported by the Central Government and thereby increase the competitiveness of the domestic bulk drug industry.

The Indian Pharmaceutical industry is the 3rd largest in the world by volume. India exported pharmaceuticals worth Rs. 1,75,040 crore in the financial year 2021-22, including Bulk Drugs/ Drug Intermediates. Also, India is one of the major producers of Active Pharma Ingredients (API) or bulk drugs in the world. India exported Bulk Drugs/ Drug Intermediates worth Rs. 33,320 crore in financial year 2021-22.

However, the country also imports various Bulk Drugs/ APIs for producing medicines from various countries. Most of the imports of the Bulk Drug/APIs being done in the country are because of economic considerations. The Government strives to minimize country's dependence on imports and to give fillip to indigenous manufacturing. In order to make the country self-reliant in APIs and drug intermediates, the Department of Pharmaceuticals is implementing various schemes and one of the key interventions is the Scheme for Bulk Drug Parks.

The Bulk Drug Parks to be developed under the scheme will provide common infrastructure facilities at one place thereby creating a robust ecosystem for the Bulk Drug manufacturing in the country and also reducing the manufacturing cost significantly. ■

OVERALL COAL PRODUCTION INCREASES BY 8.27% TO 58.33 MILLION TON IN AUGUST, 2022

India's overall coal production increased by 8.27% to 58.33 Million Ton (MT) from 53.88 MT during

August, 2022 as compared to Aug 2021. As per the provisional statistics of the Ministry of Coal, during Aug 2022, Coal India Ltd (CIL) and captive mines/others registered a growth of 8.49 and 27.06% by producing 46.22 MT and 8.02 MT respectively.

At the same time, coal despatch increased by 5.41% to 63.43 MT from 60.18 MT during Aug 2022 as compared to Aug 2021. During Aug 2022, CIL and captive /others registered a growth of 5.11% and 26.29% by despatching 51.12 MT and 8.28 MT respectively.

The power utilities despatch has grown by 10.84% to 54.09 MT during August 2022 as compared to 48.80 MT in Aug 2021 due to increase in power demand.

The overall power generation in Aug 2022 has been 3.14% higher than the power generated in Aug 2021. However, Coal based power generation in the month of Aug 2022 has been 85785 MU in comparison to 86039 MU in July 2022 and registered a minor negative growth of 0.30%. ■

INDIA PIPS CHINA IN CREATING NEW UNICORNS

India has created the second-highest number of UNICORNS - 14 - in the first half of 2022. China's zero-Covid policy, a series of lockdowns, and an economic slowdown seem to have affected start-ups in that country. China created just 10 new UNICORNS in the first half of 2022, despite having the second highest number of unicorns globally, according to the latest Hurun Global Unicorn Index released on September 06, 2022.

India ranks third in the number of UNICORNS created. "India consolidated its Top 3 spot with 68 unicorns, led by online educator BYJU'S worth \$22bn, followed by on-demand delivery start-up Swiggy (\$11bn) and fantasy sports platform travel-stay finder Dream11 (\$8bn). A further 56 unicorns were started by Indian co-founders outside India, taking the total to 124 unicorns founded by Indians around the world," the report noted.

Bengaluru accounts for 2.5 percent of the world's UNICORNS. It added six new UNICORNS this year until June. New York and San Francisco have the highest number of unicorns. ■

'DEMOCRACY IN INDIA HAS EMERGED STRONGER'

Historic speech of Atal Ji on the 'Motion of Confidence' on 28 May, 1996

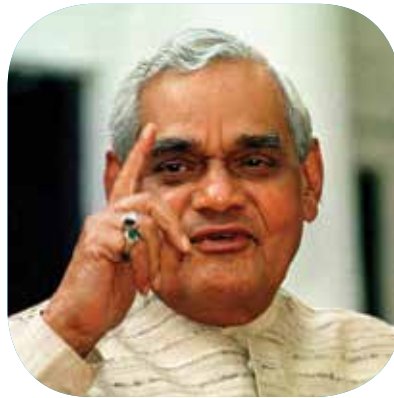
On 28 May, 1996 India witnessed an epic moment at Lok Sabha in the Parliament and the person behind that moment was the then Prime Minister of India Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee. Notably, the Bharatiya Janata Party emerged as the single-largest party in the general elections of 1996 with 161 Members. The President of India Shri Shankar Dayal Sharma invited Atalji to form the government and gave him two weeks time to prove its majority. After 13 days, by not indulging in horse trading, Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee decided to face the trust vote and he delivered this memorable speech during the 'Motion of Confidence' in the Parliament. We are publishing Excerpts of the third part of the historic speech for our esteemed readers:



I have been listening to your criticism since yesterday and now you are not prepared to listen to a little bit of criticism. Is it my fault if the voters have not given a clear majority to any party? We have been given the chance as the single largest party because people wanted a change. Is it also our fault?

Mr. Speaker, Sir, I am not talking about West Bengal, I have mentioned about it yesterday. It is a different matter that their number of seats and percentage of votes have decreased this time. I fail to understand that two parties fought the elections against each other; and now when they joined hands with each other they are saying that the mandate was against BJP and 82 per cent voters voted in their favour. It is a peculiar logic which is being given here.

We held a large discussion on it. Earlier, you were not in favour of any discussion on this motion. But when a discussion was initiated, the hon. Members took keen interest in it and we have had a good discussion in the House. Now the time has come to make a decision on it. Even then you are feeling so perturbed. You are so anxious to come to power so



soon.

I remember the day when you split the Janata Party and took Chaudhury Charan Singh to South Block and stood in front of his chair. The time which was given to me to mobilize majority or support has been properly utilized by me. I have had talks with different political parties. Some parties have come to our support and some other parties expressed their difficulties. Some parties are of the opinion that they will lose some of their votes if they support us. I can understand if any political party is worried about its vote bank but how long and to what extent this game of vote bank will continue? Will they ignore the national interest for the sake of vote bank? When we talk about minorities

and say that they should get full protection equal opportunities equal rights people level charges against us that we do not practice what we say. Such matters can be discussed in the House. Our party Government in the States is functioning accordingly and if you give us a chance in the Centre we can show you as to how all these things are implemented. I fail to understand that every political party is talking about the biggest minority community but no one is bothered about the Sikhs who are just two percent of the population. Just now you have listened to the agony of Shri Barnala. Nobody is bothered about them.

Mr Speaker Sir, I remember those days when Sikhs were being massacred In Delhi riots. One of our BJP workers came to me in the cover of darkness. I could not recognize him because he had cut his hair short and had shaved off his beard. I asked him as to what he had done with his hair and beard and why he had come surreptitiously in the cover of darkness? He told me that he could not come to me in the daylight. He could not come out of his house with his long hair. That was

why he had sacrificed his hair. He had come to narrate his tale of woe to me. At that time we advocated the cause of Sikhs. That was why we lost elections at that time and the Congress Party captured power by exploiting anti-Sikh sentiments of the people. We did not do that.

It will be better for my friend Shri Mulayam Singhji not to utter anything in this regard. During his tenure as Chief Minister of UP the women who were coming to Delhi for a rally in support of their demand for Uttaranchal were raped and this fact has been substantiated even by the court. And after that Shri Mulayam Singh ji has no face to say anything.

Mr. Speaker, Sir, all these friends have been speaking for the last two days. Now I have got a chance to speak. They want to shut my mouth but this will not happen. If they try to do so on the strength of numbers we will be forced to take this war of ideologies to the streets.

I would like to stress on the point which I mentioned in the beginning. There should not be polarization in the country, neither on the communal line nor on the caste line. The politics should also not be divided into two camps which sans dialogue and discussion. Today, the country is in crisis. Whenever needed, we helped the Government to tide over the situation. Being the Leader of the Opposition, I was deputed by the then Prime Minister, Shri Narasimha Rao to represent India in Geneva. Members of the Pakistani delegation were taken aback on my inclusion in the Indian delegation.

In that country the leader of the Opposition is only interested

in pulling down the Government. This has not been our tradition and moreover it is quite contrary to our nature. I wish this tradition to continue. The Governments will come and go but the nation will always remain there. The democracy of this country will live forever. Has it not become a difficult task in the present atmosphere? This discussion will conclude today but the chapter which is going to start from tomorrow requires some deliberation. The bitterness should not be allowed to grow. I do not know the basis on which the United Front selected Shri Deve Gowda as its leader because he was not the

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first choice of the United Front. He was their fourth choice. Now he is going to become their first choice for the Prime Ministership.

I regret that during the discussion the names of such organisations were mentioned here which are independent and are engaged in the task of nation and character building. I am referring to RSS. One can have differences with the ideologies of RSS but the kind of allegation leveled against RSS was not warranted. Even the Members of Congress and other parties respect and admire the constructive work being done by the RSS and

they also lend their cooperation for the same. If they go and work among the poor and work for the spread of education in tribal areas they should be felicitated for their endeavour. All sorts of cooperation should be extended to them. Shri Deve Gowda, whom you are going to elect as leader of United Front is well acquainted with the merits of RSS and moreover he himself has praised RSS for its activities.

Mr. Speaker Sir, My friends should know that I have also come here after getting elected. They should also know that being the leader of the largest party I have been appointed as Prime Minister by the President of India. It is at the directive of the President that I have come to seek the vote of confidence of the House Now.

I was saying that those who are patriots, rational In this country and those who wish welfare of the country from the core of their heart and have come in contact with RSS, know that this organization is dedicated to the country for its well being. I will cite a recent instance. I am not mentioning that after the Chinese aggression, the voluntary organisations which were invited to participate in the Republic Day parade for showing solidarity with Pandit Nehru, RSS was one among them. Communists were not there. Where were they at that time? Even during the time of Shri Lal Bahadur Shastri, who was also a popular Prime Minister of the country, when we had a war with Pakistan, educated people were needed to control the traffic in Delhi and it was again RSS volunteers who offered their services to control the traffic. ■

To be continued.....

QUEEN ELIZABETH II IS NO MORE

INDIA OBSERVES 11TH SEPTEMBER AS STATE MOURNING DAY

Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland, passed away on the 8th of September 2022. As a mark of respect to the departed dignitary, the 11th of September was officially observed as State Mourning Day throughout India. On the day of Mourning, the National Flag was flown at half mast throughout India on all buildings where the National Flag is flown regularly, and there was no official entertainment on the day.

On the demise of Queen Elizabeth II, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said in a tweet, "Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II will be remembered as a stalwart of our times. She provided inspiring leadership to her nation and people. She personified dignity and decency in public life. Pained by her demise. My thoughts are with her family and the people of the UK in this sad hour." Recalling his memorable meetings with the queen, PM Shri Modi said, "I had memorable meetings with



Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II during my UK visits in 2015 and 2018. I will never forget her warmth and kindness. During one of the meetings, she showed me the handkerchief Mahatma Gandhi gifted her on her wedding. I will always cherish that gesture." ■

Karnataka Minister Umesh Vishwanath Katti passes away

Shri Umesh Vishwanath Katti, 61, Minister for Food and Civil Supplies and Forest and Ecology in Karnataka passed away in Bengaluru on September 6 following a massive heart attack.

Revenue Minister Shri R. Ashok, who briefed the media at Ramaiah Hospital, said Shri . Katti suffered a heart attack at his home in Bengaluru and was rushed to the hospital. But doctors failed to revive him.

His last rites were performed with State honors at his native village Bellada Bagewadi in Hukkeri taluk in Belagavi district.

PM Shri Narendra Modi, BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, Chief Minister Shri Basavaraj Bommai and several leaders condoled the demise of the leader.

PM Shri Modi said, Shri Umesh Katti Ji was



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an experienced leader who made rich contributions to Karnataka's development. Pained by his demise. My thoughts are with his family and supporters in this tragic hour. Om Shanti."

Shri Nadda said, "Deeply saddened to hear about the demise of Shri Umesh Katti Ji. His demise is a huge loss for Karnataka. His contributions in the development of Karnataka will always be remembered. My condolences to his family and well wishers in this difficult time. Om Shanti."

Shri Katti was among the veteran leaders in Karnataka with nearly four decades in Legislative Assembly. He had fought nine elections and won eight of them. He served as Minister in the Cabinets of Shri BS Yediyurappa, Shri DV. Sadananda Gowda, Shri Jagadish Shettar and Shri Basavaraj Bommai. ■

Kutch has taken entire Gujarat to new heights: PM

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 28 August inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of projects worth around Rs 4400 crore in Bhuj. Earlier, he also inaugurated Smriti Van Memorial in Bhuj district, Gujarat.

Addressing the gathering, the Prime Minister said that Smriti Van Memorial in Bhuj and Veer Bal Smarak at Anjar are the symbols of shared pain of Kutch, Gujarat and the entire country. He recalled when the concept of Anjar Memorial came up and a resolution was taken for completing the memorial via voluntary work, 'Kar Seva'. He said that these memorials are being dedicated with a heavy heart in the remembrance of the lives lost in the devastating earthquake. He also thanked the people for their warm welcome.

The Prime Minister continued, "Kutch has always had one specialty, which I often discuss. Even if a person sows a dream while walking on the way here, then the whole of Kutch gets involved in making it a banyan tree. These sacraments of Kutch proved every apprehension, every assessment wrong.

There were many who said that now Kutch will never be able to stand on its feet. But today the people of Kutch have completely changed the scenario here." He recalled that the first Diwali after the earthquake, he and his state cabinet colleagues spent in the area in solidarity with the people. He said that in that hour of challenge, we proclaimed that we will turn disaster into opportunity ('aapda se awasar'). "When I say from the ramparts of the Red Fort that India will be a developed country by 2047, you can see that amidst death and disaster, we made some resolutions and we realized them today. Similarly, what we resolve today, we will surely realize in 2047", he said

Highlighting the incredible work done since its complete devastation in 2001, the Prime Minister said that Krantiguru Shyamji Krishnavarma University was formed

in 2003 in Kutch, while more than 35 new colleges have also been established. He also talked about earthquake proof district hospitals and more than 200 functional clinics in the area and every household gets clean water of holy Narmada, a far cry from the days of water scarcity in those days. He elaborated on the steps of ensuring water security in the region. He said that due to the blessings of the people of the Kutch, all the key areas have been connected with Narmada water. "Kutch Bhuj Canal will benefit the people and farmers of the region", he said. He also congratulated Kutch for becoming number one fruit producing district of entire Gujarat. He lauded the people for making unprecedented strides in cattle rearing and milk production. "Kutch has not only picked itself up but has taken the entire Gujarat to new heights", he added.

The Prime Minister recalled the time when Gujarat was hit with one crisis after another. He said, "While Gujarat was dealing with the natural calamity, the period of conspiracies started. In order to defame Gujarat in the country and in the world, one after another conspiracy was hatched to stop the investment

here." The Prime Minister highlighted how even with such a situation at hand, Gujarat became the first state in the country to enact a Disaster Management Act.

He said that Kutch has the largest cement plants in the world today. Kutch is second in the world regarding welding pipe manufacturing. World's second largest textile plant is in Kutch. Asia's first SEZ came up in Kutch. Kandla and Mundra ports handle 30 per cent of India's cargo and it produces 30 per cent salt for the country. Kutch produces 2500 MW power generated by solar and wind energy and the largest solar hybrid park is coming up in Kutch. The Prime Minister further added that Gujarat has a big role to play in the Green House campaign that is going on in the country today. Similarly, when Gujarat makes its mark as the Green House Capital of the world, Kutch will contribute a lot to it. ■



“Karnataka is one of the biggest beneficiaries of Sagarmala scheme”

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi on 2 September inaugurated and laid the foundation stone of mechanization and industrialisation projects worth around Rs 3800 crores in Mangaluru.

Addressing the gathering, the Prime Minister said that today is a red letter day in the history of India. Be it territorial security or economic security, India is witnessing huge opportunities. Recalling the commissioning of INS Vikrant earlier today, the Prime Minister exuded the pride that every Indian is experiencing.

Referring to the projects for which were inaugurated or foundation stones were laid, the Prime Minister said that these projects will increase the ease of living and employment in Karnataka especially, ‘One District and One Product’ scheme will facilitate the availability of market for the products of fishermen, artisans and farmers of the region.

Remarking on the five vows (Panch Pran), the Prime Minister said that the first of the five vows that he had talked about from the Red Fort is the creation of a developed India. The Prime Minister said, “To build a developed India, it is very necessary to expand the manufacturing sector of the country, ‘Make in India’.”

Highlighting the efforts that the country has made toward port-led development, the Prime Minister emphasised that it is an important mantra for development. As a result of such efforts, the capacity of India’s ports has almost doubled in just 8 years.

Remarking on the prioritised infrastructure development in the last 8 years, the Prime Minister said that it is Karnataka that has benefited immensely from it. “Karnataka is one of the biggest beneficiaries of the Sagarmala scheme”, the Prime Minister added. Highway Projects worth 70 thousand have been added in the last 8 years in the state and more than one lakh crore rupees worth of projects are in the pipeline, he added. The railway budget for the projects in Karnataka increased fourfold in the last 8 years.



Prime Minister said we have to take full advantage of India’s seven and a half thousand kilometres coastal line potential of the country

Observing the developments in the last 8 years, the Prime Minister said that more than 3 crore houses have been built for the poor in the country, and in Karnataka, the approval for more than 8 lakh pucca houses for the poor have been given. “Thousands of middle-class families have also been supported with crores of rupees to build their houses”, the Prime Minister added. He further highlighted that under the Jal Jeevan Mission, more than 6 crore households in the country

have been linked with piped water facilities in just 3 years. “Piped water has reached more than 30 lakh, rural families of Karnataka, for the first time”, the Prime Minister said. The Prime Minister mentioned that under the Ayushman Bharat scheme, about 4 crore poor people of the country have received free treatment during hospitalisation. “Due to this, about 50 thousand crore rupees have been saved from being spent for the poor. More than 30 lakh patients of Karnataka have also got the benefit of Ayushman Bharat”, the Prime Minister added.

The Prime Minister further added that small farmers, small traders, fishermen, street vendors, and crores of such people have started getting the benefits of the country’s development for the first time. “They are joining the mainstream of development of India”, he said. ■

PM Modi announces **PM SHRI SCHOOLS** on the occasion of Teachers' Day

MORE THAN 14500 SCHOOLS ACROSS THE COUNTRY TO BE DEVELOPED AS PM SCHOOLS FOR RISING INDIA

On the occasion of National Teachers' Day, the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi announced a new initiative - PM SHRI Schools (PM ScHools for Rising India). This will be a new centrally sponsored scheme for upgradation and development of more than 14500 Schools across the country by strengthening the selected existing schools from amongst schools managed by Central Government/ State/ UT Government/ local bodies. PM SHRI Schools will showcase all components of the National Education Policy 2020 and act as exemplar schools and also offer mentorship to other schools in their vicinity. The aim of these schools will not only be qualitative teaching, learning and cognitive development, but also creating holistic and well-rounded individuals equipped with key 21st century skills.

Pedagogy adopted in these schools will be more experiential, holistic, integrated, play/toy-based (particularly, in the foundational years) inquiry-driven, discovery-oriented, learner-centred, discussion-based, flexible and enjoyable. Focus will be on achieving proficiency in learning outcomes of every child in every grade. Assessment at all levels will be based on conceptual understanding and application of knowledge to real life situations and will be competency-based.

These schools will be equipped with modern infrastructure including labs, smart classrooms, libraries, sports equipment, art room etc. which is inclusive and accessible. These schools shall also be developed as green schools with water conservation, waste recycling, energy-efficient infrastructure and integration of organic lifestyle in curriculum.

They will provide leadership in their respective regions in providing high-quality education in an equitable, inclusive and joyful school environment that takes care of the diverse background, multilingual needs, and different academic abilities of children and makes them active participants in their own learning process as per the vision of NEP 2020.

The Union Government has also planned to set up



playschools so that there are at least two schools in every block area. Like Samagra Shiksha Abhiyan, the centre and state will follow a 60:40 budget-sharing pattern. The total central share will be Rs 18, 128 crore.

In a media interaction Education Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan said, "The Government of India has given a new distribution mechanism Special Nodal Accounts for specific schemes and departments. All states have agreed to this plan because all the benefits will directly reach the beneficiaries that are schools and students," added Shri Pradhan. As per the government's claim, more than 18 lakh students are expected to be direct beneficiaries of the scheme. The government will select PM SHRI schools through "challenge mode" wherein schools compete for support to become exemplar schools. A maximum of two schools, including one elementary and one secondary or senior secondary school, will be selected in every block. The schools will be selected based on 60 "point-based" criteria like availability of drinking water, playground, boundary wall and more. Among public schools maintained by centre, state and local bodies including Kendriya Vidyalaya, Jawahar Navodaya Vidyalayas, Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalaya will be selected for improvement. In addition, a School Quality Assessment Framework (SQAF) is being developed to measure the learning outcomes in these schools. Quality evaluation of these schools at regular intervals will be undertaken to ensure the desired standards. "Teachers will be able to assess which student is facing trouble in physics, English or mathematics," said Shri Pradhan. ■

'PM MODI SETS POLITICS OF DEVELOPMENT AS MAIN AGENDA'

Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah said Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has set 'politics of development' as the main agenda, putting an end to the menace of dynasty politics, corruption and appeasement. Shri Modi has rekindled the faith of democracy in the minds of people and has been working to elevate the standard of living of the poor, Shri Amit Shah said while speaking at a seminar on the book 'Modi@20- Dreams Meet Delivery' in Chhattisgarh.

Shri Shah released 'Modi@20-Dreams Meet Delivery' in Raipur, Chhattisgarh on 27 August 2022. The book contains 21 articles penned by experts from different fields which highlight the good governance of Narendra Modi as Chief Minister of Gujarat and the



Prime Minister of India in the last 20 years.

Shri Shah said when BJP formed the government in 2014 and Shri Narendra Modi became the Prime Minister, he laid emphasis on politics of performance and politics of development which is leading this country to transform itself into a developed nation.

When Modiji took over, nepotism, corruption and appeasement were dominating the politics in India. PM Shri Modi healed these three and introduced the politics of performance. There were 60 million people who had no electricity, no gas in their homes, there was no toilet and crores of people had no homes. But Shri Narendra Modi solved all these problems because he has come from such a poor background.

Shri Modi got the opportunity to decide on two Presidents. He justified and made Shri Ramnath Kovind, a Dalit leader, President of India followed by the first tribal woman President in the form of Smt. Droupadi Murmu. The tribals of the country including Chhattisgarh are taking pride in this. ■

'SENA WAS DESTROYED DUE TO ITS OWN ARROGANCE AND POLITICS OF TREASON'

While addressing the BJP Mumbai office bearers, BJP leaders, MLAs and party Karyakartas in Mumbai, Maharashtra on 05th September, 2022, union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah severely criticized the former Maharashtra Chief Minister Uddhav Thackeray for back-stabbing the Bharatiya Janata Party and called upon the party workers not to tolerate the traitors. "The time has come to show him his place and teach him a lesson. Don't make a habit of tolerating traitors. You can overlook anything in politics but not treachery. Those who betray others must be punished," Shri Shah said.

During his address, the Union Home Minister said the Sena broke its alliance with the BJP in 2014 for only two seats and reiterated that there was no commitment made to Uddhav Thackeray in the 2019 polls on the post of Chief Minister. Thackeray betrayed the BJP after seeking votes in the name of Shri Narendra Modi and Shri Devendra Fadnavis.



Now our workers must show him his place. Our target is to win 150 seats in the BMC polls. BJP must dominate in Mumbai, Shri Shah said.

Referring to the recent developments in the Sena which led to the collapse of the Maha Vikas Aghadi government in June, he said that the BJP did not decimate the Sena. The Sena was destroyed and in its present state now due to its own arrogance and politics of treason.

In his address, Deputy CM Shri Devendra Fadnavis said the BJP workers must go all-out to win the BMC polls as its now or never. He pointed out that the original Shiv Sena of CM Shri Eknath Shinde group is with the BJP and the sole aim should be to win the BMC, for which all leaders, workers and supporters will play an important role. He suggested that no one should wait for orders from the leaders and one must put in every effort to make a BJP Mayor in Mumbai. ■

'India's all set to be a \$5 tn economy in 2 years'



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It may be coincidental but was nonetheless of profound satisfaction for every Indian that India surpassed Britain to emerge as the world's fifth largest economy in the 75th year of its Independence. Economists who have been relentlessly critiquing the Indian economy are stumped that they failed to foresee Britain's, and indeed much of the West's, woes.

The days of abundance are truly over for them. And they could just about be beginning for us.

Bloomberg, which first broke the news of India surpassing Britain to become the world's fifth largest economy, contextualised it in colonial terms of a coloniser being left behind by its erstwhile colony.

This underscored how a country that was left battered, bruised and bleeding by its British rulers in 1947, had steadily risen to reclaim that which was lost: economic prosperity and clout.

75 years ago India's share of world GDP was a paltry 3%. It is important to recall this to understand the stunning rise of India in the last eight years that have seen PM Modi making major policy shifts to make up for lost decades. Those were days when successive governments dallied with Soviet-style state control and grossly underestimated the

potential of Indian enterprise.

In 2014, PM Modi buried the past and launched a future that would address the many aspirations of Indians, unleash their potential, and place this great nation on a trajectory of growth while ensuring that the last person in the last row is a beneficiary of a wealthier and prosperous India.

Statistics by themselves tend to tell a partial story. India has emerged as the fifth largest economy in terms of nominal GDP clocking in at 13.5% in the first quarter of FY 2023. If we were to factor in purchasing power parity, India's GDP makes it

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the world's third largest economy, behind the US and China. All available indices and projections suggest that while the GDP of others will either stagnate or decline, India's will continue to rise. India will increase the pace of closing existing gaps.

The two successive pandemic years severely impacted India's economy, as they did economies globally. They were years of adversities which PM Modi converted into opportunities. His foresight prevented India from going the way of others by splurging

money and squandering resources.

Instead, he opted for a cautious and prudent approach, targeting expenditure on job-generating infrastructure projects and promoting incentive-based schemes for industry to regain momentum.

- The Production Linked Incentive scheme worth Rs 2 lakh crore has begun to show results.
- It came in the backdrop of PM Modi ensuring a vastly improved ease of doing business, policy stability, revised labour laws and the world's largest digital payment system, apart from leveraging India's technology pool, encouraging startups and unicorns and directly engaging with global investors and industries.
- He also did not forget those who bore the brunt of the pandemic – the poor and the underprivileged. The world's largest free food programme with almost two thirds of India's population receiving free rations, coupled with the world's largest Covid vaccination drive, helped India's economy recover from the pandemic's ravages and gain both speed and scale.
- Today India is the world's leading consumer of smartphone data, it ranks second in terms of internet users, it is the world's third largest consumer market and third largest consumer of energy.
- We have surpassed previous export records touching Rs 50 lakh crore this year. Our merchandise export has crossed

Rs 31 lakh crore.

- More than 100 unicorns have been created and new companies are being added every month. The valuation of unicorns created in the last eight years is Rs 12 lakh crore and startups have grown from a few hundred to 70,000.

Yet growth and prosperity have not been uneven: 50% of the startups are in tier-2 and tier-3 cities. In 2014, India had 6.5 crore broadband subscribers; today, there are more than 78 crore. The introduction of GST has served entrepreneurs well while plugging gaping holes in tax collection.

But India is not merely about chrome and glass malls showcasing its rising prosperity. Nobody understands this better than PM Modi. Hence his focus has been on reducing poverty, which is happening.

- A recent IMF study tells us how extreme poverty and consumption inequality have

sharply declined.

- Housing and healthcare for the poor have had a remarkable impact on social development indices, as have a slew of schemes ranging from providing subsidised LPG to the underprivileged, to bringing

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potable water on tap in every rural household.

- Mudra loans and other associated programmes have given a push to self-employment opportunities that not only create micro enterprises but also generate jobs.
- Compared to global energy price

increases, India is better placed; the post-pandemic turbulence has least impacted ease of living.

PM Modi's vision of Ek Bharat, Shreshth Bharat has slowly but steadily taken shape and form. It is a vision that involves both government and people – Sabka Prayas. This Bharat is self-confident and atmanirbhar, ready to meet challenges and overcome adversities.

Crossing the twin milestones of emerging as the fifth largest economy and the fastest growing economy is no doubt a stupendous achievement for India and Indians. From this point on we begin our journey on the road to achieving PM Modi's goal of creating a \$5 trillion economy. It can now be said confidently that India shall cross this milestone too in the next two years. It's happening. ■

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India develops "CERVAVAC" for the prevention of cervical cancer

Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) Science & Technology; Minister of State (Independent Charge) Earth Sciences; MoS PMO, Personnel, Public Grievances, Pensions, Atomic Energy and Space, Dr Jitendra Singh on 1 September announces India's first indigenously developed vaccine, "CERVAVAC" for the prevention of cervical cancer.

Announcing the scientific completion of the quadrivalent Human Papilloma Virus (qHPV) vaccine in presence of Mr. Adar C. Poonawalla, CEO, Serum Institute of India, Pune and other prominent scientists and dignitaries, Dr Jitendra Singh said, this affordable and cost-effective vaccine marks an important day for DBT and BIRAC as it takes India a step closer to PM Modi's vision of Atmanirbhar Bharat.

He pointed out that Cervical cancer ranks as the 2nd most prevalent cancers in India and accounts for nearly one-fourth of the world's cervical cancer deaths despite being largely preventable. He said, current estimates indicate that every year approximately 1.25 lakhs women are diagnosed with cervical cancer, and over 75 thousand die from the disease in India, and 83 % of invasive cervical cancers are attributed to HPVs 16 or 18 in India, and 70% of cases worldwide. He said, the most promising intervention for preventing cervical cancer is vaccination against human papillomavirus (HPV). It is estimated that HPV types 16 and 18 (HPV-16 and HPV-18) together contribute to approximately 70% of all invasive cervical cancer cases worldwide. ■

India and Bangladesh sign several MoUs and agreements during Sheikh Hasina's visit



Sheikh Hasina, Prime Minister of the Government of the People's Republic of Bangladesh, paid a State Visit to India from five September to eight September 2022 at the invitation of Prime Minister of India Shri Narendra Modi.

Smt. Hasina held discussions with her counterpart Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on the entire gamut of bilateral cooperation, including political and security cooperation, defence, border management, trade and connectivity, water resources, power and energy, development cooperation, cultural and people-to-people links. They also agreed to collaborate in new areas of cooperation, such as, environment, climate change, cyber security, ICT, space technology, green energy and blue economy.

They further discussed the various aspects of regional and global issues of interest. Keeping in mind the impact of COVID-19 pandemic and the supply chain disruptions due to global developments, the leaders emphasized the need for greater collaboration in the spirit of friendship and partnership for prosperity and development of the region.

THE FOLLOWING MoUs AND AGREEMENTS WERE SIGNED AND EXCHANGED DURING THE VISIT:

- MoU between the Ministry of Jal Shakti, Government of India and Ministry of Water Resources, Government of Bangladesh on Withdrawal of Water by India and Bangladesh from Common Border River Kushiya;
- MoU between the Ministry of Railways (Railway Board), Government of India and the Ministry of Railways, Government of Bangladesh on Training of Bangladesh Railway Personnel in India;
- MoU between the Ministry of Railways (Railway Board), Government of India and the Ministry of Railways, Government of Bangladesh on Collaboration in IT systems such as FOIS and other IT Applications for Bangladesh Railway;
- MoU on Scientific and Technological Cooperation between Council for Scientific & Industrial Research (CSIR), India and Bangladesh Council of

Scientific & Industrial Research (BCSIR), Bangladesh;

- MoU on Cooperation in the Areas of Space Technology between Newspace India Limited and Bangladesh Satellite Company Limited;
- MoU between the Prasar Bharti and Bangladesh Television (BTV) on Cooperation in Broadcasting; &
- MoU between the National Judicial Academy, India and the Supreme Court of Bangladesh on Training and Capacity Building Programme for Bangladesh Judicial Officers in India.

THE FOLLOWING WERE UNVEILED/ANNOUNCED/RELEASED DURING THE VISIT:

- Unveiling of Unit-I of Maitree Super Thermal Power Plant, Rampal, Bangladesh;
- Inauguration of Rupsha railway bridge;
- Announcement of signing of project management consultancy contracts for Khulna – Darshana railway line and Parbotipur – Kaunia railway line.
- Presentation of the book containing translation of the historic '7th March Speech' of Bangabandhu Sheikh Mujibur Rahman in 23 Indian and 5 languages of other South Asian countries, by Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina to Prime Minister Narendra Modi.
- Announcement regarding offer of 20 broad gauge locomotives to Bangladesh Railway on grant basis.
- Announcement regarding supply of road construction equipment and machinery to Road and Highways Department, Government of Bangladesh.

Prime Minister Smt. Sheikh Hasina also thanked Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi for the warm and generous hospitality of the Government and the people of India. Prime Minister Hasina extended a cordial invitation to Prime Minister Shri Modi to visit Bangladesh and the two Leaders looked forward to continuing interactions at all levels and fora. ■



'KNOWLEDGE OF OUR FOREFATHERS, FARSIGHTEDNESS OF OUR ANCESTORS & EKATMACHINTAN, SIGNIFICANT EVEN TODAY'

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the nation in his 92nd episode of 'Mann Ki Baat' on 28 August. While addressing, he discussed how with great zeal, 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsavo' was celebrated in every nook and corner of the country. We are publishing highlights of the address for our esteemed readers:

In Assam, government employees created a 20 feet tricolor with their own hands to hoist at the Dighalipukhuri War memorial. Similarly, people in Indore made the map of India through a human chain. In Chandigarh, the youth made a giant human tricolor. Both these efforts have also been recorded in the Guinness Records. In the midst of all this, a great inspirational example was also seen at the Gangot Panchayat of Himachal Pradesh. Here the children of migrant laborers were included as chief guests in the Independence Day Programme of the Panchayat.

- Local singers living in Botswana sang 75 patriotic songs to celebrate 75 years of India's independence. What is more special in this is that these 75 songs were sung in languages like Hindi, Punjabi, Gujarati, Bangla, Assamese, Tamil, Telugu, Kannada and Sanskrit. Similarly, in Namibia, a special stamp has been released on the Indo-Namibian cultural-traditional relations.
- My dear countrymen, the knowledge of our forefathers, the farsightedness of our ancestors and the EkAtmaChintan, integral self realisation is so significant even today; when we go deep into it, we are filled with wonder. Our thousands of years old Rigveda! In Rigveda it is said:-

**Oman-mapo manushi: amritkam
dhaat tokay tanayaaya shyamyo: |
Yooyam Hisatha Bhisjho Matritama
Vishwasya Sthatu: Jagato Janitri: ||**

- Meaning - O water, you are the best friend of humanity. You are the giver of life, food is

produced from you, and from you is the well-being of our children. You are the protector of us and keep us away from all evils. You are the best medicine, and you are the sustainer of this universe. Think about it...the importance of water and water conservation has been explained in our culture thousands of years ago.

- My dear countrymen, an interesting project is being run in Bongai village of Assam – Project Sampoorna. The purpose of this project is to fight against malnutrition and the method too is very unique. Under this, the mother of a healthy child from an Anganwadi center meets the mother of a malnourished child every week and discusses all the nutrition related information. That is, one mother becomes a friend of another mother, helps her, and teaches her. With the help of this project, in this region, in one year, malnutrition has been eradicated in more than 90 percent children.

- My dear countrymen, Sridevi Varadarajan ji from Chennai has sent me a reminder. She has written something like this on MyGov – There are less than 5 months left for the New Year to come, and we all know that the ensuing New Year will be celebrated as the International Year of Millets. She has also sent me a millet map of the country. She's also asked if you could discuss this in the upcoming episode of 'Mann Ki Baat'. It gives me immense happiness to see this kind of spirit in my countrymen. You will remember that the United Nations has passed a resolution declaring the year 2023 as the



International Year of Millets. You will also be very happy to know that this proposal of India had been accepted by more than 70 countries.

- For our small farmers, millets are especially beneficial. Millet hay is also considered the best fodder. Nowadays, the young generation is much focused on Healthy Living and Eating. Even if you look at it this way, millets contain plenty of protein, fiber, and minerals. Many people even call it a Superfood. Millets have many benefits, not just one. Along with reducing obesity, they also reduce the risk of diabetes, hypertension and heart related diseases. Along with that, they are also helpful in preventing stomach and liver ailments. We referred to malnutrition, just a while ago. Millets

are also very beneficial in fighting malnutrition, since they are packed with energy as well as protein. Today a lot is being done to promote Millets in the country. Along with focusing on research and innovation related to this, FPOs

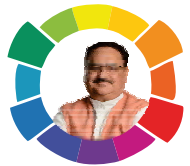
are being encouraged, so that, production can be increased. It is my request to my farmer brothers and sisters to adopt Millets, that is, coarse grains, more and more and benefit from it. It feels good to see that many such start-ups are emerging today, which are working on Millets. Some of these are

making Millet Cookies, while some are also making Millet Pancakes and Dosa. There are some who are making Millet Energy Bars, and Millet Breakfasts. I wish all the very best to all the people working in this field. ■

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PM Shri Narendra Modi with the winners of National Awards to Teachers on the occasion of Teacher's Day in New Delhi on September 05, 2022



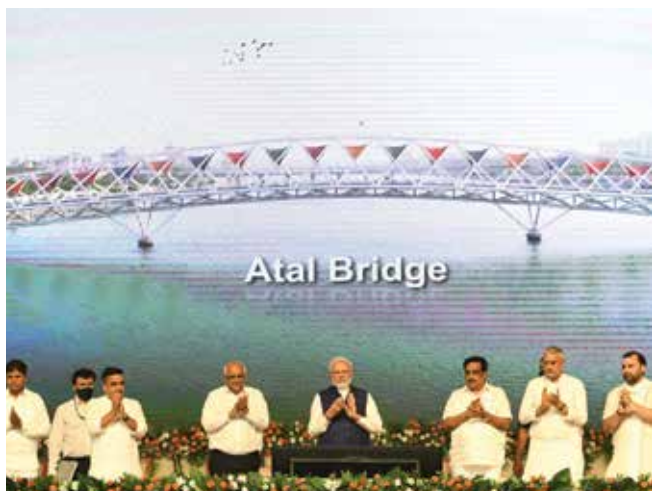
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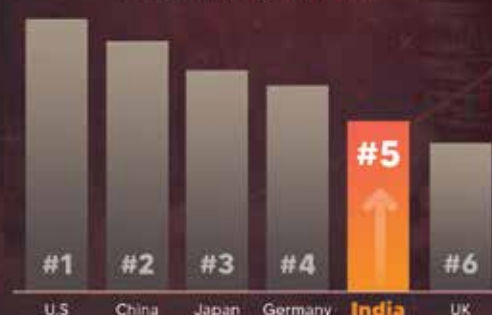
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