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# INTRODUCTION

The year 2023 marks nine years of Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government. These nine years have been dedicated to bring about development which is inclusive, progressive, and sustainable. The government under Prime Minister Modi has been steadfast in its commitment of creating equity and opportunity for all citizens.

PM Modi has brought the politics of development - Vikasvaad - into the mainstream, making it the focal point around which political discourse and policy action now revolves.

Since assuming office in 2014, PM Modi has remained firm in his resolve of keeping 'India first' in every policy formulation and action. This resolve is evident in government's handling of both external and internal security, economic management, empowerment schemes for marginalised groups, efforts at cultural conservation and so on.

Prime Minister Modi's government has always

believed in setting challenging targets, and achieving them before the set deadline. This can be seen across sectors- whether it is in vaccinating the entire eligible population in record time against Covid-19, recording the nation's highest ever exports in history, in the digital revolution which is taking place across India, in achieving monumental targets for rural electrification, in building world class infrastructure or in providing drinking water facilities across households.

In the last nine years, there has been a paradigm shift in public service delivery and the implementation of government schemes using the JAM Trinity-Jan Dhan, Aadhar, and Mobile. JAM Trinity is the key enabler of India's transformed and well-developed digital landscape. It has removed intermediaries and permits direct transfer of benefits into an intended beneficiary's bank account.

For a country to prosper, it is imperative that its

infrastructure grows rapidly and the government under PM Modi's dynamic leadership understands this. The completion of infrastructure projects that were delayed over decades, as well as starting and completing new ones has been the cornerstone of this government's developmental approach.

In stark contrast to the earlier piece-meal approach to development, the Modi government has brought in a culture of holistic development that leaves no one behind. The massive expansion of welfare coverage over the last nine years has motivated all Indians to dream big and aspire for greater achievements.

The expansive and holistic reach of development and welfare schemes has ensured irreversible empowerment for various marginalised groups, helping them become aspirational and self-reliant.

The world is now realizing that development which is not sustainable,

is not real development, and has long term consequences for the human race. This is in line with ancient Indian philosophy which has always valued nature and environment. Under PM Modi, India has championed environmental protection globally, emerging as a leader of the movement. Like environment, under PM Modi's leadership, India is also committed towards preservation, and promotion of its rich cultural heritage. The United Nations declared June 21st as International Yoga Day, an acknowledgement of the global recognition of Indian heritage.

After first assuming elected office in 2001 as Chief Minister of Gujarat and then becoming the Prime Minister of India in 2014, Narendra Modi has set a new benchmark in reforms and governance which has become a model for inclusive development not just for India but for many parts of the world. He has not only encouraged people to aspire but also provided adequate government support for fulfilling their rising aspirations so every Indian, in 'Amrit Kaal', can be a part of India's growth

story.

This book is a comprehensive compendium about India's transformation under PM Modi's visionary leadership across fourteen facets of policymaking, ranging from infrastructure to foreign policy to social justice. This is the story of nine years of serving the underserved, empowering women, providing opportunities to the youth, and celebrating the farmer. This is the story of new India.

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*Be it DBT,  
or plans to provide facilities like  
electricity, water, toilets to poor  
people, all these have brought a  
revolution at the grassroots level.*

*These schemes have filled the  
poorest of the poor in the country  
with a sense of respect and  
security.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# SERVING THE POOR AND MARGINALIZED

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# OVERVIEW

The Constitution treats every Indian citizen as equal, and guarantees a life of dignity for each of them. Yet despite several decades since independence, many Indians continued to lack the basics to lead a life with dignity. This had to change, and change rapidly. Since 2014, the government led by Prime Minister Narendra Modi has been committed to a model of development that ensures that no one is left behind. Development that guarantees basic facilities such as drinking water, electricity connections, healthcare, toilets, LPG cylinders, education, and financial inclusion to all, and not just to a select few.

In the last nine years, the Modi government has launched and implemented several welfare schemes to empower every Indian.

The results of such irreversible empowerment can be seen in programmes like MUDRA Yojana and Stand Up India, which are creating a large pool of young entrepreneurs from marginalised groups. More than half of the 40 crore loans given under MUDRA have been given to SC/ST/OBC entrepreneurs. This is ushering empowerment of not just individuals, but is also a means

to empower the traditionally neglected communities.

In line with its welfare programme, the Modi government's historic decision to provide reservations for economically weaker sections provided much-needed support to poor households.

As part of its vision of inclusive development, the government has undertaken many reforms to empower Divyangjan, Transgender persons, Denotified and Nomadic tribes, and other such hitherto unserved or underserved groups. The government's resolve for social justice was evident in its decision to implement OBC and EWS reservations in all India quota seats in medical education, ensuring that students from these groups can also aspire to become doctors in affordable government colleges. Likewise, under the Namaste scheme, the government aims to eradicate unsafe sewer and septic tank cleaning practices, so that sanitation workers can lead a life of dignity.

An integral element of PM Modi's government has been the effort to recognize icons of social empowerment. For instance, to commemorate the sacrifices

of brave tribal fighters for the country, the government has declared November 15 of every year, Bhagwan Birsa Munda's Jayanti as Janjatiya Gaurav Divas. This kind of recognition builds pride among communities by highlighting their contribution to nation-building.

The government's efforts to extend welfare provisioning and poverty alleviation have received recognition from global institutions. A recent IMF paper has credited the Modi government for ending extreme poverty in the country. The Global Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), released by the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) and the Oxford Poverty and Human Development Initiative (OPHI) has also credited India with a reduction in all ten of its Multidimensional Poverty Indicators. Serving the poor and the marginalized has been the underlying promise of the Modi government, a promise that is guided by the principle of 'Antyodaya' which means that the goal of development isn't complete till it reaches the last person in society.

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# AT A GLANCE

**80 crore**

people getting  
free food grains  
under **PM Garib  
Kalyan Anna Yojana**

**11.88  
crore**

households with tap  
water connections

Over **3 crore**  
urban and rural  
houses under **PM  
Awaz Yojana**

**11.72  
crore**

toilets built under  
**Swachh Bharat**

**34.45  
lakh**

street vendors got  
loans through  
**PM SVANidhi**

**39.65  
crore**

loans to small  
entrepreneurs under  
**MUDRA Yojana**

**Constitutional  
status**

to National  
Commission of  
Backward Classes

Cash transfers to  
**20 crore**

women during  
COVID lockdown

Loans of over  
**Rs. 7,351 crore**  
to SC and ST  
beneficiaries under  
**Stand Up India**

**60%**

of current  
ministers are  
SC, ST, or OBC

**Five  
times more**

Eklavaya Residential  
schools sanctioned  
since 2014 as  
compared to earlier

**117  
Aspirational  
Districts**

have surpassed their  
respective state average  
on development  
parameter

## Antyodaya and saturation coverage end appeasement

Welfare schemes from 2014 have been motivated by the **principle of Antyodaya** (no one is left behind). It means the government is targeting 100% saturation in every scheme.

100% coverage means everyone will get the benefits of governance!



### Irreversible empowerment for marginalised groups

- Earlier, the attitude of certain governments was to patronise the marginalised groups by ensuring some **piecemeal benefits**.
- They wanted to **keep the people dependent** on them, and hence, irreversible empowerment was denied.
- But now, PM Modi has ensured a shift from patronage-based support to **irreversible empowerment**.
- Schemes like Stand Up India and MUDRA Yojana are empowering individuals from marginalised groups by providing entrepreneurship opportunities.
- These entrepreneurs will shape aspirations and become **role models for the entire community**.

### Ending the politics of low expectations and low delivery

- Once a gas connection is given, an electricity connection is given or a tap water connection is given, **none can take it away**.
- Further, the poor become aspirational and have **higher expectations** since their basic needs are met.
- This creates greater expectations from governments and pushes them to deliver more.
- For a long time, India was **harmed by politics of low delivery and low expectations**. But now, that is being changed by PM Modi.

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# MILESTONES

## BIG NUMBERS IN A GOVERNMENT THAT THINKS BIG FOR THE POOR.

During the last nine years, crores of households got access to some of the most basic facilities for the first time ever.

**48.27 crore**  
Jan Dhan Accounts

**29.75 crore**  
people covered by  
PM Suraksha Bima Yojana

**13.53 crore**  
people covered by  
PM Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana

**37 crore**  
Ayushman Bharat  
Health Accounts created

Over **3 crore**  
houses under PM Awas Yojana  
(Urban and Gramin)

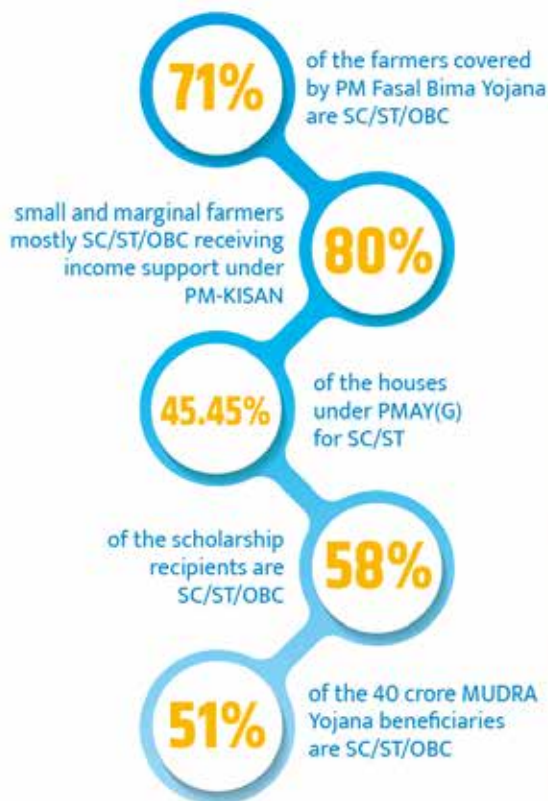
Over **Rs 25 lakh crore**  
directly transferred into  
beneficiary bank accounts

**2.86 crore**  
households electrified  
under SAUBHAGYA

**9.6 crore**  
LPG connections provided  
under Ujjwala Yojana



# PRIORITIZING THE MARGINALISED



## Mindset change in public service delivery

### THEN

Out of every rupee sent by the government, only fifteen paise reached those for whom it was intended.

### NOW

My dream is saturation. We should move towards 100% coverage. Government machinery should get used to this.



Sabka Saath  
Sabka Vikas  
Sabka Vishwas  
Sabka Prayas

## INCLUSIVE GOVERNANCE

Highest ever representation for SCs, STs, and OBCs in the Union Council of Ministers.

Introduction of **10% EWS quota** in higher education.

Reservation for **OBCs and EWS** in All India Quota seats in medical education.

**Constitutional status** to the National Commission for Backward Classes.

Protection of rights of transgender persons through '**The Transgender Persons (Protection of Rights) Act 2019**'.

Launch of **Nasha Mukht Bharat Abhiyan** to sensitise youth against drug use.

Establishing the National Commission for De-notified, Nomadic and Semi-Nomadic Tribes.

Divyangjan benefitted from the number of recognised disabilities being revised **from 7 to 21**.



## DID YOU KNOW ?

The Ministry of Social Justice and Empowerment conducts camps to distribute assistive equipment to Divyangjan. Since 2014, nearly 13,528 camps have been conducted, empowering over 24.45 lakh Divyangjan.



# SOCIAL SECURITY AND EMPOWERMENT OF WORKERS

## Thinking of platform workers

The growth of new age platforms such as aggregators has meant new kinds of jobs for workers. **India is among the first few countries to think of social security for them.**

Provision has been made for a contribution from aggregators between 1-2% of turnover, up to 5%, for providing benefits to them.

## E-SHRAM

## FOR EMPOWERMENT

**28.85 crore** unorganised workers registered on the portal

**400** occupations, skill sets, education, income, social category, bank account details, captured

**26** States/UT's onboarded e-Shram for data sharing to facilitate targeted delivery of social welfare schemes to unorganised workers

## PRADHAN MANTRI SHRAM-YOGI MAANDHAN PENSION FOR UNORGANISED SECTOR WORKERS

**49.29 LAKH**

unorganised sector workers registered

**RS 3,000**

is the minimum pension they get after the age of 60



# REDUCING BURDEN, IMPROVING COMPLIANCE

Employees' State Insurance Corporation contribution rates reduced

Employers' contribution reduced from 4.75% to 3.25%

Employees' contribution reduced from 1.75% to 0.75%

## COVID-19 RELIEF FOR WORKERS

**24%**

-Proportion of the monthly wages paid to the EPF accounts of workers drawing wages less than Rs. 15,000 per month

**Rs 19,126.30 crore**

-Amount disbursed by EPFO offices to 91.69 lakh workers as COVID-19 advance

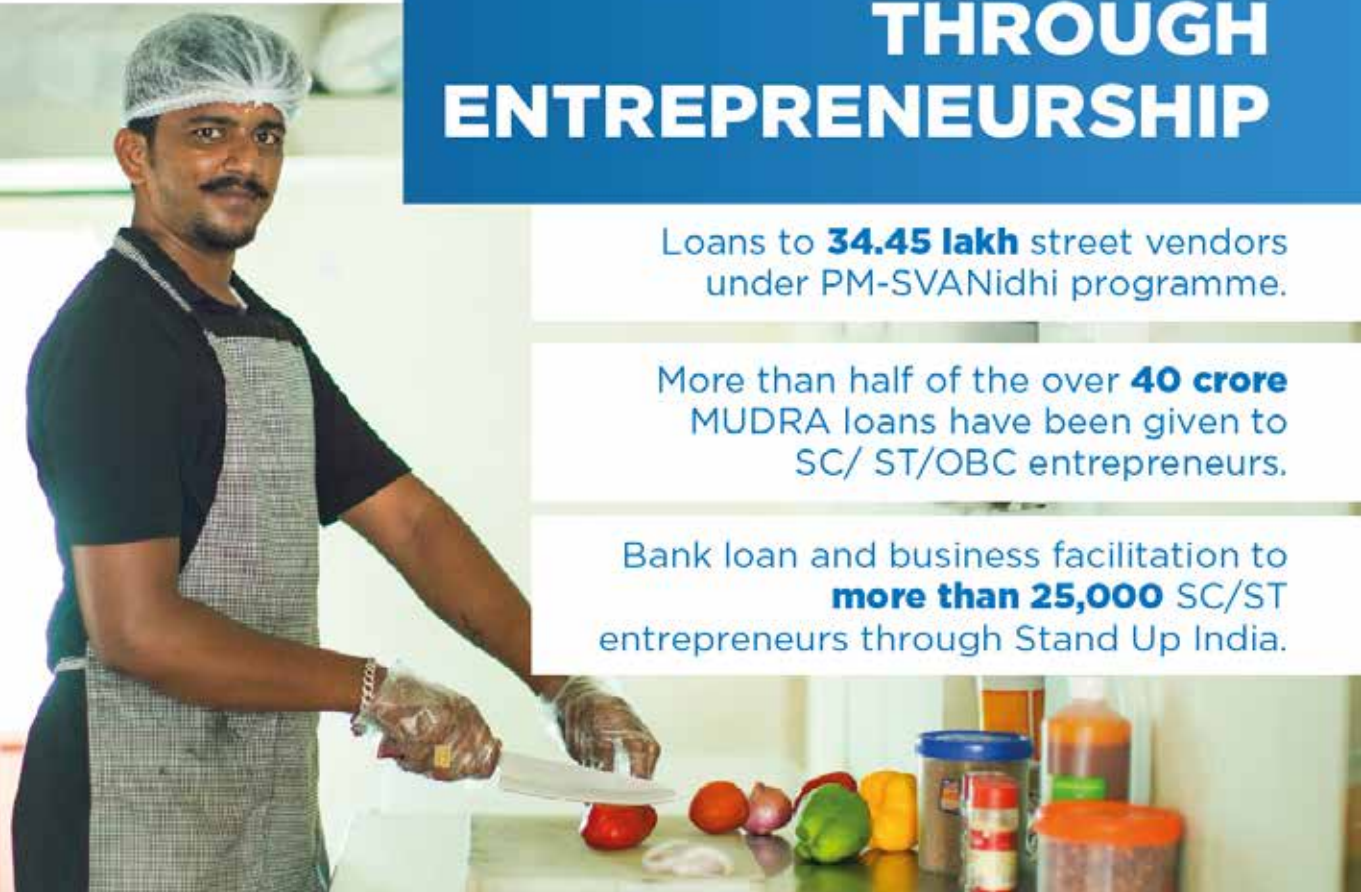


## EMPOWERMENT THROUGH ENTREPRENEURSHIP

Loans to **34.45 lakh** street vendors under PM-SVANidhi programme.

More than half of the over **40 crore** MUDRA loans have been given to SC/ ST/OBC entrepreneurs.

Bank loan and business facilitation to **more than 25,000** SC/ST entrepreneurs through Stand Up India.

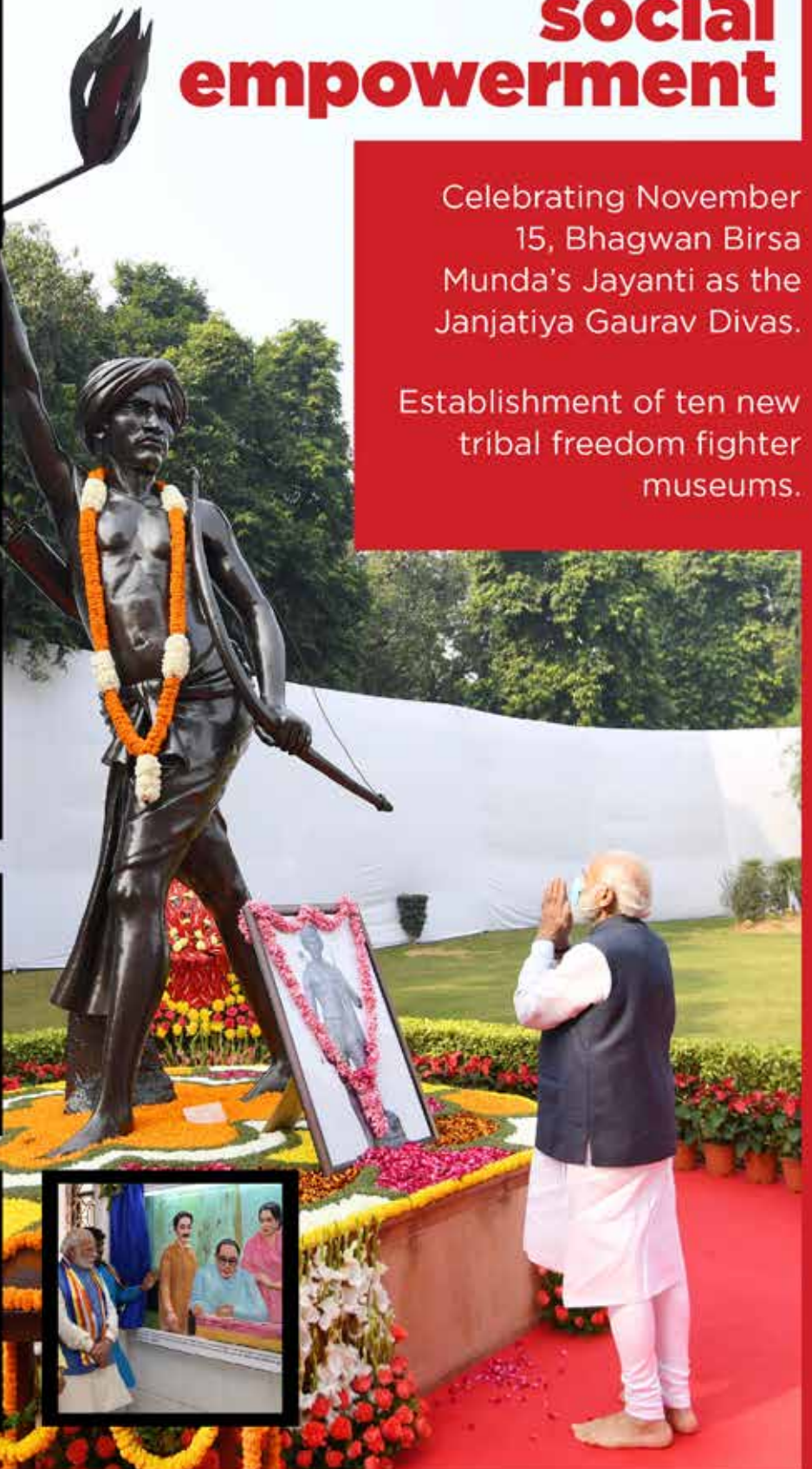


# Recognizing icons of **social empowerment**

Five prominent sites associated with Dr. B. R. Ambedkar redeveloped as the 'Panchteerth'

Celebrating November 15, Bhagwan Birsa Munda's Jayanti as the Janjatiya Gaurav Divas.

Establishment of ten new tribal freedom fighter museums.



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*Increasing the income of the farmers, reducing the cost of farming, providing modern facilities to the farmers from seed to market is the priority of our government.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# ENSURING FARMER WELFARE

# 2



# OVERVIEW

The Farmers, agriculture, and its allied activities have always been key elements of India's socio-cultural life and economy. In the last nine years, Indian agriculture has received new impetus, guided by Prime Minister Narendra Modi's "Beej Se Bazaar Tak" approach which stands out for its comprehensiveness.

The government has extended income support with PM Kisan Samman Nidhi, providing farmers with an assured cash transfer of Rs. 6,000 per year through Direct Benefit Transfer. This supplemental income received through regular instalments has cut out intermediaries and enabled even small and marginal farmers to purchase better quality inputs, improve their land productivity, and increase their income.

To offset the inherent risks associated with agriculture, the government introduced the Pradhan Mantri Fasal Bima Yojana, an agricultural insurance system that provides a safety net for farmers against uncontrollable factors like unseasonal rain, pest damage, post-harvest losses etc. In the same way, the Pradhan Mantri Krishi Sinchayee Yojana has expanded irrigation coverage.

The results are for all to see. During the Covid hit period

of 2021-22, India's foodgrain production touched a new record with estimates for 2022-23 indicating even higher production. There has been buoyant growth in the horticulture sector too. The allied sectors of Indian agriculture - livestock, forestry & logging and fishing & aquaculture are witnessing robust growth and becoming a potential source for improving farmer's income. The dairy sector which employs more than eight crore farmers is doing well. India ranks first in the world in milk production, third in egg production, third in fish production, and eighth in meat production. To unlock the growth potential of the agriculture and allied sector, the Government has introduced Agricultural Infrastructure Fund. It is a financing facility operational from the year 2020-21 to 2032-33 for the creation of post-harvest management infrastructure and community farm assets.

The United Nations declared 2023 as the International Year of Millets. Termed "Shree Anna" to highlight its value as a superfood, Millets, one of the oldest cultivated crops by humans, are also the crops of the future. In the words of the Prime Minister himself, "Millets are good for the consumer, cultivator, and the climate."

A priority for the government since 2014 has been the modernization of Indian agriculture. The use of Soil Health Cards issued by the government has helped farmers make efficient use of various inputs and maximize their yield. Through multiple programmes like the National Mission on Natural Farming (NMNF) which promotes chemical-free and climate smart agriculture, small farmers are being encouraged to adopt natural and organic farming. This has led to lower investments on inputs, higher income of the farmers and protection from the perils of climate change and various uncertainties.

To achieve the aim of "Beej Se Bazaar Tak" strengthening forward linkages of agriculture is necessary for improving the condition of farmers. Linking agriculture markets throughout the country through the e-NAM initiative has brought transparency and increased competition in agriculture markets.

The last nine years have seen a paradigm shift in Indian agriculture sector, making it modern, scientific and prosperous. Today, the Indian farmer isn't just cultivating for India, but is confidently eyeing the world as a marketplace for its wide-ranging products.

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# AT A GLANCE

**5.7-fold**  
rise in agriculture  
budget in 2022-23  
over 2013-14

**Rs. 1 lakh  
crore**  
through Agriculture  
Infrastructure Fund

More than  
**11 crore**  
**PM Kisan**  
beneficiaries

Nearly  
**23 crore**  
**Soil Health Cards**  
distributed

**109.7%**  
growth in non-  
basmati rice exports  
from FY 2013-14  
to 2021-22

**1500%**  
increase in  
**oilseeds**  
procurement at MSP

**7350%**  
increase  
in **pulses**  
procurement  
at MSP

Total Fertilizer  
subsidy increased by  
**500%**  
in 2022-23 from  
2021-22

**Rs. 20  
lakh crore**  
agriculture credit  
to be provided  
in 2023-24

Over **Rs. 1.33  
lakh crore** settled  
in claims under  
**PM Fasal Bima  
Yojana**

**Rs. 93,068  
crore** allocated for  
**PM Krishi Sinchayee  
Yojana** for 2021-26

**1,260 Mandis**  
now linked through  
**eNAM**

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## PROTECTING FARMERS from risk

### Historic rise in MSP

MSP at 50% more than cost has protected farmers from price distortions.

### Assured income through PM Kisan

Over 11 crore farmers get Rs. 6,000 annually as assured income.

### Crop insurance at nominal cost

Rs. 1.33 lakh crore worth claims paid to insured farmers.

### Reducing rainfall dependence

99 irrigation projects with an investment of Rs. 77,595 crore have been taken up.

### Compensation more accessible

Percentage of crop loss for which compensation is paid capped at 33%. Earlier, it was 50%



### Beej se Bazaar Tak

- The Modi government has stood by Indian farmers and provided support across various stages of the agriculture cycle.
- **From seeds to soil health, from insurance to irrigation, from MSP to markets** – a comprehensive approach has led to the empowerment of farmers at every step.

### Market linkages to improve farmers' income

- **eNAM:** Unified national market has increased competition, provided better price discovery.
- **Farmer Producer Organisations:** Sale through FPOs is facilitating better prices and higher returns for farmers.
- **Forward linkages:** Number of mega food parks has shot up from 2 in 2014 to 23 as on 31.03.2023.

### Start-up ecosystem in agriculture

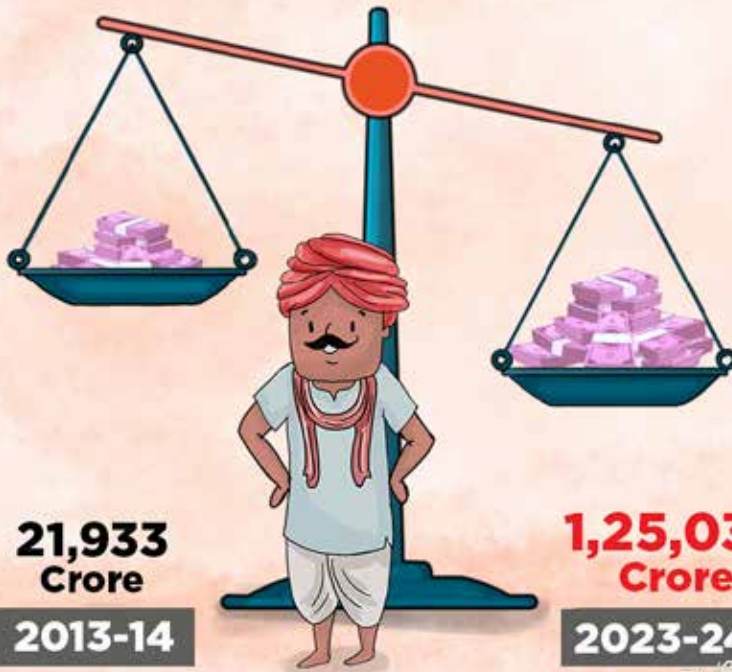
- 1138 start-ups in agriculture and allied sectors from 2019-20 to 2022-23 were sanctioned 124.2 crores of grant-in-aid.

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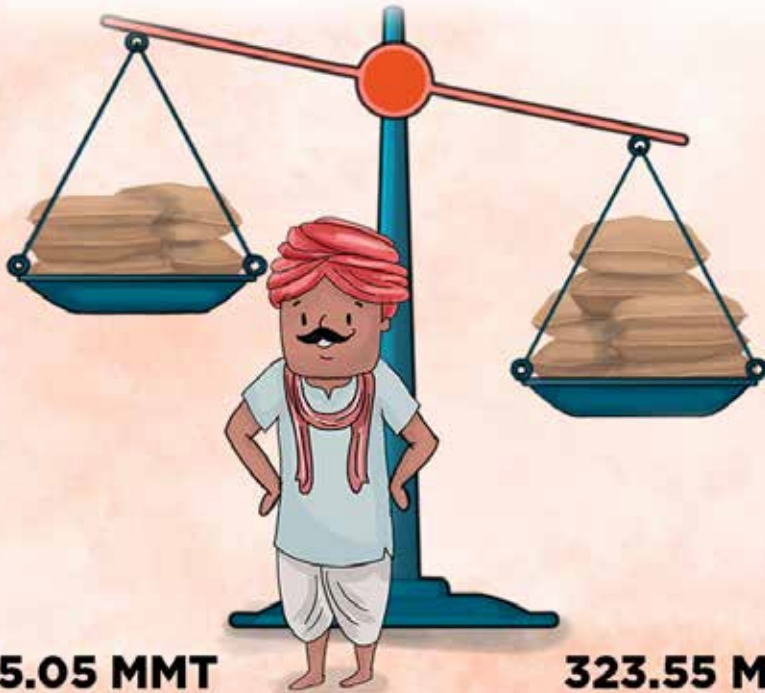


# MILESTONES

**5.7 fold rise in budget allocation for agriculture**



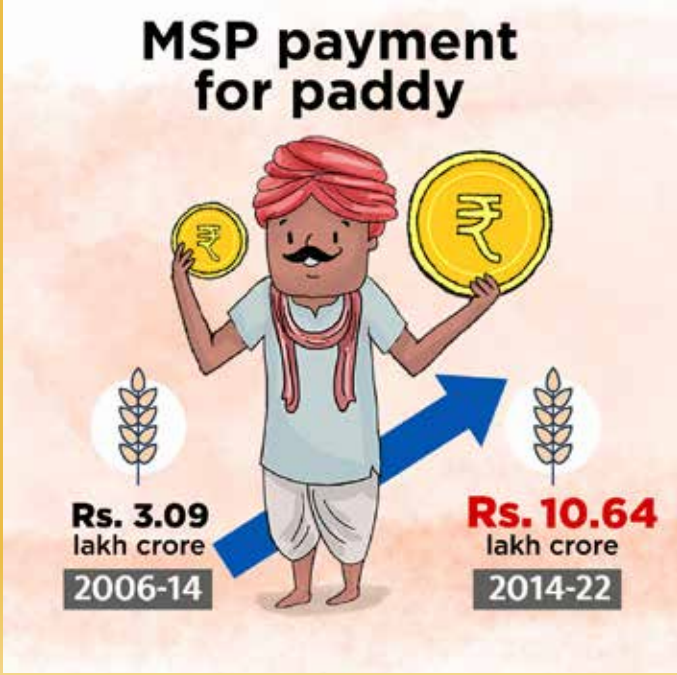
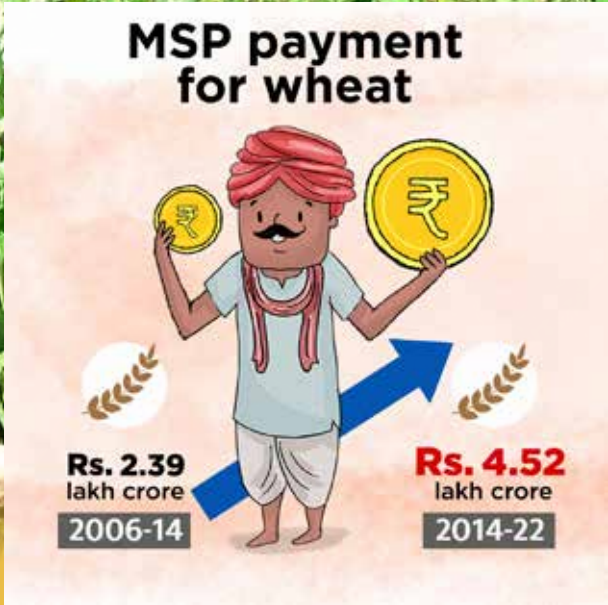
# Highest ever! Record food grain production



**265.05 MMT**  
**2013-14**

**323.55 MMT**  
**2022-23**







# Adding to farmers' income sources



▶ Promoting income generation through installation of solar panels on barren land.

Annual milk production rose 51.05% from 2014-15 to 2021-22



▶ Separate Department of Fisheries for increased focus.

Export of honey doubled in the last 9 years.



▶ Ethanol procurement up from 38 crore litres in 2013-14 to over 434 crore litres in 2021-22.

# Pulses

Modi government  
turned the sector around

## THEN

Low cultivation,  
minimal  
procurement, high  
import dependence,  
and exorbitant  
consumer prices.

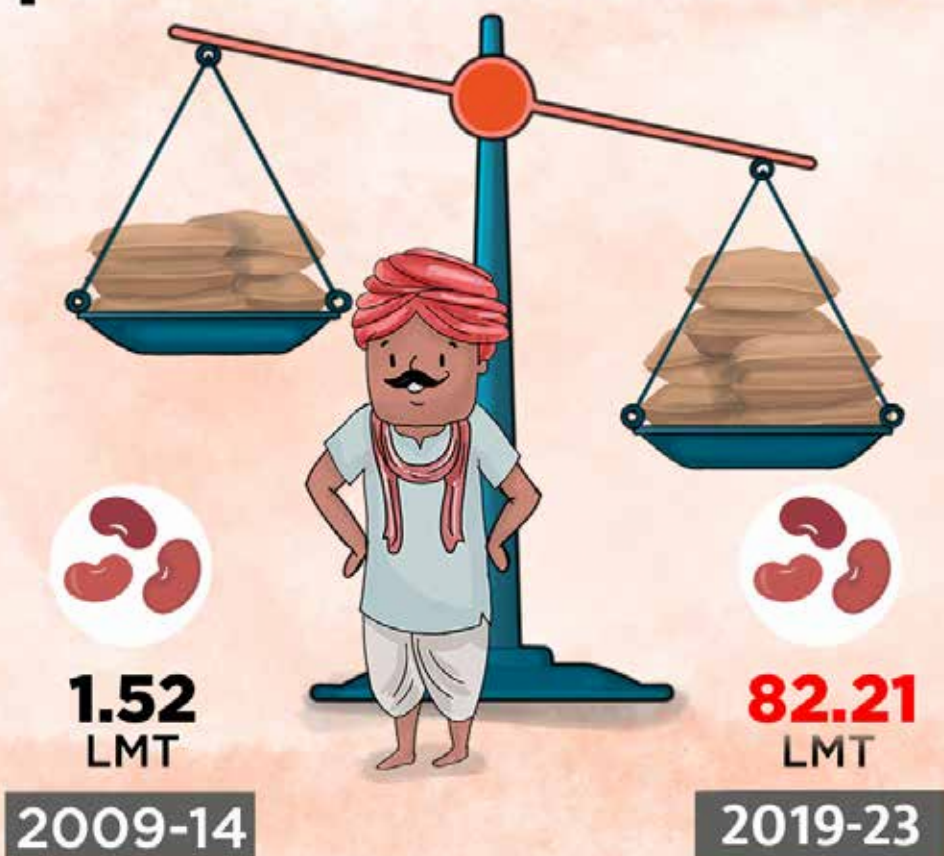
## NOW

High cultivation,  
surge in  
procurement due to  
high MSP, low import  
dependence, and  
affordable prices  
for consumers

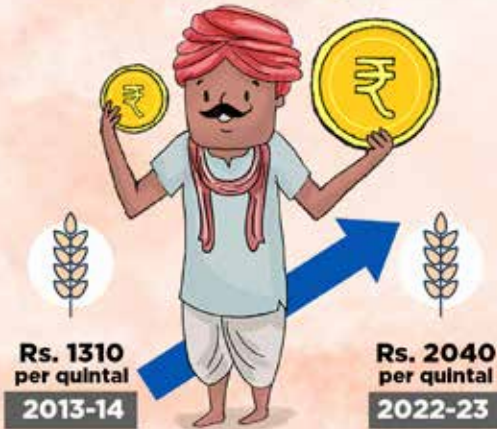
## INTERNATIONAL YEAR OF MILLETS (SHREE ANNA)

Recognising the importance of coarse grains in providing nutritious food to the people and creating indigenous and global demand, the Government of India, on the initiative of Prime Minister Narendra Modi, played a leading role in declaring **2023** the **International Year of Millets** in the **United Nations General Assembly**. India's proposal was supported by 72 countries and in March 2021 itself, the United Nations declared the year 2023 as the International Year of Millets.

# 54.08-fold rise in pulses procurement at MSP



## MSP payment for paddy



## MSP payment for wheat



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*From urban women to women living in villages, women engaged in business, or women busy with household chores, the government has taken many steps over last 9 years to make their lives easier.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# NEW MOMENTUM FOR NARI SHAKTI

# 3



# OVERVIEW

India's development is inextricably linked to the development of its women. With this acknowledgment, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government in the last nine years has put Nari Shakti at the forefront of India's development journey.

The Modi government understands that empowerment is not a one-stop solution, rather it requires a lifecycle-based approach towards women empowerment. In this regard, welfare programmes for women are designed in a manner to support them at different stages of life to overcome socio-economic barriers to their empowerment.

Mission Poshan, is an integrated nutrition support programme to address the challenges of malnutrition in children, adolescent girls, pregnant women, and lactating mothers through a strategic shift in nutrition content and delivery and by the creation of a convergent ecosystem to develop and promote practices that nurture health, wellness, and immunity. Mission Shakti which comprises two sub-schemes 'Sambal' and 'Samarthya' for the safety, security, and empowerment of women. The existing schemes of One Stop Centres (OSC), Women Helplines (181-WHL), and Beti Bachao Beti Padhao (BBBP) together with a new component

of Nari Adalat have been made part of the Sambal sub-scheme; while the schemes of Pradhan Mantri Matru Vandana Yojana (PMMVY), Shakti Sadan (Ujjwala & Swadhar Greh), Working Women Hostel (Sakhi Niwas) and National Creche Scheme (Palna) have been subsumed in 'Samarthya'.

The impact of this approach has been evident in the outcomes, such as an improved sex ratio at birth which is now for the first time 1020 women per 1000 men, a rise in institutional deliveries, declining infant mortality, and a lower maternal mortality rate.

For Modi government providing women a life of dignity is a fundamental promise of governance. This promise manifests itself in the increased usage of LPG cylinders under the Ujjwala Yojana which has saved crores of women from chronic respiratory disorders through smoke-free kitchens. With the success of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, crores of women are now able to access toilets in their homes without any fear of safety or violation of dignity. Walking long distances to fetch water for daily consumption is becoming a thing of the past as households across the county are getting tap water connections under the Jal Jeevan Mission.

Women empowerment is contingent upon the economic empowerment of women. Programmes such as MUDRA Yojana in which 68% of loans have been extended to women have enabled crores of women across the country to pursue micro-level entrepreneurship and become financially independent. To promote financial inclusion among women, Mahila Samman Savings Certificate was introduced as part of the Union Budget 2023-24, which is a small savings scheme exclusively for female investors.

Under PM Awas Yojana, women are being made owners of the family home thus becoming active participants in household decision-making.

In the 9 years of the Modi government, women have grown from strength to strength. Their success can be seen in the significant increase in the numbers of female police personnel, in the laurels won by sportswomen for the country, and in the enrolment of women in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering & Maths. The government has transformed women from being targets of welfare to agents of empowerment. Today it is no longer women development, but women-led development.

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# AT A GLANCE

For the first time in India,  
**1,020**  
women per 1,000 men (NFHS-5)

**Paid maternity leave**  
increased from 12 weeks to  
**26 weeks**

**3.94 crore**  
free antenatal check-ups conducted under  
**PM Surakshit Matritva Abhiyan**

More than  
**3.03 crore**  
women paid under  
**PM Matru Vandana Yojana**

Over  
**27 crore**  
sanitary pads ensured at Re. 1 in  
**Jan Aushadhi Kendras**

**3.18 crore**  
**Sukanya Samridhi Yojana**  
accounts

**9.6 crore**  
smoke-free kitchens

**68.9%**  
of nearly 2.5 crore  
**PM Awas-Gramin**  
beneficiaries are women

Over  
**27 crore**  
MUDRA LOANS to Women beneficiaries

**Permanent commission**  
for women in Armed Forces

**Sex ratio**  
increased from 991 in NFHS-4 to **1020** in NFHS-5

**Maternal Mortality Rate**  
has declined to 97 in 2018-20

# POINTS TO REMEMBER





## Why women support PM Modi - Social transformation for women empowerment

- Proposal to **raise marriageable age of women** from 18 years to 21 years helps with education and employment.
- **Law against Triple Talaq** protects Muslim women from exploitation.
- **Increase in paid maternity leave** period from 12 weeks to 26 weeks makes work-life balance possible for working women.
- **Scrapping of Article 35A** has given rights to women in J&K that were historically denied.

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## Removing drudgery from the daily life of women In rural or semi-urban areas, even getting basic necessities used to be a battle for women. But, not anymore.

 <p>Women walked long distances to lakes, ponds or borewells and brought back heavy loads of water.</p> <p>Women inhaled smoke from wood-fired kitchens. They went out to collect firewood for cooking.</p> <p>Women had to go to isolated places to relieve themselves, endangering their health, safety and dignity.</p> <p>Kerosene lamps harmed respiratory health and eyesight of people in poor families, especially women and children</p>	 <p><b>THEN</b></p> <p><b>NOW</b></p> <p>More than 11.88 crore tap water connections.</p> <p>Ujjwala Yojana's 9.6 crore LPG connections freed women from respiratory diseases.</p> <p>Swachh Bharat's 11.72 crore toilets have removed these worries. Income generation opportunities through non-biodegradable waste management set-ups</p> <p>2.86 crore SAUBHAGYA electricity connections have made kerosene lamps a matter of the past.</p>
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# MILESTONES



## DID YOU KNOW?

69% of 40 crore borrowers under MUDRA Yojana are women entrepreneurs. And almost half of the government recognised start-ups are led by women!



# Comprehensive support through lifecycle based approach

## Birth

### **Battle:**

Being born

### **Weapon:**

Beti Bachao  
Beti Padhao

### **Outcomes:**

India's overall sex ratio rises to 1,020 (per 1,000 males) (NFHS-5)



## Girl Child

### **Battle:**

Access to nutrition

### **Weapon:**

Mission  
POSHAN

### **Outcomes:**

A total outlay of over Rs. 1.81 lakh crore to ensure proper nutrition



## Schooling

### **Battle:**

Access to separate toilets

### **Weapon:**

Swachh  
Vidyalaya  
ensured toilets in every school

### **Outcomes:**

9.52 lakh separate toilets for girls in schools constructed



## Education

### **Battle:**

Access to financial assistance

### **Weapon:**

45 lakh girls/women got scholarships

### **Outcomes:**

Over 3.18 crore Sukanya Samriddhi A/cs holding Rs. 80,000 crore



Women face battles at every step, every decision, and every stage. But the Modi government has initiatives that act as weapons to help them in each such stage.

### Employment

**Battle:**

Access to opportunities

**Weapon:**

Reduced EPFO contribution for new women employees

**Outcomes:**

Reduction in contribution from 12% to 8%



### Serving the nation

**Battle:**

Entry restricted into armed forces

**Weapon:**

Permanent commission for women across wings



### Entrepreneurship

**Battle:**

Access to funds

**Weapon:**

Over 27 crore MUDRA loans given to women



### Family

**Battle:**

Decision-making power

**Weapon:**

70% of over 2.5 crore PMAY-Gramin homes have women as sole/joint owners



# India's overall sex ratio rises to 1,020

(per 1,000 males)  
for the first time ever



## Maternal Mortality Rate







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*Our youth are leading the country's Amrit Yatra with the vision of a developed India.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# EMPOWERING INDIA'S AMRIT-PEEDHI

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# OVERVIEW

Prime Minister Narendra Modi has famously said “The world has admitted that India has two limitless powers - demography & democracy.” India currently has the world’s largest young population, and the government under Prime Minister Modi is committed to harnessing its potential to the fullest.

The National Education Policy (NEP) of 2020 overhauled the existing education system after over thirty years. NEP envisions a paradigm shift in the Indian school and higher education system that is rooted in Indian ethos, is more learner-centric, and aims to make India a global knowledge superpower. In the last nine years alone, a record number of new IITs, IIMs, medical colleges, and universities have been opened across the country. Along with education, skilling, and upskilling have also been the focus of the Modi government. Since its launch, more than 1.37 crore youngsters have received skill training under the PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana, thereby improving their employment prospects.

The success of the Modi government’s prioritization of creating new formal jobs for

the youth can be seen in the massive rise in new Employee Provident Fund Organisation accounts. Consistent efforts to transform India into an attractive investment hub, assisting MSMEs and programmes such as Production Linked Incentive Scheme for domestic production have contributed towards creating employment opportunities for young Indians.

Rozgar Mela, a recruitment drive for 10 lakh Central government jobs has been launched by the government. The youth are also being given an opportunity to serve in the Armed Forces under the Agnipath scheme. It will provide a fresh lease of ‘Josh’ and ‘Jazba’ in the Armed Forces, whilst at the same time bringing about a transformational shift towards a more tech-savvy force.

The focus has not been just to create employment but also to build entrepreneurship, transforming the youth from job seekers to job creators. Unlike earlier when people were risk averse and opted for salaried jobs, the youth today is raring to go because of the conducive policy environment. Through the Startup India programme

that was launched in 2016, the Modi government has taken numerous measures to promote entrepreneurship by providing a host of tax benefits, easing regulations and reducing the compliance burden.

Like entrepreneurship, sports was considered a distraction for most young people, and they were discouraged from pursuing it professionally. However, PM Modi brought a crucial behavioural and mindset change and introduced various policies that have allowed innumerable youngsters to fulfil their dream of pursuing sports as a career. India saw its best-ever performance in history during the Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics in 2021. This has been an outcome of long-term planning and support through the flagship Target Olympic Podium Scheme.

As India enters Amrit Kaal, its demographic dividend is uniquely poised to usher in an era of rapid social, economic, and technological innovation and advancement. The government in the last nine years has been fully committed to supporting the youth in all its goals and endeavours.

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# AT A GLANCE

## **National Education Policy**

after nearly  
four decades

## **100-fold jump**

in the number of  
recognised start-ups  
since 2016

**98** athletes in TOPS  
Core Group & **182** in  
TOPS Development  
Group are being  
supported through  
**TOPS  
programme**

## **Best ever Olympics**

(7 medals) and  
Paralympics  
(19 medals) in  
Tokyo 2020

## **1.37 crore**

people trained  
under  
**PM Kaushal  
Vikas Yojana**

## **7 new IIMs**

established,  
bringing the total  
to 20 as of 2022

## **14,500 schools**

to be upgraded and  
developed under  
**PM SHRI Yojana**

## **23 lakh direct and indirect jobs**

created by tech  
start-ups in  
2017-2021

## **Number of AIIMS tripled,**

at present  
23 AIIMS

## **7 new IITs**

opened across  
the country, total  
IITs now 23

## **61**

medals in  
**Commonwealth  
Games 2022**

## **390 new universities**

established

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## Indian youth: from job seekers to job creators

- PM Modi is changing societal mindset and creating wider **acceptance for risk takers**.
- Self-employment and entrepreneurship are becoming popular occupational choices.
- Various schemes are aimed at giving **institutional support to entrepreneurs**.

## 2021: A remarkable year for Indian sports

- India won the **highest ever medal tally** in its history in Tokyo Olympics and Paralympics.
- **Long-term planning** since 2014 led to this

record success.

- Extensive support to sportspersons through **TOPS** programme.
- Khelo India is **making sports a mass movement** and building a sporting culture across India.

## Ensuring jobs for young India

- Robust economic policies are creating lakhs of new employment opportunities annually.
- **Record goods exports** of over \$448 billion in 2022-23, of which massive engineering exports were a part.
- **1.37 crore people skilled** under PM Kaushal Vikas Yojana, improving employment prospects.

- **4.78 crore new EPFO subscribers added** between 2017 and January 2023 – each is one formal job!
- 1.2 crore new EPFO accounts added in 2021-22, **despite the pandemic**.
- Most surveys indicate robust hiring sentiment and **lesser unemployment than pre-pandemic years!**
- **MUDRA Yojana** supported crores of new entrepreneurs and created jobs.
- Tech start-ups created **23 lakh direct and indirect jobs** in the year 2017-2021 (NASSCOM)

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## Did you know?

### Direct Job Indicators

- Over 2.09 crore youth between the ages of 18-28 years added to EPFO since April 2020
- The Naukri Job Speak Index saw an impressive 41% rise from 1,925 in January 2021 to 2,716 in January 2022
- Promoting skilling, re-skilling, and upskilling in Capital Goods sector by creation of 46 Qualification packages (QPs) for skill levels 6 and above by the Skill Councils
- WRI Trichy under Capital Goods Scheme Phase - II is setting up infrastructure across India to train 5000 youths in latest welding technologies

### Indirect Job Indicators

- India's goods exports hit a record \$448 billion in 2022-23
- Engineering exports in Jan 2023 were 55.54% more than Jan 2022
- Apparel exports in 2021-22 showed a 30% growth. It is estimated that each additional \$1billion of apparel exports creates 1.5 lakh jobs!

# MILESTONES

## PM Modi's unwavering support for Indian youth's 'can do' spirit



### COMMITTED TO SUPPORTING START-UP CULTURE

"Another change that is now visible is that earlier if a youth launched any start-up, people used to say

'Why don't you do a job?  
Why a start-up?

But now people say -  
'Job is alright, but why don't you create your own start-up'?

And the first reaction to seeing young people who are already in start-ups is:  
'Wow, it is your start-up!'

**PM Modi's address at Prambh - Startup India International Summit 2021**



### ENCOURAGING YOUTH

"Today's youth has a "Can Do" spirit which is a source of inspiration for every generation."

**PM Modi's address at National Youth Festival 2022 (January 12, 2022)**



### ENABLING THEIR ENERGY

"I am fully committed to converting the energy of the youth into the energy of the country."

**PM Modi's address at interaction with start-ups (January 15, 2022)**

# MAKING INDIA A SPORTING POWER



## EFFORTS

Target Olympic Podium Scheme (TOPS) has provided comprehensive support to Indian athletes.

1,000 Khelo India centres being set up to find grassroots talent.

Over 4,639 athletes selected under Khelo India provided with assistance of Rs. 6.28 lakh/year.

## RESULTS

### Tokyo Olympics 2020

1 Gold,  
2 Silver, and  
4 Bronze,  
highest ever tally

### Commonwealth Games 2022

22 Gold,  
16 Silver, and  
23 Bronze

# Education expansion in 7 decades versus 9 years

7 decades (1947-2014)	9 years (Since 2014)	Total as of 2023
8 AIIMS	15 AIIMS approved/operational	23 AIIMS
641 medical colleges	700 medical colleges	1341 <sup>a</sup> medical colleges
82,466 medical seats	69,663 medical seats	1,52,129 medical seats
16 IITs	7 IITs	23 IITs
13 IIMs	7 IIMs	20 IIMs
723 universities (As on 2013-14 AISHE)	390 universities	1,113 universities

\*Medical includes Dental, Allopathy, Ayurveda, Homeopathy, others  
As per AISHE 2020-21



# PANCH PRAN OF AMRIT KAAL



**Goal of  
developed  
India**

**Sense of  
duty among  
citizens**

**To  
remove  
any trace of  
colonial  
mindset**

**Take  
pride in  
our roots**

**Unity  
among all  
Indians**

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*Our goal is wellness  
and welfare for everyone.  
Our goal is physical, mental and  
social well-being.*  
**- Narendra Modi**

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# EASE OF LIVING FOR INDIA'S MIDDLE CLASS

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# OVERVIEW

The mark of a dignified standard of living is to own a house with basic amenities such as piped water, cooking fuel, sanitation, electricity, and internet along with financial security through insurance, tax benefits, and easy access to public utilities. Since 2014, Prime Minister Narendra Modi's government has worked tirelessly to improve the quality of life of every Indian.

The Modi government in its endeavour to provide dignified life to all Indians has turned their dream of owning a house into a reality. The Modi government through its welfare programmes has ensured that citizens across all segments of society have access to basic facilities like banking, LPG connections, sanitation, electricity, tap water, affordable healthcare, and quality education. A reduction in interest rates and the Modi government's Credit Linked Subsidy Scheme under PM Awas Yojana has enabled people to buy their first home. Alongside this, strengthening the regulatory framework through steps such as the enactment of the Real Estate Regulatory Authority (RERA) Act 2016 has ensured that the lifetime earnings of citizens are protected by a legal framework that upholds the rights of homebuyers.

The Svamitva Scheme is a reformative step towards the establishment of clear ownership of property in rural inhabited

areas. It entails mapping land parcels using drone technology and providing a 'Record of Rights' to village household owners with the issuance of legal ownership cards (Property cards/Title deeds) to the property owners.

Lower taxation and affordable borrowing rates have led to massive savings for middle-class households and expanded their disposable income. Positive changes in income tax exemptions and direct tax reforms have reduced their tax burden and made tax filing simpler for the middle class. The Goods and Services Tax has led to a decline in a wide range of everyday expenses for consumers.

The Ude Desh Ka Aam Nagrik (UDAN) scheme, now in its sixth year has made air travel affordable, and convenient for the common man. It has provided air connectivity to numerous tier 2 and tier 3 cities and ensured that air travel is accessible to all. The number of operational airports in the country have doubled since 2014.

To ease transportation and daily commute for the urban citizen, a record number of metro rail projects have been approved and commissioned across several cities. Citizens are now shifting from private vehicles to public transportation and making

considerable savings without compromising on comfort.

The Digital Payment revolution unfolding in India has attracted global attention. In January 2023, about eight billion (800 crores) transactions worth nearly \$200 billion (Rs. 2 lakh crores approximately) were carried out on the Unified Payment Interface (UPI). The system is now used by close to 300 million individuals and 50 million merchants. Digital payments are being made for even the smallest of transactions, with nearly 50 per cent classified as small or micropayments.

Taking India's digital transformation and connectivity to new heights, Prime Minister Narendra Modi recently launched 5G services in India. It unlocks huge possibilities for India with high-tech technology and paves way to bring transformation in crucial areas including agriculture, health, education, transport, smart cities, Industry 4.0, financial inclusion, etc.

The government through various measures in the last nine years has focused on improving the daily life of its citizens. This push to improve quality of life for all Indians is in line with the larger vision of the Prime Minister of "Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas, Sabka Prayas."

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# AT A GLANCE

Income upto  
Rs 7 Lakh to get  
**full tax  
rebate**

**Decline**  
**Effective tax rate -**  
from 19.22% in 2013  
to 10.4% in 2022  
(Rs. 15 lakh p.a.)

More than  
**21,801 government  
services** accessible  
through  
**UMANG App**

**Rs. 25,000  
crore** under  
**SWAMIH fund**  
for stalled real  
estate projects

More than  
**1 Lakh  
cases**  
disposed off by  
**RERA** across the  
country

**CLSS  
reduced**  
home loan  
burden by  
**Rs. 59,048 crore**

Over  
**3 crore**  
urban and rural  
houses under **PM  
Awaz Yojana**

**Metro  
expanded**  
from 5 cities in 2014  
to **20 cities** in 2023

**Almost 1.16 crore**  
people have availed  
affordable air travel  
under **UDAN**

More than  
**12.90  
crore**  
**Digilocker** users

Cost of  
**internet data  
down by  
97%**

**ODF  
status**  
for **4,355 cities**

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## Taxes are no more a worry because...

- **E-filing** has become the norm.
- **Refunds** arrive in a matter of days, not months.
- Faceless assessments and appeals **reduce harassment**.
- Tax rates have actually **reduced!**

## A trusted government, a trusting government

- Modi government has created an **atmosphere of mutual trust**.
- By taking steps like enabling **self-attestation**, the government has shown it trusts citizens.
- The increase in the

number of IT returns from 3.91 crore for FY13-14 to 7.60 crore for FY22-23 shows that the **people trust the government** to use their taxes correctly!

## Owning a house within everyone's reach, whether poor or middle class

- **For the poor**, there is PM Awas Yojana in both rural and urban areas
- **The Credit Linked Subsidy scheme (CLSS)** for middle income group, which was operational from 01.01.2017 to 31.03.2021, has brought down interest rates on housing loans substantially. It has helped more than 6 lakh middle

class buyers to purchase their first home.

- **RERA** ensures timely delivery of homes, so that the money of homebuyers is not stuck.

## 'Ease of Travel' and improved connectivity

- **Expansion of metro rail** is making local travel in cities much easier for urban residents.
- **UDAN** scheme has enabled affordable air travel and connectivity to many tier 2 and tier 3 cities.
- **Car loan interest rates have fallen since 2014.**

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## Did you know?

- 40% of Indians are covered under Ayushman Bharat
- As per the National Health Accounts Estimates for India, the per Capita expenditure including Capital expenditure were Rs. 1261 in 2015-16, Rs. 1418 in 2016-17 and Rs. 1753 in 2017-18
- India registered 231% (83.4 crore) growth in Internet connections
- World's cheapest sanitary pads (Re. 1) are sold at more than 9,304 Janaushadhi Kendras
- At 26 weeks of paid maternity leave, India ranks higher than China, Singapore, Germany, and USA
- India added over 5,700 new colleges since 2014, that is almost 2 new colleges per day
- Vande Bharat Mission operated around 2.17 lakh flights and brought over 2.97 crore people home from all over the world

# MILESTONES

## Connecting India - Moving People, Not Just Vehicles

### Metro:

Metro connectivity used to be present in only 5 cities as of 2014. Now, it is in 20



### Electric Buses:

Electric Buses: 2435 electric buses now deployed across the country under FAME II

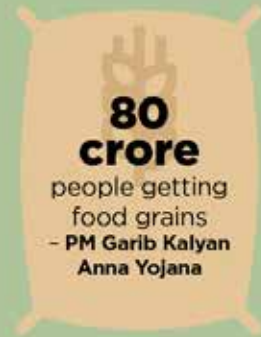


### Air Travel:

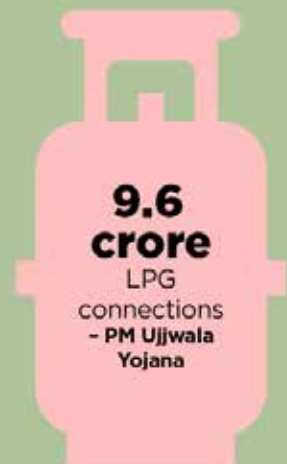
Number of operational airports almost doubled, from 74 in 2014 to 148 in 2023



PM Narendra Modi at the inauguration of New Integrated Terminal Building of Chennai Airport, in Tamil Nadu

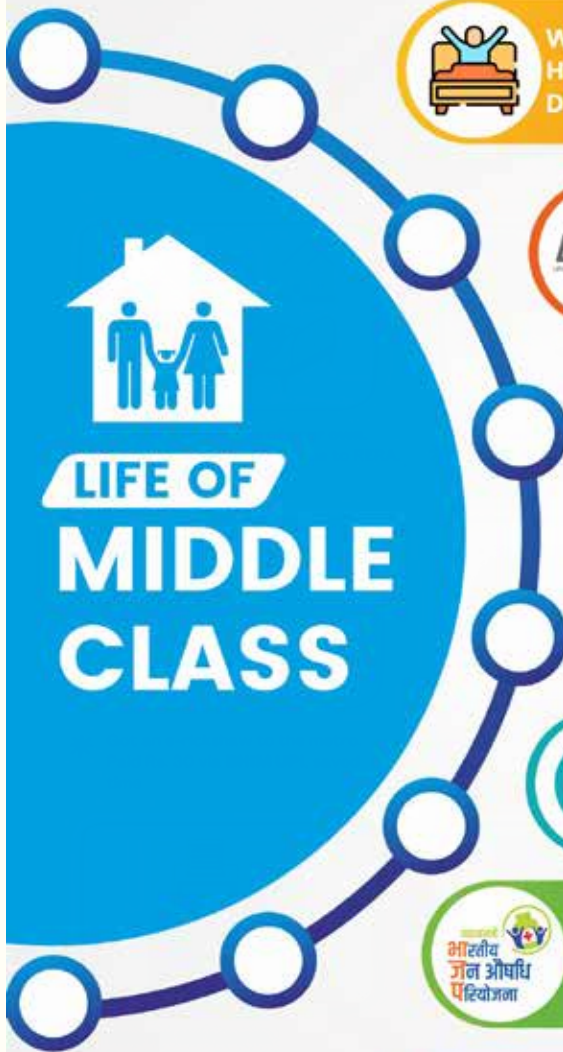


## Ease of Living: PM Modi's efforts to make the lives of citizens easier





# HOW EASE OF **LIVING** HAS BEEN **ENSURED**



WAKING UP IN YOUR OWN HOME DELIVERED ON TIME DUE TO RERA



PAYMENT FOR GROCERY SHOPPING & TRANSPORT BECOME EASY & FAST VIA BHIM UPI



TRAVELLING TO WORK MADE EASY BY METRO



EASY E-FILING MADE TIME FOR TAX RETURN SHORTER



INCOME TAX REFUNDS MADE WITHIN RECORD TIME



BUYING MEDICINES FOR PARENTS AT JAN AUSHADHI 50% LESSER THAN MARKET PRICE



MASSIVE SAVINGS ON ELECTRICITY BILLS DUE TO UJALA LED LIGHTS



**Rozgar Mela- the recruitment drive for 10 lakh personnel.**  
**Government working on multiple fronts simultaneously to create more and more jobs.**



**Savings for middle class - income tax**

**UNION BUDGET 2023-24**

**SUBSTANTIAL RELIEF IN PERSONAL INCOME TAX**

**CHANGE OF TAX STRUCTURE IN NEW PERSONAL INCOME TAX REGIME:**

- Tax slabs reduced to 5
- Tax exemption limit increased to Rs. 3 Lakh

Tax Slab (in lakh) / annum	Tax Rate (in %)
0-3	Nil
3-6	5
6-9	10
9-12	15
12-15	20
Above 15	30



**Mobile**

**120 crore subscriber**

- Simpler & faster flow of funds
- Accurate targeting of beneficiaries
- De-duplication & fraud reduction



**Aadhaar**

133 crore Aadhar numbers assigned



**Jan Dhan Accounts**

48.27 crore Jan Dhan accounts

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*We decided  
that no poor person should have  
to postpone his treatment due to  
lack of money. We tried to ensure  
that our poor families also get  
better treatment near their homes.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# AFFORDABLE, ACCESSIBLE HEALTHCARE FOR ALL

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# OVERVIEW

Health and wellness have been a key focus area for the Narendra Modi government during the last nine years.

This has been the crucial factor in India emerging victorious from a global pandemic, by administering over 220 crore doses of vaccines, as well as exporting a significant number of vaccines to the world in time of need.

Accessible and affordable quality healthcare, a priority for the government, has turned into a reality for the citizens of India. Previously, medical expenditure used to be a severe economic burden for low-income households and often led them into debt traps. In 2018, the Modi government launched Ayushman Bharat-Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana, the world's largest health insurance programme, thus giving permanent relief from this burden to nearly 22 crore beneficiaries. Further, the Ayushman Bharat Digital Mission (ABDM) is realising the vision of building a digitally connected healthcare ecosystem.

Over 25 crore health records of individuals have been linked to their Ayushman Bharat Health Accounts (ABHA). The digitally available health records will enable the ABHA holders in availing paperless health services across the ABDM network.

The government's telemedicine programme – eSanjeevani is bringing a revolution in the health sector of the country. Through it more than 10 crore beneficiaries have been able to access quality healthcare at their doorstep, thus bridging the urban-rural barrier in the provision of specialist medical care. Over 9000 Jan Aushadhi Kendras, located in more than 700 districts, are providing quality generic medicines at affordable prices to all.

The government has been committed to avoiding any suffering from vaccine-preventable diseases. In this regard, under various phases of Mission Indradhanush, 4.45 Crore Children and 1.2 Crore Pregnant Women have been vaccinated against 12 diseases. Due to this targeted government initiative, there has been a significant decline in Maternal Mortality Rate in the country from 130 in 2014-16 to 97 per lakh live births in 2018-20.

The Modi government has brought a crucial turnaround in medical education. Few government colleges, high fees in private medical colleges, and massive corruption in seat allocation had severely limited opportunities for medical education. In the last nine years, the Modi government has approved/established new

AIIMS in several States, and large number of new medical colleges. These include the first ever AIIMS in the Northeast in Assam. Further, the government's bold decision to replace the Medical Council of India with the National Medical Commission has ended corruption in medical education. In 'New India', talented students from humble backgrounds can also fulfill their dream of becoming a doctor.

India's quick and effective response to the Covid-19 pandemic was supported by its rollout of the world's largest vaccination drive and that too using indigenously developed vaccines. In a landmark shift from the past, when the citizens had to wait for decades for the start of vaccination drives, PM Modi led government ensured administration of more than 2.2 billion doses of Covid vaccine in a short span of two years.

In the last nine years, India has made huge strides in healthcare. A government that invests in healthcare invests in its people and thus the Narendra Modi-led government has truly been a government of the people, for the people, and by the people.

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# AT A GLANCE

**4.54  
crore**

hospital  
admissions under  
**Ayushman Bharat**

More than  
**1.59 lakh**

Ayushman Bharat  
**Health and Wellness  
Centres**

More than  
**9,304**  
**Jan Aushadhi**  
Kendras

Over  
**5.65 crore**  
mothers and  
children protected  
by **Mission**  
**Indradhanush**

**15**  
new AIIMS and  
**225**  
medical colleges  
being added

More than  
**3 crore**  
citizens purchased  
affordable  
medicines from  
**AMRIT pharmacies**

Over  
**220 crore**  
**COVID vaccine**  
**doses** administered

Over  
**37 crore**  
**Ayushman Bharat**  
**Health Accounts**  
created

**Approx. over**  
**Rs. 23,000**  
**crore**  
saved under Jan  
Aushadhi Kendras

Total  
**69,663**  
**medical seats**  
added since 2014

**1,500+**  
**PSA plants**  
sanctioned by the  
central government

**15**  
**crore**  
**teleconsultations**  
through HWCs

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## Ahead of the curve, due to proactive leadership

- At a time when many world leaders failed to even recognise COVID-19 as a threat, even before India had a single case, **screening began in airports.**
- Long before many other countries took it seriously, in the first week of March 2020, **PM Modi said he would avoid gatherings** such as Holi Milan and set an example.
- Mask mandates were enacted in large parts of India **long before the WHO** called for them.
- At a time when many countries were only thinking of massive mortalities, in April 2020, India had already **set up a vaccine task force** to save lives.
- India started using Rapid Antigen Tests to speed up testing long before WHO

recommended it.

- The fact that India went into an **early lockdown** has been universally acknowledged. This helped ramp up medical infra.

## Future-proofing India with PM-ABHIM

- PM-Ayushman Bharat Health Infrastructure Mission to invest **Rs. 64,180 crore** on health infra.
- Support for 17,788 rural health and wellness centres in 10 high focus states.
- Establishing 11,024 urban health and wellness centres in all the states.
- 3,382 block **public health units** in 11 high focus states.
- Setting up integrated **public health labs** in all districts.
- Establishing **critical care hospital blocks** in all districts with a population

of more than 5 lakh.

## Digital is the way – ABDHM

- With the success of CoWIN and Aarogya Setu, the **power of tech in healthcare** has been seen.
- Ayushman Bharat Digital Health Mission (ABDHM) is creating a seamless online platform for healthcare.
- Citizens create their ABHA (Ayushman Bharat Health Account) numbers, to which their **digital health records are linked.**
- With the citizen's consent, this data can be accessed by healthcare professionals.
- ABDM facilitates **evidence-based decision making** for effective health interventions.
- **37.07 crore ABHAs** have been created so far!

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## INDIA AND VACCINES – a slice of history and present

Vaccine	Global introduction	Introduction in India
COVID-19	December 2020	One Month
IPV	1955	60 Years
TT	1926	57 Years
BCG	1927	51 Years
Measles & Rubella	1971	46 Years
DPT	1948	30 Years
Hepatitis-B	1982	20 Years
Pneumococcal	2000	17 Years
Rotavirus	2006	10 Years

The speed at which India's COVID-19 vaccines were developed shows a New India that does not have to wait decades for vaccines or depend upon other countries.



# MILESTONES

## Comprehensive coverage for every healthcare need of the poor



### To prevent diseases

#### Mission Indradhanush

Over 5 crore pregnant mothers and children immunised  
Push for AYUSH and Yoga

### For primary care

#### Ayushman Bharat Health and Wellness Centres

1.5 lakh HWCs

Hypertension screenings - 35.43 crore

Diabetes screenings - 30.5 crore

Teleconsultations - 15 crore

Total screening of cancers at AB-HWCs(Oral, breast & cervical) - 37.5 crore



### For secondary and tertiary care

#### Ayushman Bharat - PMJAY

Health cover of Rs. 5 lakh

Ayushman cards - 23.19 crore

Hospital admissions - 4.54 crore

Treatments worth Rs. 54,758 crore

### For medicines

#### Jan Aushadhi Kendras

9,304 kendras sell medicines at lower prices

Approx. over Rs. 23,000 crore saved for citizens in the last 9 years



## Historic ramping up of infrastructure to fight COVID-19

Testing labs

14  
labs

March 2020



3390  
labs

Now

Domestic  
manufacturing  
capacity of  
PPE Kits

0

March 2020

20  
lakh  
per day



Now

ICU beds

2168

March 2020



1.44  
lakh

Now

Oxygen-supported  
beds

50,583

March 2020



5.14  
lakh

Now

# Innovative solutions improved **COVID MANAGEMENT**



## **Oxygen Express Trains**

Close to 900 Oxygen Express Trains delivered more than 36,840 Tonnes of liquid Oxygen.



## **Air Force**

Air Force deployed for transportation of cryogenic tankers.



## **Isolation Coaches**

Railways converted 4,176 coaches into quarantine/isolation facilities



## **Makeshift facilities**

Paramilitary forces and central agencies operated makeshift quarantine facilities



## **PSA plants**

1500+ PSA plants sanctioned by the central government.



## Speed and Scale of INDIA'S COVID VACCINATION

Consistent Efforts Achieving Major Milestones

> 2.5 crore doses administered in a day on 17<sup>th</sup> Sept'21



Days taken to vaccinate 100 crore - 279 (Oct 21, 2021)  
Days taken to vaccinate 150 crore - 358 (Jan 7, 2022)  
Days taken to vaccinate 200 crore - 548 (July 17, 2022)



PM Narendra Modi Inaugurates North East's first AIIMS  
in Guwahati, Assam

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*India has selected the theme of 'One Earth, One Family, One Future' for its G20 Presidency. It signals the need for unity of purpose and unity of action.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# NATION FIRST- FOREIGN POLICY & NATIONAL SECURITY

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# OVERVIEW

Over the past nine years, the Narendra Modi led Government has envisioned and executed a dynamic and transformative foreign policy that is outcome-oriented, development-focused and in harmony with the government's vision of "sabka saath, sabka vikas, sabka vishwas and sabka prayas".

The primary focus of India's foreign policy remains its immediate neighborhood, under the 'Neighborhood First Policy'. This is supported by the revitalized 'Act East', 'Think West' and 'Connect Central Asia' policies that seek to enhance our engagement in our extended neighborhood. The Government's vision of 'Security and Growth for All in the Region' – 'SAGAR' - is designed to strengthen ties with like-minded partners to promote a rule-based order across the 'Indo-Pacific'.

New initiatives like International Solar Alliance (ISA), Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure (CDRI), Lifestyle for Environment (LiFE), and International Big Cat Alliance (IBCA) have strengthened our multilateral relations with the world. In keeping with the Government's goal to expand India's footprint around the world, proactive action has also been taken to increase the number of missions, consulates and representative offices.

India took over the G-20 Presidency on December 1, 2022. The theme for India's Presidency "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" or "One Earth-One Family-One Future" is uniquely Indian and has been widely appreciated.

India has recently crossed the milestone of 100 G20 meetings. As of April 2023, over 12,300 delegates, from over 110 nationalities have attended G20-related meetings. This includes participation from G20 members, invitee countries and international organizations.

Through the use of e-governance tools India's consular operations have been made amongst the fastest, most transparent and user-friendly, globally. India has signed Social Security Agreements to protect the interest of Indian workers abroad, Agreements to enhance the mutual mobility of students, professionals and researchers and Agreements with several nations to prevent illegal migration.

India continues to play a pivotal role as the 'First Responder' during times of humanitarian crises. The setting up of Rapid Response Cell as a specialized division in the Ministry of External Affairs to coordinate efforts during humanitarian crises has made disaster protocols more resilient. India has taken up several major relief and evacuation

operations during the last 9 years such as Operation Dost (2023), Operation Ganga (2022), Operation Devi Shakti (2021) and Mission Sagar (2021), to name a few.

National security has been a top priority for the Modi government. This can be seen in rescue operations conducted outside India, adopting a zero tolerance against terror policy at home, as well as significant reduction in left wing extremism.

The Prime Minister's strong belief that development and national security go hand in hand has led to a push for Aatmanirbharta in Defence. India's first indigenous aircraft carrier INS Vikrant showcases the country's growing prowess for indigenous manufacturing. Defence exports reached an all-time high of approx. Rs 16,000 crore in the Financial Year 2022-23. To foster innovation and technology development, Innovation for Defence Excellence (iDEX) framework was launched. It has played a pivotal role in supporting start-ups and innovators for successful prototype development. A dynamic foreign policy, and national security policy is essential to respond to the opportunities and challenges of the world today. The Modi government has consistently delivered on that front to create a stable, strong, and safe nation.

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# AT A GLANCE

**Operation Kaveri**  
**3000+**  
**Indians**

brought back from  
conflict-torn Sudan.

Historic decision  
to remove  
**Article 370**  
and **Article 35A**  
from the Indian  
Constitution

**75%** of capital  
acquisition budget  
earmarked for  
domestic production  
in FY 2023-24

**334%**  
growth in Defence  
Exports in  
last 5 years

More than  
**2.97 crore**  
passengers  
facilitated through  
**Vande Bharat flights**  
and **Air Bubble**  
arrangements

Over **4,100**  
**items**  
added to  
the **defence**  
**indigenisation lists**

**23,000**  
Indians  
**evacuated from**  
**Ukraine**

**Operation Dost**  
**5,945-ton**  
emergency relief  
consignment sent to  
quake-hit Syria and  
Turkey

**74%**  
**FDI**  
**in defence** through  
automatic route

Nearly  
**Rs. 500 crore**  
sanctioned for  
**defence startups**  
for the period from  
2021-22 to 2025-26

**Ordinance**  
**Factory Board**  
converted into  
**7 defence**  
**PSUs**

Over  
**29.2 crore**  
COVID-19 vaccines  
for over 100  
countries through  
**Vaccine Maitri**

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## Zero-tolerance to terrorism

- **No major terrorist attack** in Indian cities in non-conflict zones since 2014.
- Appropriate response to cross-border terrorism through **Surgical Strikes in 2016 and Air Strikes in 2019**.
- Sponsors of terror have been **globally isolated** and cut to size.
- India has made **terrorism a global issue** and is leading global discussions on this issue.
- Strengthening legal framework through **UAPA** amendment.

## What is a positive indigenisation list and why does it matter?

- Our positive Indigenisation lists of over 4100 items comprising major equipments have been issued.
- These lists contain a **roadmap of those weapons, arms and systems that India will not import** in future. 3 separate lists of over 3,700 items for DPSUs have been notified.
- Knowing such a roadmap and mandate for domestic procurement helps domestic manufacturers ramp up production.

- This boosts India strategically and at the same time, creates jobs for youth.

## Investment for Aatmanirbhar defence sector

- **FDI limit in defence raised** to 74% through automatic route.
- In Budget 2023-24, **75% of the capital procurement budget for Defence** is for domestic industry.
- Incentives for **defence corridors** in Uttar Pradesh and Tamil Nadu.
- Defence corridor in Bundelkhand of Uttar Pradesh will transform the poor region into a powerhouse.

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## AGNIPATH

**Agnipath** is a game changer scheme for the Armed Forces which is going to act as force multiplier in making Indian military as one of the best in the world with youthful, high-tech and ultra-modern outlook. The Government has launched Agnipath scheme on June 15, 2022 to recruit both male and female aspirants into 'below the officer's rank' cadre of the three services for a period of four years as **Agniveers**. Candidates between the age group of 17.5 to 21 years are eligible to apply for the scheme.



# MILESTONES

## Surge in India's defence exports

Total value of defence exports

**Rs.16,000**  
crore  
2022-23

**Rs. 1,941**  
crore

2014



Greater defence exports means  
greater job opportunities



Indigenously-developed Light Combat Helicopters (LCH) named as 'Prachanda' inducted into the Indian Air Force



LCH is the only attack helicopter in the world which can land and take-off at an altitude of 5,000 m with a considerable load of weapons and fuel.

**DID YOU KNOW?**



The conviction rate in cases investigated by the National Investigation Agency (NIA) is

**94%**

### Security Matter: Terrorist incidents down in Jammu & Kashmir since 2018



Year	Terrorist Initiated Incidents
2018	228
2019	153
2020	126
2021	129
2022	125

# INDIA'S G20 PRESIDENCY

A Presidency of Healing,  
Harmony and Hope

“The Presidency of G20 has arrived as a big opportunity for us. We have to make full use of this opportunity and focus on ‘Global Good’. Whether it is peace or unity, sensitivity towards the environment, or sustainable development, India has solutions to challenges related to these.”

**- Prime Minister Narendra Modi**





भारत 2023 INDIA

## INDIA'S G20 PRESIDENCY

India holds the Presidency of the G20 from 1 December 2022 to 30 November 2023. The theme for India's Presidency "*Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam*" or "One Earth One Family One Future" is uniquely Indian and has been widely appreciated.

### India's G20 Presidency will see deliberations and outcomes in-

13 Sherpa Track working groups

8 Finance Track work streams

4 Initiatives Research Innovation Initiative Gathering (RIIG), G20 Empower, Space Economy Leaders Meeting (SELM), Chief Science Advisors Round Table (CSAR)

11 Engagement Groups

A new Working Group on Disaster Risk Reduction (DRR), a new Engagement Group "Startup 20" and a new Initiative Chief Science Advisors' Roundtable (CSAR) have been operationalized in our G20 Presidency.

India celebrated a key milestone in its G20 Presidency on 17 April 2023, with the hosting of its 100th G20 meeting, the Meeting of Agricultural Chief Scientists (MACS) in Varanasi.

These 100 G20 meetings have been held in 41 cities, covering 28 States and

Union Territories. Meetings are being organized across the length and breadth of India with the full support and participation of State Governments and Union Territories.

In-person participation during India's G20 Presidency is among the largest ever. Over 12,300 delegates, from over 110 nationalities have attended G20-related meetings so far. This includes participation from G20 members, 9 invitee countries and 14 international organizations.

During our Presidency, India will be hosting foreign delegates for over 200 G20-related meetings in around 60 cities across India, the widest geographical spread in any G20 Presidency.

Over 150 cultural events, with the participation of over 7,000 artists, showcasing local and national art forms, have been held. Many Jan Bhagidari activities are also being simultaneously held with active public participation in a whole-of-nation and whole-of-society\* approach, making India's G20 Presidency a "People's G20".

Substantive deliberations during India's ongoing G20 Presidency comprise broad priority areas such as inclusive and resilient growth; progress on SDGs, green development and Lifestyle for Environment (LIFE); technological transformation and public digital infrastructure; reforming multilateral institutions; women led development; and international peace and harmony.

The Presidency will culminate with the G20 New Delhi Leaders' Summit in September 2023.

# PM Modi IS THE RESCUER-IN-CHIEF!

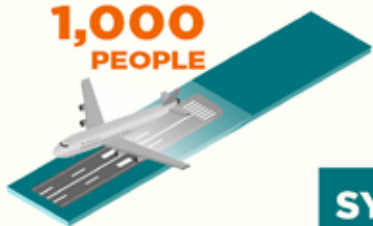
## UKRAINE-2022

**23,000 rescued**

### UKRAINE-2014

**1,000  
PEOPLE**

mostly students,  
evacuated



### SYRIA-2014

In July 2014, **46 Indian nurses**  
captured by the ISIS were rescued.

Over **7,000  
INDIANS**

**were evacuated**  
during this crisis  
in Iraq and Syria.

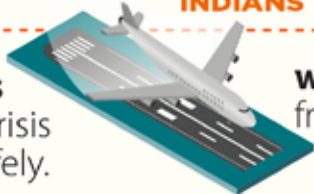


### LIBYA-2014

Over **40 Indian nurses**  
trapped in the Libyan crisis  
were brought home safely.

Over **3,710  
INDIANS**

**were evacuated**  
from Libya.



### YEMEN-2015

In **2015 in Yemen** India  
not only rescued its own people  
but also others.

In Operation Raahat, **4,748  
INDIANS**

**and 1,962 foreigners**  
from **41 countries**  
were rescued.







## SUDAN-2016

were rescued from South Sudan in July 2016.

**153**  
PEOPLE



## NEPAL-2015

Nepal was devastated by an earthquake in 2015.

India conducted **Operation Maitri** and rescued many foreigners

and **5,188**  
INDIANS



## YEMEN-2017

In 2017, from Yemen, a **Christian priest Tom Uzhunnalil** who was kidnapped by ISIS in 2016 was rescued.



## AFGHANISTAN-2021

In 2021, when **Afghanistan fell to the Taliban**, over **550**

PEOPLE

were evacuated



## CHINA-2020

In early 2020, when the COVID-19 pandemic struck, flights were sent to Wuhan, China, to bring back

**637**  
INDIANS



**7**  
MALDIVIANS

## VANDE BHARAT MISSION

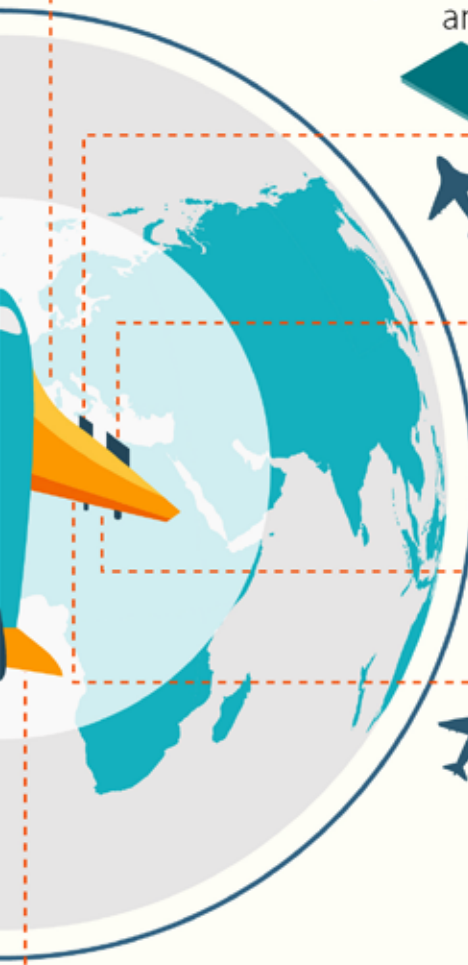
The full-fledged **Vande Bharat Mission** brought back more than **2.97 crore people through 2.17 lakh flights** during the pandemic!

## Operation Kaveri

- 3000+ Indians brought back from conflict-torn Sudan.
- Given rent-free accommodation with free food facility in quarantine centers managed by Airport Health Officers (APHOs)

## Operation Dost

5,945-ton emergency relief consignment sent to quake-hit Syria and Turkey



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*There is unprecedented trust for India in this decade and the next 25 years. India will achieve its goals faster with everyone's efforts.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# INDIA, A GLOBAL ECONOMIC POWERHOUSE

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# OVERVIEW

The past few years have been challenging for the global economy as it recovers from the aftermath of the Covid-19 pandemic, and the Russia-Ukraine conflict. As the world struggles to find its feet, the Indian economy continues to break new ground. In its latest projections on world economic growth, IMF recognizes India as the fastest-growing major economy in the world.

The robust rise in GST collections, increase in capital expenditure outlay, and record growth in exports are indicative of a vibrant and growing economy that has recovered from the effects of the pandemic.

This can be credited not only to the Modi government's holistic approach to managing the economic fallout of the pandemic, but also to the consistent efforts since 2014 to strengthen the economy. The structural reforms initiated by the Modi government have strengthened the Indian economy and enabled it to withstand the unprecedented effects of the pandemic.

To make India self-reliant in manufacturing, the Modi government has initiated several programmes under Aatmanirbhar Bharat as well as Make in India. This sector received further impetus with the Production Linked Incentive (PLI) scheme. The objective behind PLI is to make domestic manufacturing globally competitive and to create domestic leaders in manufacturing. The PLI Schemes have created lakhs of jobs and placed the Indian economy on a rapid growth trajectory. From a net importer earlier, India has become a global manufacturing hub for mobile phones. The production of mobile phones has risen from about 60 million in 2014-15 to approximately 310 million in 2021-22.

The Modi government has made MSMEs, a central focus of its economic policy. The government's Emergency Credit Line Guarantee Scheme during the Covid pandemic protected more than one crore MSMEs and saved them from possible permanent closure. Moreover, reforms such as revision of MSME definition and changes in labour and environment laws have

allowed MSMEs to expand their operations and grow.

PM Modi has consistently assured the country's wealth creators adequate support in their efforts towards innovation and making India self-reliant. This is reflected in his personal focus and support for the Indian Semiconductor Mission (ISM) and its vision of building a semiconductor and display manufacturing ecosystem in India.

India has also emerged as a preferred investment hub under Prime Minister Modi's dynamic leadership with it recording its highest ever annual FDI inflow of USD 83.57 billion in the Financial Year 2021-22. The Modi government has also announced a new Foreign Trade Policy to boost Indian exports, as well as to take India's goods and services exports to 42 trillion by 2030.

The Indian economy has seen a remarkable transformation in the last nine years, and its impact can be seen in the improved quality of life of all Indians across various sections of society.

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# AT A GLANCE

India to be one of the **world's fastest growing economy** in 2023

**46%**  
of global real-time digital payments happened in India in 2022

**Rs. 27.1 lakh crore**  
**Aatmanirbhar Bharat Package** during Covid saved economy

**Services PMI** reached **ten year high of 58.4** in October 2021

**Monthly GST collections** at all-time high of **Rs. 1.87 lakh crore** in April'2023

Record  
**\$770.18 billion** of goods and services exports in FY 2022-23

Over **Rs. 3.63 lakh crore** sanctioned for MSMEs under **ECLGS**

**PLI schemes** to create **60 lakh additional jobs** over next 5 years

**50%** rise in exports of electronic goods in FY 2022-23 recorded at **\$23.57 billion**

Over **Rs. 6.60 lakh crore** of **bad loans recovered**

Highest ever **annual FDI inflow of \$84.8 Billion** in FY 2021-22

India is now home to **over 100 Unicorns**

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## World's fastest growing major economy – why growth is not just a number

- There is a global consensus that India will remain the **world's fastest growing** major economy.
- High growth will lead to **greater resources** for the government and allow further expansion of welfare schemes and infrastructure projects.
- High growth leads to the creation of **new employment opportunities**.
- New opportunities lead to a steady rise in incomes and **distribution of benefits of growth** to every section of society.

## Aatmanirbhar Bharat: turning adversity into opportunity

- Robust economic management by PM Modi since the pandemic started

has **turned adversity into opportunity**.

- All economic indicators pointing towards India's economic resurgence.
- From MSMEs to MNCs, all firms have witnessed expansion in output and contributed to a **historic rise in services, manufacturing and exports**.
- Hiring sentiment at an all-time high in many sectors, **ensuring growth converts to jobs**.

## Reforms by conviction and consensus

- PM Modi has started a new trend of reforms by conviction and consensus by personally pushing **many structural reforms** at a difficult stage.
- Cooperative federalism means the **Centre is encouraging states** to voluntarily undertake

reforms, by incentivising them.

- Reforms have protected the interests of all stakeholders.

## Building a better economy

- Introduction of Goods and Services Tax (GST) has led to **greater formalisation**.
- **Sharp decline in NPAs** and economic offences due to strict action by the government for recovering dues.
- IBC has salvaged the situation for the Indian banking and corporate sectors.
- India is rapidly transforming into a **'Digital Economy'**.

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## Creating a base for 'Growthade'

- Record resource mobilisation of over Rs 1,60,000 crore through IPOs in 2021-23
- National highways increased from 91,287 km in 2014 to 1,45,155 km in 2022-23
- Presently (as on date), there are 148 operational airports in the country, which include 137 airports, 02 Water aerodromes and 09 Heliports
- Extension for availing 15% tax rate for new manufacturing units till 2024, and tax incentives by a year for start-ups, will give a boost to sectors that have flourished in the last few years and created jobs
- Scheduled Commercial Banks (SCBs) gross non-performing assets (GNPA) ratio fell to a seven-year low of 5.0% in September 2022
- The housing up-cycle continues

# MILESTONES

India is now the **5th largest** economy of the world

## GLOBAL CONSENSUS ON INDIA'S RAPID GROWTH

India to be the **fastest growing major economy** as per various global institutions.



## TAX COLLECTIONS SIGNAL A STRONG ECONOMIC REVIVAL

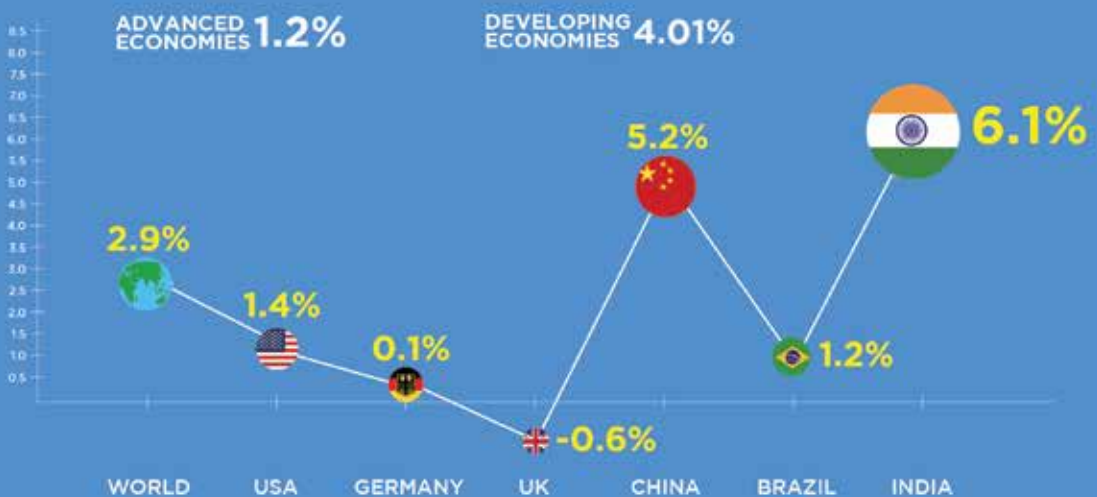


**All time high** monthly GST collection in April 2023

Tax-GDP ratio at 11.1% in 2022-23

**Sharp increase** in corporate tax collection in 2022-23 despite cut in corporate tax rates

## GROWTH FORECAST BY IMF'S WORLD ECONOMIC OUTLOOK FOR 2023





# NEW INDIA

## A MANUFACTURING POWERHOUSE BREAKING EXPORT RECORDS

**PLI SCHEMES POWER MANUFACTURING**

Provided incentives worth Rs. 1.97 lakh crore across 14 sectors.

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Generated investment of Rs. 2.34 lakh crore.

**MANUFACTURING POWERS EXPORTS**

Goods exports crossed \$ 448 billion for the first time ever, in 2022-23

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50% rise in exports of electronic goods in FY 2022-23 over FY 2021-22

# DID YOU KNOW?

India attracted **\$902 BILLION** as FDI in 23 financial years from 2000 to 2022

Out of these 23 years, **9 years**

of the Modi Government (2014-23) accounted for a whopping 64% of the FDI received, clocking **\$578! BILLION**

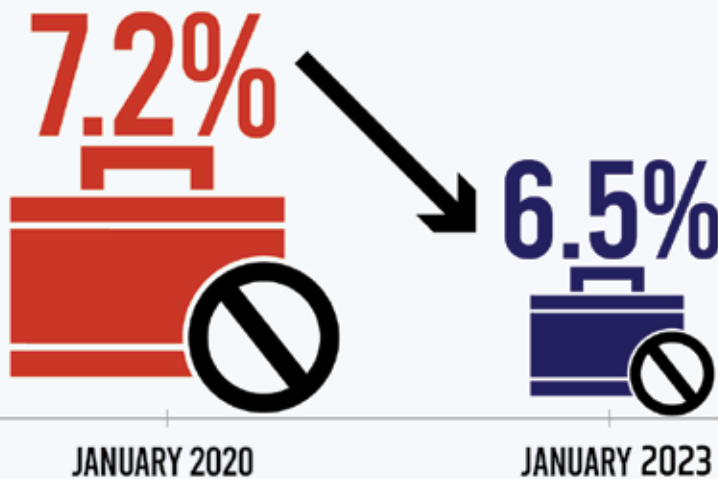




## EMERGENCY CREDIT LINE GUARANTEE SCHEME SAVES MSME SECTOR

- MSME loan accounts worth **Rs. 1.8 lakh crore saved** from becoming NPAs by extending credit
- This saved **1.5 crore jobs**.
- And if each job affected a family of 4, it saved **6 crore people's livelihoods!**

## UNEMPLOYMENT IN INDIA IS BELOW PRE-PANDEMIC LEVELS!



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*There was a time when it was asked- Why India? Now after looking at the impact of the reforms that have taken place in the country, it is being asked - 'Why not India?'*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# EASE OF DOING BUSINESS

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# OVERVIEW

Today the world is looking at India as an attractive destination for investment and global companies want to establish businesses here. There is wholesome appreciation for Prime Minister Narendra Modi's thrust for transformative governance and economic reforms to enhance the Ease of Doing Business in India. This has helped both existing, as well as new businesses and entrepreneurs to invest and set up businesses in India. One of the greatest examples of improvement in the business climate of the country can be seen in its startups. Before 2014, India had around 350 StartUps. Over the last nine years, encouraged by schemes such as StartUp India, there has been a 260 fold increase in the number of StartUps. Moreover, the country today is home to over 100 Unicorns.

Since 2014, rent-seeking and red-tapism have been replaced by a red carpet. The government is not an obstacle in the path of risk-takers but is an active enabler. Entrepreneurs and investors in India are now delighted by a business-friendly environment and a government that actively addresses their concerns and redresses grievances. This paradigm shift has been made possible through landmark decisions such as removing retrospective taxation,

and Angel Tax, and lowering corporate tax. The National Single Window System now allows obtaining all approvals through a single platform. Moreover, the Modi government has reduced unnecessary compliance burden by repealing more than 1,500 archaic laws and thousands of compliances. These used to create unnecessary costs and hurdles for Indian enterprises.

The Prime Minister's mantra of transparency and reducing compliance requirements demonstrates a government that trusts its citizens. This trust is being reciprocated in the rising number of taxpayers and record tax collections. Similarly, promoting self-regulation, self-certification, computerised random labour inspections and faceless assessment/appeal in taxes has not only dealt a blow to 'Inspector Raj' but also improved compliance.

India's efforts to improve the ease of doing business are being acknowledged on the global stage. This is evident in consistent improvement in various international rankings. For instance, the country's ranking in the World Bank's Ease of Doing Business Index surged from 142 in 2014 to 63 in 2019.

India has climbed six places on the

World Bank's Logistic Performance Index (LPI) 2023, now ranking 38th in the 139 countries index.

This is a strong indicator of India's global positioning, with this development being powered by the Government's laser focus on reforms for improving logistics infrastructure through initiatives like PM Gati Shakti and new National Logistics Policy.

The thrust towards greater transparency & a level-playing field for MSMEs and small businesses is exemplified by the success of the GeM portal, the government purchases through which have crossed Rs 4 lakh crore.

Apart from numerous reforms and landmark decisions, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has successfully led a mindset transformation. Unlike previous governments, the Modi government not only considers entrepreneurs as wealth creators but also as partners in national development. Concerted efforts to improve the Ease of Doing Business have led to a historic expansion in the pool of wealth creators. This has had a butterfly effect on the country at large- it has increased resources available to the government for its welfare and development programmes, while at the same time enabling job creation, and higher incomes in the country.

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# AT A GLANCE

**Rise of 79 ranks,**  
from 142 in 2014 to  
63 in 2019, in **Ease  
of Doing Business**  
rankings

**1.67 lakh**  
**new companies**  
**registered** is the  
highest ever  
in a single  
financial year

**4 new**  
**labour codes**  
to promote  
labour welfare

**Retrospective  
tax  
repealed**

**Angel  
tax  
repealed**

**Corporate  
tax cut**  
to 15% from 25% for  
new domestic  
manufacturing  
companies

**16 out of 81**  
offences under  
**Companies Act**  
**decriminalised**

**39,556**  
unnecessary  
**compliances**  
**scrapped**

**1,500+**  
**archaic laws**  
repealed

**Number of  
approvals**  
needed to start  
a business down  
from 14 to  
**just 3**

**Record 50%**  
increase  
in **patent  
registration**  
over the last  
seven years

National Single  
Window System  
has ensured  
**easier  
compliance**

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## **Painless, faceless, seamless tax system**

- Tax rates are not a pain anymore. India has one of the **lowest corporate tax rates of 15%** for new domestic manufacturing companies.
- For existing companies, the government **reduced corporate tax rates from 30% to 22%**.
- Retrospective tax adversely affected India's image among global investors and has accordingly been scrapped. Similarly **angel tax has also been scrapped**.
- Most tax processing and assessments happen online, which makes filing returns, assessments, appeals and refunds **seamless and quick**.

- **Faceless assessment and appeals** remove chances of harassment, reducing inspector raj.

## **From red-tapism to red carpet**

- Various economic reforms and incentives have made India the most **preferred destination for investment**.
- **Single window system** is available for approvals and clearances, reducing hassles.
- The number of documents needed for company incorporation has been reduced.
- **FDI rules have been liberalised** in many sectors and hence, FDI has broken all records in the past few years.

## **Trust in industry and entrepreneurs**

- The '**Growth Ambassadors of India**', our entrepreneurs are powering India's growth story by creating jobs.
- A new mindset of trust has been created where the government and citizens trust each other.
- **Self-regulation and Self-compliance are the norm**.
- **Ending 'Inspector Raj'**, reforms in labour inspection processes and environmental laws have curbed rent seeking and corruption.

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## **Did you know?**

- PM Modi made it easier to start a business by reducing the number of approvals needed from 14 to just 3 steps.
- Since 2014, PM Modi has repealed more than 1,500 Union laws that were redundant or outdated.
- India's fintech adoption rate (87%) is higher than the global average (64%), making it one of the largest digital markets in the world.
- India's goods exports touched a record \$448 billion in FY2022-23, which is more than the entire GDP of Pakistan (\$350 Billion).
- Electronics manufacturing has grown by 300% since 2014.
- India is the third-largest startup ecosystem in the world after the United States and China.
- India's position in World Bank's rankings for getting construction permits rose from 181 in 2018 to 27 in 2020 under PM Modi.
- No. of patents granted has gone up from 6,326 in 2015-16 to 34,153 in 2022-23.

# MILESTONES



## EASE AT EVERY STEP

### EASE OF STARTING BUSINESS:

The number of steps required for company incorporation reduced from 14 in 2014 to 3 in 2022.

### EASE OF COMPLIANCE:

The National Single Window System provides a single platform for obtaining all required approvals.

### EASE OF EXIT:

The Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code allows easy winding up of companies.

## EASIER TO PROTECT INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY

Obtaining Patents, Trademarks, and Copyrights has become much easier



- o Reduction in filing fees.
- o Introduction of e-filing.
- o Simplifying the process and reducing issuance time.

## Ease of Doing Business

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Ease of Doing Business Index

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Logistics Performance Index

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NOW

Ease of Doing Business Index

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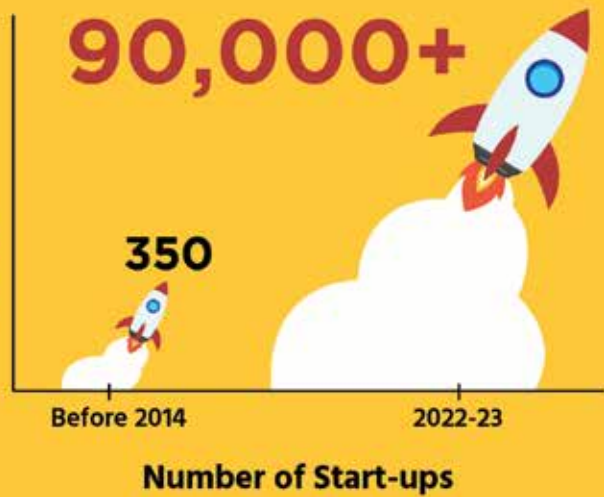
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Indices for the year 2020 & 2023 respectively



**300-FOLD  
INCREASE  
IN NUMBER OF  
START-UPS**



# UNICORN EXPLOSION

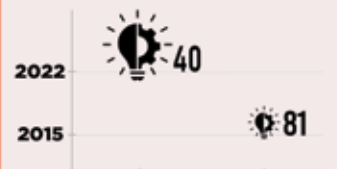


**NUMBER OF UNICORNS IN INDIA**

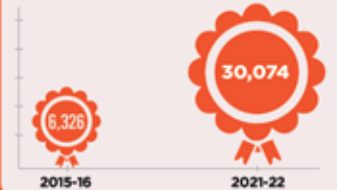
## INDIA

### INNOVATES

GLOBAL INNOVATIONS INDEX RANKING



NUMBER OF PATENTS GRANTED



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*When modern roads,  
modern railway stations, railway  
tracks, metro rails and airports are  
built, then the country's progress  
gains momentum.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# INFRA AT SPEED AND SCALE

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# OVERVIEW

The quality of a country's infrastructure is a key determinant in shaping its economic trajectory. Quality infrastructure is the key building block for our nation to become a global economic powerhouse. Keeping this in mind, the Narendra Modi-led government has kept infrastructure at the front and centre of its development agenda.

In the past, infrastructure projects suffered from inordinate delays. But in the last nine years, thinking big and delivering without delay have been the hallmarks of infrastructure development in the country. The Prime Minister has regularly monitored the progress of projects through the PRAGATI platform, which has led to the successful completion of various delayed, as well as newly announced infrastructure projects.

In line with its goal of bringing last-mile connectivity, the daily average highway construction reached an all-time high and has consistently remained far higher than pre-2014 levels. Similarly, a rapid increase in the construction of rural roads has made access to roads nearly

universal in the hinterland. Indian railways also witnessed a massive capacity expansion in the last nine years through line doubling and electrification of railway tracks. The Vande Bharat Express, India's first indigenous Semi High-Speed trains are a 'Make in India' success story. As for air travel, the steps taken by the Modi government, have made it affordable and accessible. 74 airports have been built and operationalised in just 9 years. Further, 68 underserved/unserved destinations which include 58 Airports, 8 Heliports & 2 Water Aerodromes have been connected under the UDAN scheme.

Like airports, metro rail also is no longer limited to big cities. In the last nine years, metro rail projects have reached 20 cities.

To further enhance infrastructural linkages, and reduce costs for citizens, the recently launched National Logistics Policy aims to bring down logistics costs, give a fillip to international trade, present new opportunities to our startups, businesses, and farmers, and usher in prosperity in the nation.

Infrastructure development in a country has to be supported by strong financial commitments. In line with this, Prime Minister Narendra Modi announced the PM Gati Shakti National Master Plan (NMP) which is a transformative approach for integrated and holistic planning across concerned Ministries/ Departments to improve multimodal connectivity, logistics efficiency and to address critical infrastructure gaps for seamless movement of people and goods, with focus on minimising disruptions and ensuring timely completion of projects. It is the most extensive plan for infrastructure development in the history of independent India, as the government plans to invest nearly Rs. 100 lakh crore in the coming years.

Prime Minister Narendra Modi's vision for infrastructure development will support India's economic growth to the next level. It will enhance the ease of living for citizens, multiply job creation and achieve the last mile connectivity to bring about inclusive development.

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# AT A GLANCE

**500%**

increase in road transport and highway budget allocation since 2014

**400**

world-class **Vande Bharat Trains** to be manufactured, **17 trains** already operational

Speed of highway construction reaches **37 km/day**

Rural road connectivity at

**99% coverage**

**34**

**straight months** without rail passenger fatalities

**Length of metro**

went from 248 km in 2014 to **860 km** in 2023

**PM Gati Shakti**

providing multi-modal connectivity infrastructure

Over 311 projects reviewed by PM Modi through

**PRAGATI** meetings

**74** airports operationalized since 2014

4832 projects for urban development completed under

**AMRUT**

**3.28 lakh kms**

of rural roads built since 2014

**111 waterways** declared as **National Waterways** (NWs) under the National Waterways Act, 2016

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## From delays to delivery

- Crucial infrastructure projects **stalled for decades** are finally getting completed and **delivered to the public**.
- **PM Modi has personally overseen** and monitored the completion of more than 300 projects through the PRAGATI platform.
- The government ensured that the Covid pandemic did not affect the timely completion of infrastructure projects.

## New infrastructure records for New India

- Record for **fastest**

**highway construction** per year - 37 km per day in 2020-21

- Record for **fastest road construction**
  - 2.5 km 4-lane concrete road built in 24 hours
  - 1-lane 25-km bitumen Solapur-Bijapur road in 24 hours
- **Tallest statue** in the world – Statue of Unity
- **World's highest railway bridge** being built – Chenab bridge
- **World's longest highway tunnel** above 10,000 feet – Atal Tunnel

## Infrastructure for India's Amrit Kaal with Gati Shakti

- **Long-term planning** for India's infrastructure needs through PM Gati Shakti Masterplan.
- The pumping in of Rs. 100 lakh crore through an integrated platform ensures **efficient use of funds**.
- **Last-mile connectivity** and multi-modal connectivity has improved across India due to this.
- Infrastructure creation also spurs **massive job creation** at all levels.

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## Did you know?

- PM Gati Shakti is institutionalizing holistic planning and inter-departmental coordination through a **single integrated portal**.
- Connecting **35 central government departments**, the integrated portal will provide **visibility** of ongoing infrastructure projects and facilitate **interaction** between various stakeholders.
- Gati Shakti will ensure **seamless coordination** among all stakeholders and **real-time tracking** of various projects.
- PM Gati Shakti will lead to **better planning of projects, massive cost savings, and faster completion** of projects.
- The government will develop **100 PM Gati Shakti cargo terminals** for multimodal logistic facilities over the next three years.

# MILESTONES

## DELIVERING LONG-PENDING PROJECTS



### **Saryu Nahar Irrigation Canal in UP**

Year of Approval: 1978

Delayed by 4 decades

**Delivered in the Modi era**



### **Kosi Rail Maha Setu in Bihar**

Year of Approval: 2003-04

Delayed by 2 decades

**Delivered in the Modi era**



### **Kollam Bypass Project in Kerala**

Year of Approval - 1975

Delayed for almost 50 years!

**Delivered in the Modi era**



### **Bogibeel Rail-Cum Road Bridge Over Brahmaputra**

Year of Approval - 1997

Delayed by 2 decades

**Delivered in the Modi era**



### **Atal Tunnel - Longest Tunnel at 10,000 Feet**

Year of Approval - 2000

Delayed by 2 decades

**Delivered in the Modi era**



### **Eastern and Western Peripheral Expressway around Delhi**

Year of Approval - 2006

Delayed by a decade

**Delivered in the Modi era**

## Railways put India on the fast track to growth in 2022-23:



Did you know?



34 continuous months from March 2019 saw **zero passenger fatalities**. And 2,000 km of the railway network will be brought under Kavach, indigenously developed technology for preventing train collision.

## DEVELOPMENT OF NATIONAL HIGHWAYS AND GREENFIELD EXPRESSWAYS IN INDIA



In the last 9 years (2014-23), India has **amplified 53,868+ KMs** to its National Highway network





# INDIA ON IT'S WAY TO BECOMING A HUB FOR COMMERCE AND LOGISTICS

COUNTRY	Turn Around Time	DAYS
India	0.9	
Singapore	1.0	
Malaysia	1.0	
New Zealand	1.1	
Indonesia	1.1	
UAE	1.1	
Ireland	1.2	
Germany	1.3	
Belgium	1.3	
USA	1.5	
Australia	1.7	
Russian Federation	1.8	
Canada	2.0	
South Africa	2.8	

Source: The World Bank Logistics Performance Index 2023



# Golden Joint work completed

The Chenab bridge in Jammu And Kashmir, the world's highest railway bridge.



# Deck closure ceremony held on 13<sup>th</sup> August, 2022

Chenab Bridge stands 359m above river bed level, higher than the Eiffel Tower of Paris!



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*We are creating modern digital infrastructure in India. Along with this, we are also ensuring that the benefits of digital revolution reach every section of the society.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# INDIA'S TECHADE

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# OVERVIEW

The Modi government has shown an unwavering commitment to use technology for inclusive development and to promote ease of living. The government is working at democratising technology and bringing rapid digitalisation of governance.

A remarkable success story is evident in the popular adoption of digital payments in the country. In January of 2023, about 8 billion (800 crore) transactions worth 200 billion \$ (Rs. 2 lakh crores approximately) were carried out on the United Payment Interface. India's digital payment system has been linked to various countries globally. Aadhaar e-KYC services also continue to play a stellar role for banking and non-banking financial services by providing transparent and improved customer experience, and helping in ease of doing business. India today has amongst the highest fintech adoption rates in the world.

In the last nine years, there has been a meteoric rise in mobile ownership across India. The sharp decline in the cost of data has led to deep penetration of the internet,

bridging the urban-rural divide. With the recent launch of 5G services, the country will witness the next wave of digital transformation and connectivity. Under the Bharat Net project, more than 70% of the 250,000 Gram Panchayats in the country have already been provided with Broadband connectivity.

Technology adoption by the government over the last nine years has ensured a remarkable increase in transparency in governance.

Today, all government programmes have a digital dashboard that provides all details of beneficiaries. Digital delivery of public services is eliminating corruption and promoting ease of living. Digital delivery of vaccines through the CoWIN platform allowed India to ensure equity and accessibility in vaccine distribution. Other countries are now looking towards India for providing technology solutions such as the CoWIN platform.

The Modi government has effectively deployed technology and digital tools for ensuring transparency and plugging leakages in governance. For example, the

introduction of Direct Benefits Transfer and Aadhar authentication in various welfare schemes have led to the elimination of lakhs of ghost beneficiaries, enormous savings for the government, and timely delivery of benefits to citizens. Between 2015 and 2022, the government saved more than Rs. 2.73 lakh crore due to the distribution of benefits through DBT.

Even public procurement, a common avenue for bureaucratic corruption earlier, has now become digital as the Government e-Marketplace (GeM) portal is being utilized by government departments and PSUs for their procurement. The portal is successfully eliminating corruption and streamlining public procurement in the country. In the last 9 nine years, India's space programme has grown from strength to strength. While its various Missions are talked about widely with the recent launch of Vikram-S, India's first-ever private launch vehicle, India is now ready to enter a new decade of further innovation, and advancement in this sector.

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# AT A GLANCE

Among **121 crore mobile subscribers** in India in 2021, 79 crore use smartphones

**1.98 lakh** Gram Panchayats connected with **optic fiber**

**Cost per GB of data declined** from Rs. 308 to Rs. 9.94

Savings of over **Rs. 2.73 lakh crores** through **DBT**

Record procurement of **Rs. 3.90 lakh crore** on **GeM portal**

**New start-ups** in **669 districts** across country

**868 crore UPI transactions** in March 2023

In 2022, **46%** of the **world's digital transactions** were from India!

**Internet users** in India have **more than doubled** in the past 5 years

**5.47 lakh** operational **Common Service Centres (CSCs)** under Digital India

**6.20 lakh km** of optical fibre cable laid under **Bharat Net**

**104 Satellites** launched in a Single Flight by ISRO - an unbroken world record!

# POINTS TO REMEMBER



## Towards a Digital India

- The massive **rise in smartphone ownership** is rapidly bridging the digital divide.
- Significant **drop in the cost of data** has led to a surge in internet usage.
- **Digital literacy** is facilitating the digitalization of governance.

## From Direct Bicholia Transfer to Direct Benefits Transfer

- DBT enabled by JAM trinity – Jan Dhan – AADHAR – Mobile Phone
- Transforming public service delivery by **plugging leakages**.
- **No commission to middlemen** for access to welfare schemes.
- Massive

savings due to the **elimination of ghost beneficiaries**.

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# MILESTONES

## Eliminating CORRUPTION IN PROCUREMENT



GeM  
Government  
e Marketplace

Government e-Marketplace (GeM) portal was launched in 2016 for all government procurement. Prices on GeM are **9.5% lower** than other online platforms.

In FY 2021-22



Annual procurement  
**Rs. 2 lakh crore**



Procurement from MSMEs  
more than **50%**



## Plugging Leakages Through DBT

**BIG** NUMBERS  
IMPACT



In 2022-23  
Total DBT: Rs. **6.67 lakh crore**



Total Savings (2014-22):  
Rs. **2.73 lakh crore**



Total Direct Benefits  
Transfer since 2014:  
Rs. **22.46 lakh crore**

## Elimination of Ghost Beneficiaries

**3.99 crore** duplicate or fake ration cards cancelled

**4.11 crore** duplicate or fake LPG connections cancelled

# Bridging India's Digital Divide



Internet penetration in India (in crore)

**2015: 30.2**  
**2022 - 85.10**

Cost per GB of wireless data (in Rs.)

**2014 - 308**  
**2022 - 9.94**

**Bharat Net: high-speed internet in rural India**

**6.20** lakh km of Optical Fibre Cable laid under Bharat Net

**1.93** lakh GPs are service ready

**Telephone connections in rural India (in crore)**

**2014: 37.7**  
**January 2023 - 51.78**

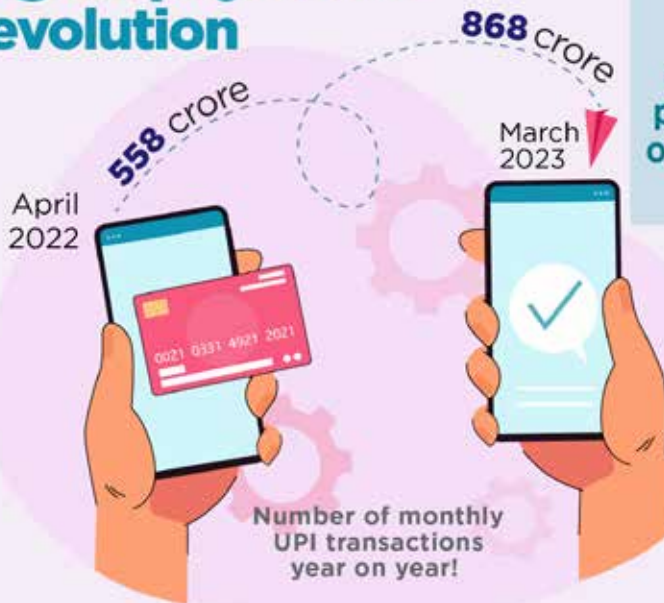
**Pradhan Mantri Digital Saksharta Abhiyan**

**5.23** lakh training centres  
**5.24** crore people trained



# UPI powering India's digital payments revolution

In 2022, 46% of global real-time payments originated in India



**PM launches 5G Services**

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*Today, in the North East, we are  
not drawing borders of disputes,  
but we are constructing corridors  
of development*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# NORTHEAST- A GROWTH ENGINE

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# OVERVIEW

The Narendra Modi led government has always prioritized inclusive development, and the government's Northeast policy reflects its push to bring the region into the mainstream. Through its Northeast policy, it has focused on economic development, internal security, as well as preservation and promotion of the cultural diversity of the region.

Over the last nine years, Delhi itself has reached the doorstep of the Northeast through regular visits by the Prime Minister, his ministerial colleagues, and senior bureaucrats. The Prime Minister has himself become an ambassador of the Northeast culture for the rest of the country and the world.

In the last nine years, significant investment has been made in the Northeast for its economic development. Several projects have been completed during the last 9 years. Almost Rs. 3400 crore has been sanctioned for 145 projects under Northeast Special Infrastructure Development Scheme (NESIDS) from 2017-23, while 1,350 projects worth Rs. 15867.01 crores have been sanctioned for developmental packages in the Northeastern Region during 2014-22.

The Prime Minister's Development Initiative for Northeast Region (PM-DevINE) announced as part of the Union Budget 2022-23, aims at rapid and holistic development of the region by funding projects of significant impact.

Lack of physical connectivity and poor infrastructure had contributed to the region's isolation for many decades. Innumerable long-pending infrastructure projects were completed. The long list of projects includes iconic projects such as Bogibeel Bridge, inaugurated by PM Modi in 2018, sixteen years after its announcement by PM Atal Bihari Vajpayee, expansion of the railway network, operationalizing new airports in the region, as well as setting up new medical colleges, including the region's first AIIMS. The impact of the improved connectivity can be seen in the increasing tourist numbers in the region.

Northeast had faced severe internal security challenges for decades. Due to the effective steps taken by the Modi -government, there has been a significant improvement in the security situation in the Northeast. Since 2014 there has been sharp reduction in the extremist incidents and the resulting deaths of security personnel and civilians. The signing of peace accords has led to peace

and a decline in violence in the region. These efforts have paved the way for reducing AFSPA coverage in the region. Long pending disputes between States in the Northeast had been a major concern in the region. Many decades-long disputes are finally getting permanently resolved through the active efforts of the Modi government. Recently Assam and Arunachal Pradesh have signed a Memorandum of Understanding to resolve a decades old dispute over the shared boundary of the States.

The landmark decision to declare Bamboo as grass and the launch of the National Bamboo Mission gave a fresh impetus to the production of Bamboo based products in the region. On numerous occasions, Prime Minister Narendra Modi has highlighted the success of Sikkim in promoting organic farming and becoming the world's first 100% organic State.

From being on the margins of the India story, the Northeast is quickly becoming one of the country's growth engines.

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# AT A GLANCE

**75%  
reduction**

in AFSPA areas  
in the region

**Bogibeel  
bridge**

completed after  
16 year delay

**76%  
decline**

in insurgency in  
the region in 2022  
compared to 2014

**Adivasi Assam  
Peace Accord 2022**  
and Peace accords  
with the **Bodo, Naga,  
Karbi, NLFT(SD)**  
brought peace  
to the NER

**7  
airports**

built in the last  
9 years

Connecting  
all state  
capitals with  
**broad-gauge**

**1.55 lakh  
Hectares**  
of land being utilized  
for organic farming

**4,016 km**  
of road projects  
currently ongoing

Around 2,000  
projects worth over  
**Rs. 22,000  
crore**  
sanctioned for  
the region

**National  
Bamboo Mission**  
established to  
boost bamboo and  
allied industry

**12 medical  
colleges**  
being set up in Assam

**3.3 lakh**  
gatherers  
benefitted under  
**Van Dhan Yojana**

## Taking Delhi to the doorstep of the Northeast

PM Modi has visited the Northeast at least 50 times. This is a record for any Prime Minister. When he shows his priorities through such actions, the whole government machinery understands the importance of this region.

### Peace for Progress

- **Framework Agreement with NSCN(IM), 2015**
- **Tripura Peace accord, (NLFT/SD) 2019**
- **Bodo Peace Accord, 2020**
- **Bru Rehabilitation Agreement, 2020**
- **Karbi-Anglong Peace Accord, 2021**
- **Assam-Meghalaya boundary agreement, 2022**
- **Adivasi Assam Peace Accord, 2022**
- Peace accords have reduced violence considerably in the region.

- Significant drop in insurgency and civilian deaths.
- Decades long border disputes finally getting resolved amicably.

### The track to growth

- The Modi government is steadily **bringing all parts of the Northeast on India's railway map.**
- Three state capitals— **Assam, Tripura and Arunachal Pradesh** – are connected by broad gauge rail.
- Work on connecting other state capitals is on

track.

- **Reducing travel time** between Northeast and other states improves economic opportunities.
- Connectivity will enable commerce and the sale of goods produced in the Northeast across the country.
- **Economic activity will reduce migration for employment** and fuel further development.

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## Did you know?

After 75 years of independence, the first-ever goods train reached Manipur in 2022 and Meghalaya in 2023!





# MILESTONES

## VIOLENCE DOWN IN THE NORTHEAST



**76%**

reduction in  
insurgency incidents  
in 2022 compared  
to 2014

**97%**

reduction in civilian  
casualties in 2022  
compared to 2014

**90%**

reduction in  
security forces  
casualties in 2022  
compared to 2014



# OPERATIONAL AIRPORTS IN THE NORTHEAST

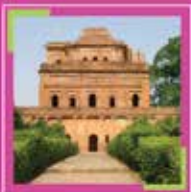


**Making dreams fly and take a life of their own**

## PROMOTING NORTHEAST'S RICH CULTURAL HERITAGE



**Rani Gaidinliu**  
tribal freedom fighter  
museum set up in Manipur



**Sivasagar**  
in Assam being developed  
as an iconic site with an  
on-site museum

## DID YOU KNOW?

Assam will have South Asia's largest cancer care network with 14 hospitals.

7 have been inaugurated already and 7 more are under construction.



Seven cancer hospitals are being built in Phase 1 in Dibrugarh, Kokrajhar, Barpeta, Darrang, Tezpur, Lakhimpur, and Jorhat.

In Phase 2, seven new cancer hospitals will be built at Dhubri, Nalbari, Goalpara, Nagaon, Sivasagar, Tinsukia, and Golaghat.

# POWERING FARMING IN THE NORTHEAST

Northeast will shape  
India's expansion in  
**edible oil production.**

The region is being  
transformed into a global  
**hub for organic farming.**

Van Dhan Vikas Yojana  
**helped 3.3 lakh gatherers**  
and 19,155 SHGs

**Reclassification of  
Bamboo** as grass and the  
National Bamboo Mission  
have boosted Bamboo  
Industry



400<sup>th</sup> Birth Anniversary of  
**LACHIT  
BARPHUKAN**



It has been the constant endeavour of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi to honour the unsung heroes in a befitting manner. In line with this, the country celebrated 2022 as the 400<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Lachit Borphukan. Lachit Borphukan (November 24, 1622 —April 25, 1672) was the famous General of the Royal Army of the Ahom Kingdom of Assam who defeated the Mughals and successfully halted the ever-expanding ambitions of the Mughals under Aurangzeb. He inspired the Assamese soldiers in the Battle of Saraighat, fought in 1671, and inflicted a crushing and humiliating defeat on the Mughals



The Donyi Polo Airport is becoming a witness to the history and culture of Arunachal Pradesh

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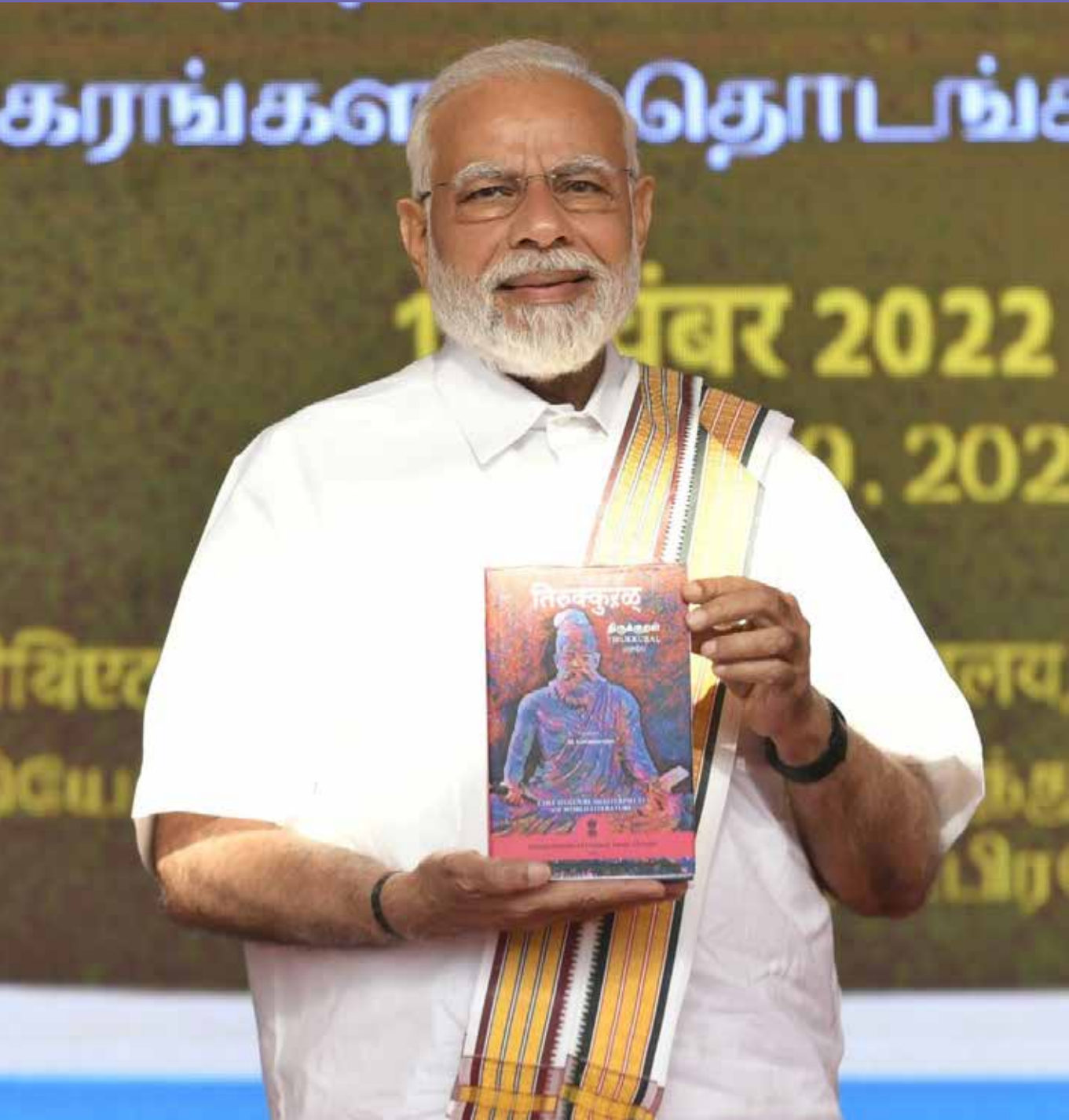
*It is rich Indian heritage that transcends tests of tide and times. It embraces the new. And hence we should be proud of this heritage.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# VIRASAT AUR VIKAS

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# OVERVIEW

Ensuring that India's rich civilizational history and its culture gets its due recognition has been a priority area for Prime Minister Narendra Modi.

After decades of neglect, various sites of civilizational significance have been redeveloped and revived through the efforts of the Modi government. The Kashi Vishwanath Corridor and various other projects in Varanasi have transformed the by lanes, ghats, and temple complexes in the city. Similarly, the Mahakaal Lok Project in Ujjain, and the Ma Kamakhya corridor in Guwahati will help in enriching the experience of pilgrims visiting the temple by providing them with world-class modern amenities, as well as providing a boost to tourism, and the local economy. The 900 km long Chardham road project will provide seamless all-weather road connectivity to the four holy Dhams. PM Modi personally monitored the progress of redevelopment projects in Kedarnath, a temple extremely close to his heart. The newly unveiled statue of Adi Shankaracharya in the Kedarnath complex will be an eternal symbol of civilizational and cultural unity across regions. In August 2020, PM Modi participated in the Bhoomipujan for the Ram Mandir in Ayodhya, a memorable moment in the history of modern India.

To remove any trace of the colonial mindset, the PM inaugurated the 'Kartavya Path' which symbolised a shift from erstwhile Rajpath being an icon of power to Kartavya Path being an example of public ownership and empowerment.

Bringing back the nation's lost heritage has been a priority for the Modi government. Over centuries, innumerable priceless artefacts had been stolen and smuggled abroad. The Modi government adopted a proactive approach for 'bringing back our gods'. On numerous foreign visits, PM Modi discussed this matter with global leaders and multilateral institutions. Several priceless antiquities have been brought back to India in the last 9 years.

The Modi government has extended special recognition to a wide range of nation-builders. The Statue of Unity in Gujarat, the world's tallest statue, has not only put Kevadia on the global tourism map but also become a way of remembering the Iron Man of India. Projects such as revamp of the Jallianwala Bagh complex and the development of sites related to Dr. B.R. Ambedkar as 'Paanchteerth' will etch the sacrifices and achievements of our nation-builders and freedom fighters in public memory. The Modi government has given recognition to all national heroes irrespective of their politics or ideology. A statue

of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose has been unveiled on India Gate to honour and celebrate his heroic legacy. The newly inaugurated Pradhan Mantri Sangrahalaya, a museum in Delhi celebrating the lives and contributions of all Prime Ministers of India also bears a testament to the non-partisan recognition of all national heroes.

In 2019, Prime Minister Narendra Modi inaugurated the National War Memorial in New Delhi which remembers those who made the supreme sacrifice for the country. Though it had been under consideration since 1961, not much progress was made in this crucial project. Prime Minister Narendra Modi gave the much-needed momentum to this project and work started after approval in 2015.

The 'Kashi Tamil Sangamam' - a month-long programme was organised in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh. The objective of the programme was to celebrate, reaffirm and rediscover the age-old links between Tamil Nadu and Kashi - two of the country's most important and ancient seats of learning. Modi government has left no stone unturned to celebrate the idea of Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat, which aims to celebrate cultural diversity of the country.

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# AT A GLANCE

World class

**Kashi  
Vishwanath  
Corridor and  
Mahakaal  
project**

The Foundation  
of the  
**Ram  
Mandir**  
was laid in 2020

**75**  
**projects** under  
identified thematic  
circuits developed  
under **Swadesh  
Darshan**

**231**  
**stolen artefacts**  
brought back  
since 2014,  
only 13 till 2014

**Kedarnath**  
redevelopment  
project with an  
outlay of  
**Rs. 207.30  
crore**

**889 km**  
of NHs to be  
developed under  
**Char Dham NH  
connectivity  
programme**

**Somnath Temple**  
reconstruction  
project with an  
outlay of  
**Rs. 3.5  
crore**

**National War  
Memorial,**  
National Police  
Memorial and PM  
Sangrahalaya finally  
become a reality

Development of 12  
heritage cities under  
**HRIDAY  
scheme**

**10** New **Tribal  
Freedom Fighter  
Museums** being  
established

**Rs. 1,586  
crore**  
invested in  
developing  
cultural sites under  
**PRASHAD scheme**

Opening of  
**Kartarpur  
Sahib Corridor**  
for Sikh pilgrims

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF LOKMATA AHILYABAI HOLKAR

Lokmata Ahilyabai Holkar, one of the greatest queens, is still remembered for rejuvenating temples. PM Modi is following in her footsteps!

Lokmata Ahilyabai Holkar	PM Modi
Built the present Kashi Vishwanath Temple in Varanasi	Developed the Kashi Vishwanath Corridor around the temple
Revamped famous ghats of Varanasi	Ghats cleaned; Ganga pollution reduced through Namami Gange
Refurbished Sarayu Ghat in Ayodhya	Bhoomipujan of Bhavya Ram Mandir done
Rebuilt Juna Somnath Temple	Development works around the Somnath temple, building Parvati Mandir

**Unlike leaders of the past, PM Modi wears his culture on his sleeve**

- PM Modi has never shied away from giving our culture its due respect.
- The government, too, works to promote India's culture and values.
- In the gifts that PM Modi gives to dignitaries, and the places world leaders visit in India, our cultural heritage is highlighted.
- He has also made proactive efforts to ensure the return of stolen antiquities and artefacts.

**From Somnath to Kedarnath, from Ayodhya to Ajmer, from Varanasi to Velankanni**

- Modi government considers it a duty to preserve sites of importance, irrespective of region or religion.
- While PM Modi's work in Somnath, Ayodhya, Kedarnath, etc, are well

known, places of every religion are being developed under PRASHAD scheme.

- Upgrade of Cheraman Juma Mosque, Hazratbal, Ajmer, St Thomas Shrine and Velankanni has been taken up.
- St Luke's Church in Kashmir was renovated and reopened after 3 decades.

**Honouring India's greats**

- Statue of Unity honours **Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel's** contribution to creating a united India.
- **Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose's** legacy being honoured: On the occasion of the 125th birth anniversary celebrations of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose, a multi-media exhibition- Nirbhik Subhas and 3D projection mapping show on Netaji was inaugurated by Hon'ble PM of India Shri Narendra Modi on 23 January, 2021. He also

unveiled a book "Letters of Netaji" and commemorative coin and stamp in the memory of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose. A statue honouring him was unveiled at India Gate.

- **Mahatma Gandhi's** legacy carried forward through Sabarmati Ashram redevelopment.
- Panchteerth brings **Dr. Babasaheb Ambedkar** to the centre of India's discourse and recognizing his contributions.
- **Jallianwala Bagh** memorial's uplift helps make memories of the freedom struggle relevant to future generations.
- 10 Tribal Freedom Fighter Museums being developed.
- No political bias in recognizing and respecting nation builders. Neither one person, nor one party, but a museum for all Prime Ministers at PM Sangrahalaya.

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# MILESTONES

## DID YOU KNOW?

Before 2014, only 13 stolen antiquities were returned to India from abroad. **Since 2014**, due to PM Modi's sustained political and diplomatic initiatives, **231 stolen antiquities have been recovered** and are in various stages of return to India.





PM Modi at Bhagwan Devnarayan ji's birthplace in Rajasthan



Promenade at Somnath temple



Prime Minister Narendra Modi launched "Har Ghar Tiranga" campaign to encourage people to bring the Tiranga home and hoist it to mark the 75th year of India's independence



Jallianwala Bagh Smarak complex

# Celebrating Sikh culture RESPECTING THE HOLY GURUS

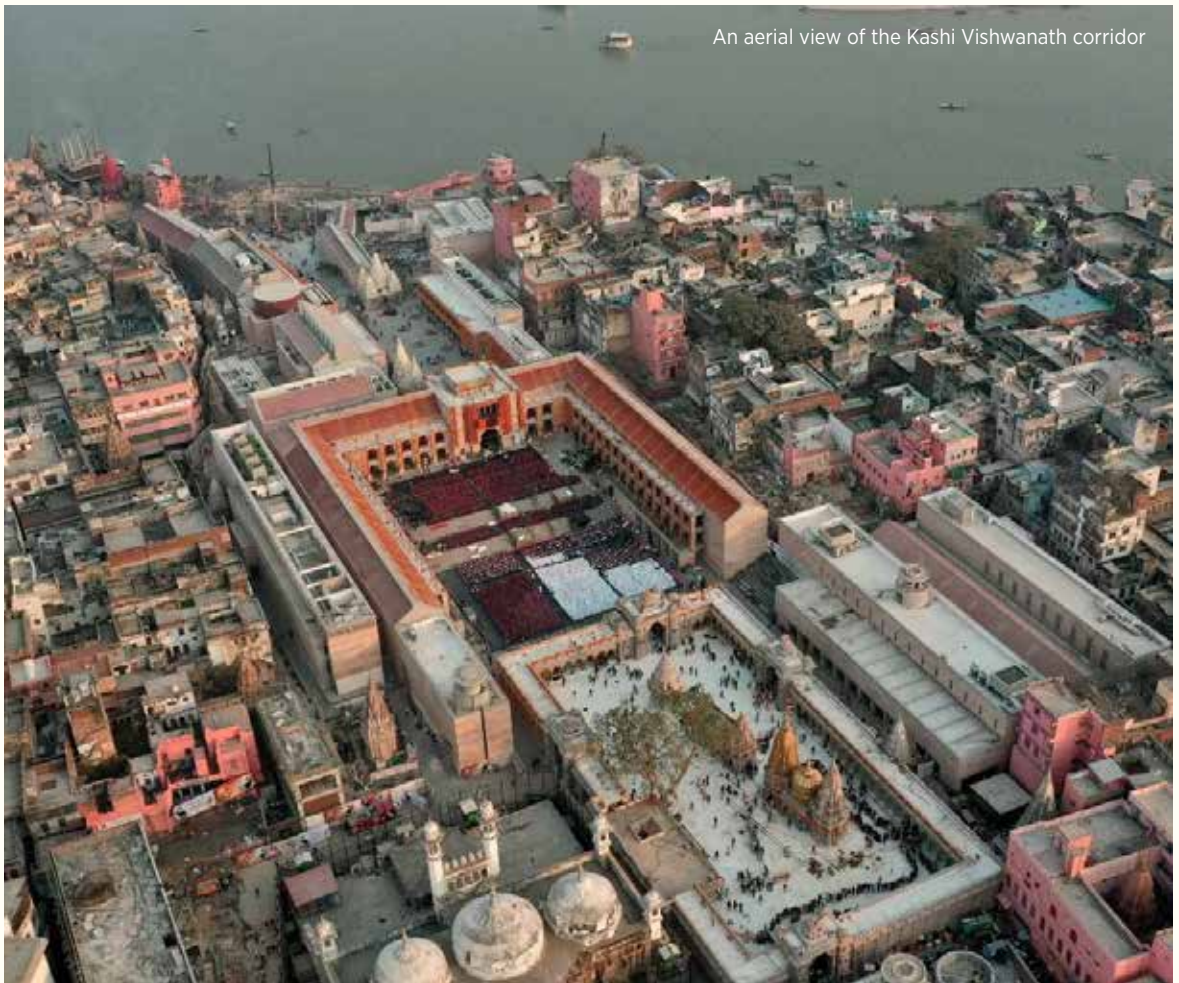


## PM Sangrahalaya, New Delhi





**National Police  
Memorial**  
Pending since: 1994  
Approved: 2014  
Inaugurated: **2018**



# Mann Ki Baat, Inspiring Change



“  
‘Mann Ki Baat’ is not a matter of government  
– it is a matter of society. ‘Mann Ki Baat’ is  
about an aspirational India, ambitious India.

- Narendra Modi





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'Mann Ki Baat' completes **100<sup>th</sup> episode**

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'Mann Ki Baat' started on **3 October 2014**

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Prime Minister interacts with the people on the last Sunday of every month

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The program reaches people in **22 Indian languages, 29 dialects** and **11 foreign languages** apart from English

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According to a survey, **65%** people said that listening to 'Mann Ki Baat' has made them have a positive attitude towards the country

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More than **100 crore** countrymen have heard 'Mann Ki Baat' at least once, of which **23 crore** are regular listeners

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PM unveils the statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose at India Gate, during the inauguration of the Kartavya Path, in New Delhi on September 08, 2022.



Global Buddhist Summit

**“The Eightfold Path of Lord Buddha shows the way towards the well-being of many societies and nations. It highlights the importance of compassion and kindness. The teachings of Lord Buddha celebrate simplicity both in thought and action”**

**- Narendra Modi**

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*India is committed to furthering sustainable development in line with our culture of living in harmony with nature.*

**- Narendra Modi**

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# ENVIRONMENT AND SUSTAINABILITY

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# OVERVIEW

The Atharva Veda says, 'The Earth is our Mother and we are her children'. Indian philosophy and lifestyle have always been rooted in the concept of coexistence with nature.

Over the last nine years, under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, India has emerged as a global leader in the fight against climate change.

When PM Modi took over in 2014, India was globally seen as a roadblock in climate negotiations. However, the Prime Minister has given solutions to forge a path forward. Since COP 21, the Prime Minister's principle of climate justice has ensured that equity concerns aren't ignored in climate change negotiations. India has remained focused on providing a 'fair deal'.

At COP26 in Glasgow, the Prime Minister introduced the idea of LiFE. India believes that climate action starts at the individual level and Prime Minister Modi has provided a simple solution to the complex problem of climate change.

There has been a significant increase in forest cover in the country. Over the past decade, the tiger population in India has more than doubled and today India is home to 75% of the world's tiger population

Further the inter-continental translocation of African cheetahs has provided a boost to India's wildlife diversity. In 2023, after 70 years, cheetah cubs were born in India as the wildcat had previously become extinct in the country.

While many countries fail to fulfil their climate targets, India has hit targets long before deadlines. For example, the target for achieving 40% of installed electricity capacity from non-fossil sources, which was set at COP 21, was fulfilled nine years ahead of schedule. Targets set for Ethanol Blended Petrol under the National Policy on Biofuels were also achieved 5 months ahead of schedule.

The Namami Gange programme has successfully arrested pollution of the holy river and improved water quality at numerous locations. This cause has been extremely close to PM Modi's heart, as evident in his decision to donate all proceeds from an auction of gifts he received to the Namami Gange programme.

The last nine years have witnessed a rapid transition towards renewable sources of energy. Numerous incentives for the renewable energy sector and lower cost of inputs have led to a massive decrease in renewable energy tariffs.

Further, the UJALA programme has led to thousands of crores of savings while reducing carbon dioxide emissions.

Meanwhile, as part of its global leadership in promoting clean and renewable energy, India under PM Modi championed and led the formation of the International Solar Alliance.

The newly launched National Green Hydrogen Mission aims to make India energy independent, as well as a hub for the production and export of green hydrogen.

From cleanliness to avoiding single-use plastic, the Prime Minister has often encouraged citizens to make lifestyle changes to contribute to the environment. By transforming these causes into mass movements, he has ensured impact at scale rather than a temporary shift in public habits.

According to Prime Minister Modi - our planet is one but our efforts have to be many - One earth, many efforts. India stands ready to support any effort for a better environment and to further global wellness.

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# AT A GLANCE

As per 2022 census **India's Tiger population** is at a record high number of **3167 individuals**

**Project Cheetah**  
world's first inter-continental large wild carnivore translocation project

Projects worth over **Rs. 35,415 crore** launched under **Namami Gange Mission**

**COP-21 targets**  
on non-fossil fuel energy met **9 years ahead** of deadline

**Renewable energy capacity** has **more than doubled** since 2014

**Solar energy installed capacity** has **grown 2300%** since 2014

Nearly **62%** reduction in **solar energy tariffs** since 2014

**35 lakh** agricultural pumps to be solarised under **PM-KUSUM**

**36.86 crore** LED bulbs distributed under **UJALA scheme**

**12 Indian beaches** now have **Blue Flag Certification**

Palli in Jammu and Kashmir is India's first **'carbon neutral panchayat'**

**World's largest solar park**  
(Over 2,200 MW) commissioned in Bhadla, Rajasthan

# POINTS TO REMEMBER

## Ensuring sustainable development

- Modi government has demonstrated that **development can go hand-in-hand with environmental protection.**
- Environmental law reforms under PM Modi have led to **both better compliance and ease of doing business.**

## India is shaping the global climate change debate

- Unlike the past, India is now a **leading voice** in climate change negotiations.
- India has made **'climate justice' central** to global climate change discourse.
- PM Modi's **'Panchamrit' and 'LIFE – Lifestyle For**

**Environment'** initiatives highlight India's position as a global role model in countering climate change.

- **GOBARdhan** is a Waste to Wealth initiative in tune with the circular economy and Mission LiFE initiatives of GoI, launched on 30 April, 2018 as a part of SBM-G.
- Beneficiaries of GOBARdhan projects from biogas and sale of bio-slurry are industries/ entrepreneurs, rural households, farmers, SHGs, Gaushalas, Gram Panchayats.
- GOBARdhan ensures scientific management of bio-waste, resulting in cleanliness in villages and generation of wealth and energy by converting

cattle dung and solid agricultural waste into compost and biogas.

## Transformation of India's green landscape through Jan Bhagidari

- Big targets and speedy achievement have been hallmarks of India's renewable energy policy.
- Since 2014, there has been a 23-fold increase in solar energy capacity.
- PM Modi has encouraged people's participation in environmental protection.
- From Swachh Bharat to the end of single-use plastic, he has motivated citizens and brought a voluntary change in everyday habits.

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## Did you know?

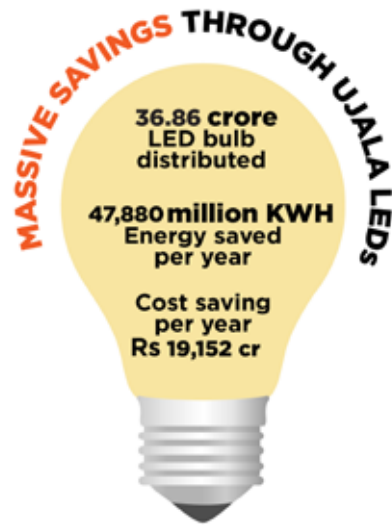
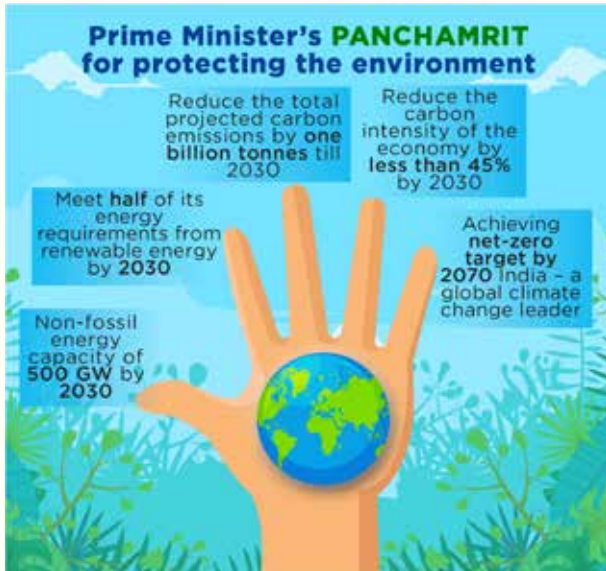
At the COP26 Summit in Glasgow, PM Modi pitched for a 'one-word movement' before the world in the form of 'LIFE' which stands for 'Lifestyle for Environment'

The Prime Minister called upon the world to make **'Lifestyle for Environment' i.e. LiFE** a global mission to fight climate change. The vision emphasizes not only energy production but also energy conservation and sustainable living. These solutions include energy-efficient ACs, geysers, heaters and ovens.

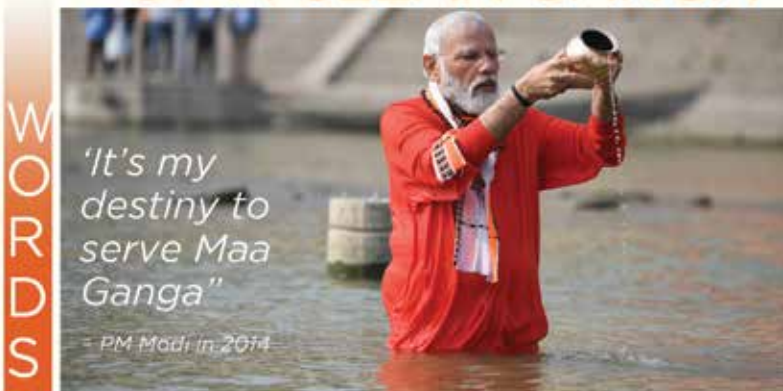




# MILESTONES



## REALIZING THE DREAM OF A CLEAN GANGA



### Namami Gange programme launched in 2014 as a flagship initiative

- 424 projects sanctioned at a cost of Rs. 35,415 crore. Out of these, 243 projects have been completed.
- Increase in Sewage Treatment Plant capacity has led to a cleaner river.
- Aquatic species like dolphins are returning.
- Millions of litres of pollutants that used to be dumped into the river stopped.

**ACTION**

# The story of India's massive renewable energy push

PM Modi promised the world that India would hit 500 GW non-fossil fuel based power capacity by 2030.

Ambitious? But India is already setting record pace.

Non-fossil fuel based power is 42.97% of total installed capacity.

India's installed clean energy capacity grew a whopping

**2.25 times** since 2014!

As of March 2014

**76.38 GW**

was India's installed clean energy capacity.



In just 9 years, he has more than doubled that to

**172 GW**

Here's how India is an emerging global leader in renewable energy!

- India now has the **4<sup>th</sup> largest** clean energy capacity in the world.
- India has the **4<sup>th</sup> largest** installed wind energy capacity.
- India has the **5<sup>th</sup> largest** solar installed capacity.

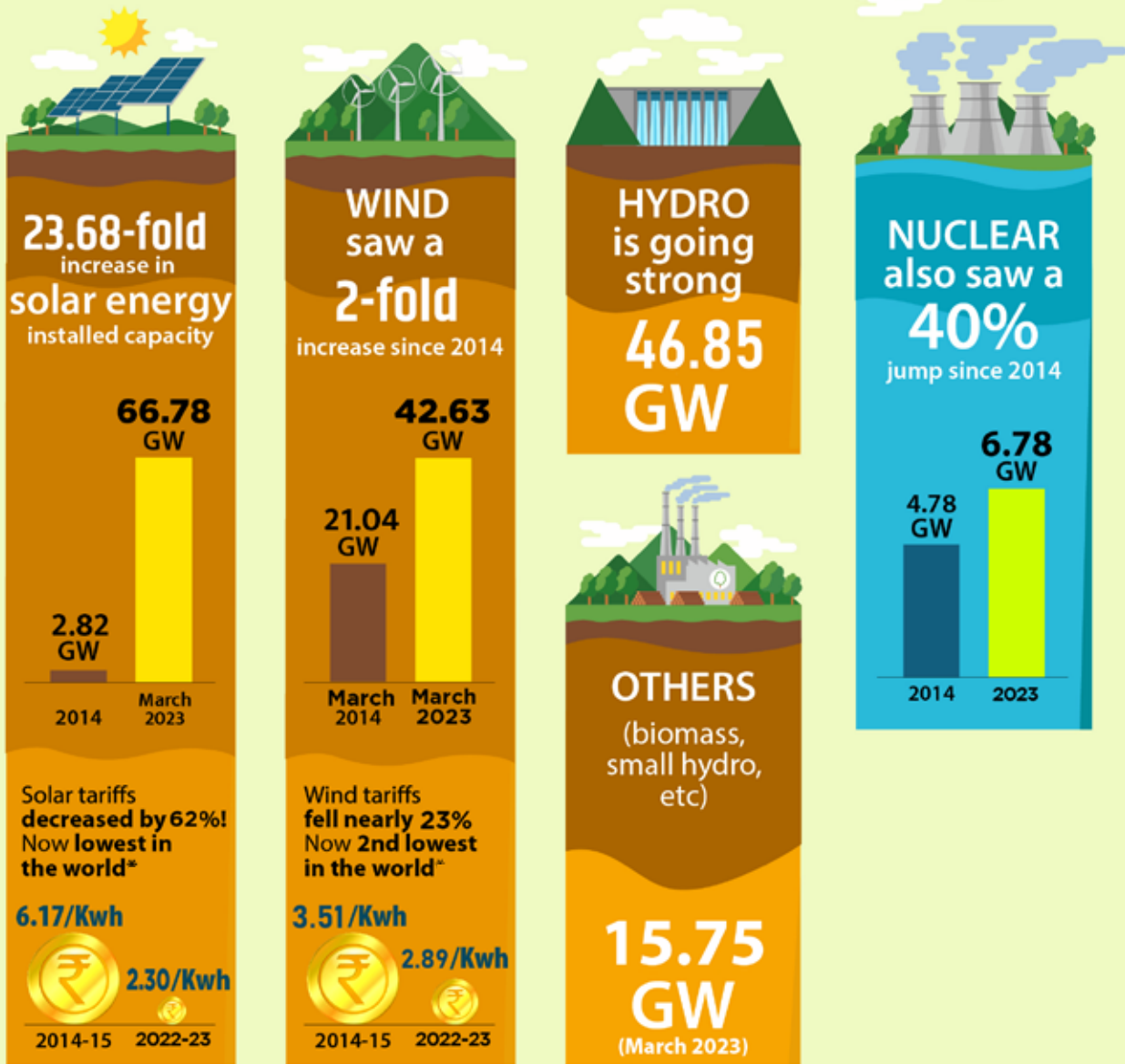
The Renewable Energy Country Attractiveness Index ranks countries on attractiveness of investment and deployment opportunities.



Rising up in the Renewable Energy Country Attractiveness Index



## What is behind this massive surge?



It is not enough to increase capacity. Adoption matters too. Hence, tariffs have also been reduced.

### India is leading by example

Achieved COP21 target of 40% energy from non-fossil fuel sources almost a **decade ahead of schedule**.

India remains on track to fulfil the **Sustainable Development Goals**.

### Bringing A Global Transformation

PM Modi spearheaded the global initiative to form the **International Solar Alliance** which has 92 member countries.

# 9 Years

## Swachh Bharat Mission

**2014**

Expanding access to toilets to all the rural households

**11.72 Crore**

HOUSEHOLD  
TOILETS  
CONSTRUCTED

## PMSBY: Pradhan Mantri Suraksha Bima Yojana

**2015**

Gol's accident insurance scheme

**32.97 Crore**

CITIZENS ENROLLED

## PMJDY: Pradhan Mantri Jan-Dhan Yojana

**2014**

Expanding universal access to banking and financial services

**48.27 Crore**  
BANK ACCOUNTS



## PMMY: Pradhan Mantri MUDRA Yojana

**2015**

Micro-credit to small business owners of up to Rs. 10 lakh

**39.65 Crore**  
LOANS SANCTIONED

- Launch Year
- Details of Benefit
- No. of beneficiaries

# Seva Sushasan Garib Kalyan

PM-Kisan: Pradhan Mantri  
Kisan Samman Nidhi

**2019**

Assured cash transfer of  
Rs. 6,000 per year to farmers

**11.39 Crore**  
FARMERS

Pradhan Mantri  
Ayushman Bharat  
Yojana

**2018**

Access to  
health insurance  
coverage for free

More than  
**23.19 Crore**  
HEALTH INSURANCE  
CARDS

## Seva, Sushasan Garib Kalyan

PMJJBY:  
Pradhan Mantri  
Jeevan Jyoti Bima Yojana

**2015**

Gol's life insurance scheme

**15.54 Crore**  
CITIZENS ENROLLED

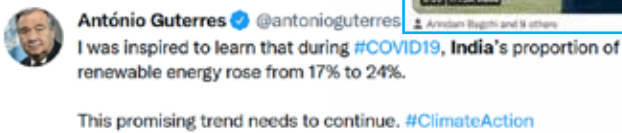
PMUY:  
Pradhan Mantri  
Ujjwala Yojana

**2016**

Free connections  
to clean-cooking  
fuel (LPG)

**9.6 Crore**  
WOMEN

# GLOBAL PRAISE FOR INDIAN LEADERSHIP





### IMF Projections: 2022

- USA 🇺🇸: 5.2%
- Germany 🇩🇪: 4.6%
- France 🇫🇷: 3.9%
- Italy 🇮🇹: 4.2%
- Spain 🇪🇸: 6.4%
- Japan 🇯🇵: 3.2%
- UK 🇬🇧: 5%
- Canada 🇨🇦: 4.9%
- China 🇨🇳: 5.6%
- India 🇮🇳: 8.5%
- Russia 🇷🇺: 2.9%
- Brazil 🇧🇷: 1.5%
- Mexico 🇲🇽: 4%
- KSA 🇸🇦: 4.8%
- Nigeria 🇳🇮: 2.7%
- S. Africa 🇿🇦: 2.2%



Ray Dalio @RayDalio

In my opinion, Indian's Prime Minister Modi is one of the best, if not the best, leaders in the world. I had an opportunity to explore with him how he thinks as well as what he thinks. If you're interested in listening to it, here it is:

YouTube



Ray Dalio & India's PM Narendra Modi Discuss Meditation, the World,....



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Very impressed with India's initiative on Ayushman Bharat or universal Health Coverage! Thank you Prime Minister @narendramodi. Great commitment! Thank you 🇮🇳 Minister of Health, @JPNadda, for meeting me today!



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India's investment in innovation is paying off: India's rise in the Global Innovation Index is the largest jump among the world's major economies since 2015. [wipo.int/gii](http://wipo.int/gii) #GII2019



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India has achieved the fastest-growing rate of renewable electricity growth in any major economy, thanks to a proactive approach that allowed utilities to find a cost-efficient way to incorporate #renewable #energy. Read the blog [wrlid.bg/Rrti50Kz2h2](http://wrlid.bg/Rrti50Kz2h2)



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