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As the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, inaugurated the new parliament house, a glorious chapter was added to the saga of the remarkable achievements of the Modi government. A building combining heritage with modernity, equipped with advanced facilities and a futuristic vision, celebrates architectural genius and Indian grandeur. The inauguration of the new parliament house has once again filled the hearts of every Indian with a sense of pride and achievement, strengthening their faith in the dream of a New India that is self-reliant, strong, and developed. The new parliament building not only symbolises the success of Indian democracy; it also reinforces faith in the democratic system and represents its strength and vibrancy. It also represents the magical transformation that has led billions of dreams to blossom, creating new aspirations while fulfilling the earlier ones. While it reinforces faith in democracy and democratic institutions, it also inspires the world in many ways. It has rightly become a source of national pride.

While the entire world watches with a sense of awe and appreciation when India gifts itself the new parliament house, it was something impossible to even dream of just nine years ago. As the nation today celebrates its glorious journey of the last nine years of Modi government, the Congress-led UPA days still haunt the memory of the people. The Congress led UPA era of misrule, corruption, looting of public money, policy paralysis, and weak-kneed defence policy had created an atmosphere of hopelessness and negativity, resulting in people losing trust in politics and political leaders. Every day, the newspaper headlines carried a new scam as the economy was in shambles with growth rates touching new lows and double-digit inflation. India was counted among the fragile five economies of the world, with terror outfits knocking at its doors at the behest of Pakistan as Congress tried to appease the separatist forces within the country. The condition was deplorable, and the nation was fully submerged in despair.

The journey from ‘fragile five’ to ‘top five’ in the last nine years has been a saga of transformative change, targeted reforms, and strengthening of the politics of performance in the country. As the fastest-growing major economy in the world, India is seen as a ‘bright spot’ in the otherwise gloomy global scenario, becoming the growth engine of the world in the post-Covid era. Today, if one looks back to the last nine years, every sector shows amazing transformation with miraculous success stories. While figures show the emergence of a New India, the vulnerable sections of society have earned new confidence on the strength of numerous innovative schemes and effective measures that empower them and improve their lives drastically. The poor, farmers, labourers, SCs, STs, OBCs, oppressed, exploited, women, and youth—all have found their voice and opportunities to march ahead with their heads held high. From villages to urban centres, from agriculture to manufacturing, and from handicrafts to the digital world, India is leading everywhere with newfound confidence and hope for the future.

As the nation moves ahead in the ‘Amrit Kaal’, with the principles of ‘panch pran’ inscribed in its heart, realising the dream of a developed India doesn’t appear too far away. In the last nine years, despite many adversities, including the COVID-19 pandemic, a disruptor, and anti-development opposition, India has done wonders by elevating itself from local to global forums. As India marches ahead under the charismatic and visionary leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, there is no doubt that the resolve of the ‘Amrit Kaal’ will be realised. India’s amazing performance is inspiring the world.
Addressing the gathering, the Prime Minister remarked that there are few moments in every nation’s history that are immortalized. Some dates become the immortal signature on the face of time, the Prime Minister said “The 28th of May, 2023 is one such day.” “People of India have given themselves a gift for the Amrit Mahotsav”, he said. The Prime Minister congratulated everyone on this glorious occasion.

This is a temple of our democracy

The Prime Minister said that this is not merely a building but is a reflection of the aspirations and dreams of 140 crore Indians. “This is a temple of our democracy that gives a message of India’s resolution to the world”, he said. He continued, “This new Parliament building connects planning to reality, policy to realization, willpower to execution, and sankalp to siddhi”. This will be a medium for realizing the dreams of the freedom fighters. It will witness the sunrise of Aatmnirbhar Bharat and will see the realization of a Viksit Bharat. The Prime Minister said that this new building is an example of the coexistence of ancient and modern.

World is looking towards India’s determination

“New models can be established only by treading new paths”, the Prime Minister remarked as he highlighted that the New India is realizing new goals and paving new ways. “There is a new energy, new zeal, new enthusiasm, new thinking and a new journey. There are new visions, new directions, new resolutions and a new trust”, Shri Modi exclaimed. The Prime Minister said that the world is looking towards India’s determination, its citizens’ vigour and the life of human power in India with respect and hope. “When India moves forward, the world moves forward”, he remarked. The Prime Minister underlined that the new Parliament House will invoke the development of the world from the development of India.

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi dedicated the new Parliament House to the nation on 28 May, 2023. Earlier in the day, the Prime Minister installed the Sengol with Nandi at the top facing East-West direction in the new Parliament House. He also lit up the Diya and offered flowers to the Sengol. After performing Havan and Puja, Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the new Parliament. On the occasion the PM also released a special commemorative postage stamp and a Rs. 75 coin to mark the inauguration of the new Parliament building.

‘New Parliament will become the basis for creation of a new, prosperous, strong and developed India’
Sacred Sengol

Referring to the establishment of sacred Sengol, the Prime Minister said that in the great Chola empire, Sengol was seen as a symbol of the path of service duty and nation. He said under the guidance of Rajaji and Adheenam, this Sengol became the sacred symbol of the transfer of power. The Prime Minister once again bowed to the Adheenam saints who came to bless the occasion this morning. “It is our good fortune that we could restore the dignity of this sacred Sengol. This Sengol will keep on inspiring us during the proceedings of the House”, he said.

India is mother of democracy

“India is not only a democratic nation but also the mother of democracy”, the Prime Minister said as he noted that the nation is the principal foundation for global democracy. He underlined that democracy is not just a system that is practiced in India but it is a culture, thought and tradition. Referring to the Vedas, the Prime Minister highlighted that it teaches us the principles of democratic assemblies and committees. He also mentioned the Mahabharata where one can find the description of a Republic and said that India has lived and breathed democracy in Vaishali. “The Anubhav Mantappa of Lord Basweswara is a thing of pride for all of us”, Shri Modi added. Highlighting the inscriptions found in Tamil Nadu belonging to 900 AD, the Prime Minister said that it surprises everyone even in today’s day and age. “Our democracy is our inspiration and our Constitution is our resolution”, Shri Modi said as he noted that the biggest representative of this resolution is the Parliament of India. Reciting a shloka, the Prime Minister explained that luck runs out for those who stop moving forward, but the fate of those who keep moving forward continues to soar.

Amrit Kaal

The Prime Minister said that after years of slavery, after losing so much, India resumed its journey and reached the Amrit Kaal. “Amrit Kaal is a period of forging new dimensions of development while preserving our heritage. This is Amrit Kaal of giving a new direction to the nation. This is Amrit Kaal of fulfilling innumerable aspirations”, he said. Underscoring the need for new lifeblood for democracy through a verse, the Prime Minister emphasized that the workplace of the democracy, i.e. Parliament should also be new and modern.

India of the 21st century is filled with confidence

The Prime Minister recalled the golden period of India’s prosperity and architecture. He said that centuries of slavery robbed us of this glory. The Prime Minister said that India of the 21st century is filled with confidence. “Today’s India is leaving behind the mentality of slavery and embracing that ancient glory of art. This new Parliament Building is a living example of this endeavour”, the Prime Minister said. “This building has Virasat (heritage) as well as Vastu (Architecture),
JP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda in his tweeter massage highly appreciated Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi’s decision to install the sacred Sengol in the historic moment of the inauguration of the New Parliament building. The sacred Sengol is of national significance and holds historical importance. It was first received by Pt.Jawaharlal Nehru on August 14, 1947, in presence of leaders like Shri Rajendra Prasad, from priests specially flown in from Tamilnadu.

A solemn and sacred Tamil tradition of Sengol Vesting Ceremony accompanied by a recital of 11 verses from the Theveram text, invoking the blessings of Lord Shiva, for the ruler took place just before Pandit Nehru hoisted the national flag and made his ‘Tryst with Destiny’ address, symbolising the transfer of power from British Viceroy Lord Mountbatten to Indian Prime Minister Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru. The Sengol represents the highest moral authority to rule.

I thank the Prime Minister for bringing back to life this very important aspect of our history - that the transfer of power to the people of India from a foreign ruler was not direct but through a spiritual process, as known to ancient India. This also emphasises the emotional and spiritual integration of India, from North to South.

There is no more appropriate occasion than ‘Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav’ to recall the event on the eve of India’s independence and no better place for the sacred Sengol, than the hallowed portals of the New Parliament.

Sengol - symbol of transfer of power from the British to India: Amit Shah

This is the same Sengol that was accepted by the first Prime Minister of India, Shri Jawaharlal Nehru at his residence on the night of 14th August, 1947 in the presence of several leaders.

Recalling the entire event that took place on the occasion of India’s independence, Home Minister Shri Amit...
Shah on 24 May, 2023 said, “Even after 75 years of independence, most of the people in India are not aware of this event in which India's transfer of power took place through handing over of Sengol to Pt Jawaharlal Nehru. It was a special occasion on the night of August 14, 1947, celebrating India's independence. On this night Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru received the 'Sengol' from the Adheenams (Priests) of the Thiruvaduthurai Adheenam (Mutt) in Tamil Nadu, who had specially arrived for the occasion. It was precisely the moment in which power was transferred by the British into the hands of Indians. What we are celebrating as independence is actually marked by the very moment of handing over the 'Sengol'.

The Hon’ble Prime Minister took a decision to adopt the Sengol as a national symbol of the Amrit Kaal. The new building of Parliament will witness the very same event, with Adheenam(Priests) repeating the ceremony and vesting the Hon’ble PM with the Sengol.

The same “Sengol” from 1947 will be installed by the Hon’ble Prime Minister in the Lok Sabha, prominently close to the Speaker’s podium. It will be displayed for the Nation to see, and will be taken out on special occasions.

Home Minister Shri Amit Shah said that the Parliament House is the most appropriate and sacred place to install the historic "Sengol". The establishment of “Sengol”, makes the spirit of 15 August 1947 unforgettable. It is the symbol of the promise of boundless hope, boundless possibilities and a resolve to build a strong and prosperous nation. It will be a symbol of the Amrit Kaal, which will witness the glorious era in which India will be taking its rightful place.

A special website (sengol1947.ignca.gov.in), with details and downloadable videos about the Sengol, was launched by the Home Minister at the event on that day He said, “We want the people of India to see this and learn about this historic event. It is a matter of pride for all."
Kala (art) as well as kaushal (skill), sanskriti (culture) as well as notes of Samvidhan (Constitution). He pointed out that the interiors of Lok Sabha are themed on the national bird peacock and Rajya Sabha on the national flower lotus. The Parliament premises have the national tree Banyan. The new building incorporates the specialities of different parts of the country. He mentioned granite from Rajasthan, timber from Maharashtra and carpet by Bhadhoi artisans. “We witness the spirit of ‘Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat’ in every particle of this building”, he said.

**New Parliament House equipped with latest technology**

The Prime Minister pointed out the difficulties faced by the Parliamentarians in getting work done in the old Parliament building and gave examples of challenges due to the lack of technical facilities and paucity of seats in the House. The need for a new Parliament, the Prime Minister said, was being discussed for decades and it was the need of the hour that a new Parliament should be developed. He expressed delight that the new Parliament House is equipped with the latest technology and the halls are also sunlit.

**Contributions of Shramiks immortalized**

Recalling his interactions with the ‘Shramiks’ who contributed to the construction of the new Parliament, the Prime Minister informed that 60,000 Shramiks were given employment during the construction of the Parliament and a new gallery has been put up in the house highlighting their contributions. “It is the first time that the contributions of Shramiks have been immortalized in the new Parliament”, the Prime Minister remarked.

Talking about the last 9 years, the Prime Minister said any expert will treat these 9 years as years of reconstruction and Gareeb Kalyan. He said that in this hour of pride for the new building, he also felt satisfaction for the 4 crore houses for the poor. Similarly, the Prime Minister expressed satisfaction with measures like 11 crore toilets, more than 4 lakh km of roads to connect villages, more than 50 thousand Amrit Sarovars, and more than 30 thousand new Panchayat Bhawans. “From Panchayat Bhawans to Parliament only one inspiration guided us, that is, the development of the nation and its people”, he added.

**Azadi Ka Amrit Kaal is a historic period**

Recalling his address to the nation from the Red Fort on the occasion of Independence Day, the Prime Minister said there comes a time in the history of every country when the consciousness of that country is awakened. He underlined that such a time had come in India 25 years before independence during Gandhi Ji’s non-cooperation movement which filled the entire country with a belief. “Gandhi ji had connected every Indian with the resolution of Swaraj. This was the time when every Indian was fighting for freedom”, the Prime Minister remarked as he highlighted that its result was India’s independence in 1947. Shri Modi said that the Azadi Ka Amrit Kaal is a stage in independent India which can be compared to the historic period. He noted that India will complete 100 years of its independence in the next 25 years which is the ‘Amrit Kaal’. The Prime Minister emphasized the need to make
India a developed nation in these 25 years with the contributions of every citizen. “History is witness that the faith of Indians is not limited to the nation itself”, the Prime Minister noted as he highlighted that India’s freedom struggle had awakened a new consciousness in many countries of the world at that time.

**Spirit of - Nation First**

“When a country like India, full of diversity, with a huge population that tackles various challenges, moves forward with a belief, it inspires many countries of the world. Every achievement of India is going to become an achievement for different countries in different parts of the world in the coming days”, he said. The Prime Minister underlined India’s responsibility becomes bigger as its determination to develop will become the strength of many other countries.

The Prime Minister said that the new Parliament Building will strengthen the nation’s belief in its success and will inspire everyone towards a Viksit Bharat. “We will have to move with a spirit of - Nation First. We will have to keep the path of duty above all. We will have to be an example with our conduct while constantly improving ourselves. We will have to tread our own path”, he said.

**New Parliament will give new energy and strength**

The Prime Minister said that the new Parliament will give new energy and strength to the largest democracy of the world. He said while our Shramjivis have made the Parliament so grand, it is the responsibility of the Parliamentarians to make it divine with their dedication. Stressing the importance of the Parliament, the Prime Minister said that it is the resolution of 140 crore Indians that consecrates the Parliament. He expressed the hope that every decision taken here will adorn the coming centuries and strengthen the coming generations. The Prime Minister underlined that the path of empowerment of the poor, dalit, backward, tribal, disabled, and every deprived family of the society, along with prioritizing the development of the deprived will pass through this Parliament. “Every brick, every wall, every particle of this new Parliament House will be dedicated to the welfare of the poor”, Shri Modi said. In the next 25 years, the Prime Minister emphasized that the new laws to be made in this new Parliament House will make India a developed nation, help in pushing poverty out of India and create new opportunities for the youth and women of the country.

Concluding the address, the Prime Minister expressed confidence that the new building of the Parliament will become the basis for the creation of a new, prosperous, strong and developed India. “This is an India that walks the path of policy, justice, truth, dignity and duty and becomes stronger”, the Prime Minister concluded.

Speaker of Lok Sabha, Shri Om Birla, and Deputy Speaker of Rajya Sabha, Shri Harivansh Narayan Singh, dignitaries, Ministers, CMs, Deputy CMs and special guests were present on the occasion among others.

**Highlights**

- Artworks on display in the new Parliament building, narrate the stories of India’s democratic traditions from the Vedic period to the present day.
- The Constitution Hall, which has a digitised copy of the Indian Constitution, has a touch of modernity as it also houses a Foucault’s Pendulum to demonstrate the rotation of the earth.
- The Lok Sabha and the Rajya Sabha chambers boast of a digitised voting system, well-engineered acoustics, and state-of-the-art audio-visual systems to ensure effective legislative proceedings.
- The building has three ceremonial foyers where huge brass images of Mahatma Gandhi, Chanakya, Gargi, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, BR Ambedkar, and the Chariot Wheel from the Sun Temple at Konark are on display.
- The four-storey Parliament House has a built up area of 64,500 sqm and has two chambers – 888-seater Lok Sabha, which can accommodate 1,272 members for the joint sitting of both the Houses, and the 384-seater Rajya Sabha chamber.
- The building opens into a central courtyard with a banyan tree. The new building also has six new committee rooms and 92 rooms for use as offices for the Council of Ministers.

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The Narendra Modi government at the centre has very successfully completed nine years in the office on 30 May 2023 and to mark the occasion, the Bharatiya Janata Party National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda kickstarted a month-long mega outreach programme from May 31 to June 30 where the focus will be the highly successful public service, good governance and welfare scheme and policies of PM Shri Narendra Modi. Inaugurating the mass outreach program Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed a mega rally at Ajmer in Rajasthan. The party is also organising 51 such mega rallies across the country and PM Shri Modi is also scheduled to address many of these rallies. As per the information, the Bharatiya Janata Party will organise various programmes through 144 clusters covering 543 Lok Sabha seats and over 4000 Vidhan Sabha seats across the country.

In the past nine years, the Modi Government has been dedicated to the making of a “New India” and that of the welfare and empowerment of the poor. Today, the whole world is saying that the 21st century belongs to India. In the past nine years India has transformed from policy paralysis to decisive policy while our economy has moved from being among “fragile five” to now established as “top five”. In the past nine years the people of India has shunned the politics of “one family and its own development” and embraced the policy of “Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas”. PM Shri Narendra Modi has ended the politics of casteism, dynasty, nepotism, corruption and appeasement, and has established the politics of development, accountability and transparency.

Following the completion of nine eventful years at the Centre Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said he is filled with humility and gratitude on the completion of nine years of BJP government. Shri Narendra Modi expressed his happiness over completing nine years at the Centre. In a twitter message Shri Modi said, “Today, as we complete 9 years in service to the nation, I am filled with humility and gratitude. Every decision made, every action taken, has been guided by the desire to improve the lives of people. We will keep working even harder to build a developed India. #9YearsOfSeva”.

He also invited people to go through the nine years journey of the Modi government on 9years.narendramodi.in. “9 years of unwavering dedication to the nation’s growth. I invite everyone to visit this site https://nm-4.com/9yrsofseva to get a glimpse of our development journey. It also gives an opportunity to highlight how people have benefited from various Government schemes. #9YearsOfSeva,” he further wrote in a tweet.
The Modi government made historic achievements during its nine years at the centre and India is marching ahead with full confidence, enthusiasm and a resolve to become a developed country.

BJP National President Shri JP Nadda said Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi keeps the resolution of 'Antyodaya' and service paramount in his policies, and the BJP government is ensuring that benefits of welfare schemes reach the last man in the queue. Basic needs like health, education, economic self-reliance, road, water, electricity reached the country's remote areas during the nine years of the Prime Minister Narendra Modi’s government, he added.

"Nine years of the Modi government have been of service, good governance and poor welfare," Shri Nadda tweeted. "Historic achievements have been made in the areas of national security, self-reliance, global prestige, economic strengthening etc."

"The reach of the government's welfare schemes is being ensured to the person at the end of the queue. Basic needs like health, education, economic self-reliance, road, water, electricity have reached remote areas," he said in a series of tweets.

In the ‘Amrit Kaal of Independence’, the BJP National President said, the country is marching ahead on the path of progress with full confidence and enthusiasm with the resolve of becoming a developed India.

While many of the developed countries have not been able to come out of the crisis precipitated by the Covid-19 pandemic, India is moving forward on the path of development at a fast pace, he added.

"Inspired by the spirit of 'Nation First', our government has given a new direction to India's destiny and future through several epoch-making decisions," he said. "Respected Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji’s resolution of 'Panch Pran' shows us the way, he added".
India has gained a position of prominence: PM

9 years dedicated towards good governance and welfare of poor

PM Shri Modi said, “These nine years have been dedicated towards good governance and welfare of poor. The governance has been directed towards ‘Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas’. The previous regime can be characterized as ridden by corruption, cities being constantly attacked upon by terrorists, unsafe conditions for women, lack of basic amenities for the poor among others.” He added that the Congress-led UPA government’s Prime Minister was controlled by a superpower, the Congress Party which was a remote-controlled Government creating unstable and inefficient policies only pandering votes for appeasement.

India has gained a position of prominence

Elaborating on the situation in the country before 2014, PM Shri Modi said, “It was your vote that changed this system of maladministration and converted it to Good Governance. Today, India has gained a position of prominence and has achieved tremendous exports. The Congress-led misrule has also fooled the people of this country on Garibi Hatao”. One big example of Congress led misrule is the universal vaccination programme for the women and children, he added further.

Distributed over 19 crore gas connections

The PM remarked, “We all have seen our mothers cook food using wood as a fuel, and the Congress government only showed apathy towards women. In 2014 there were only 14 crores gas connections showcasing how an entire generation was deprived of gas connections in the country.” To this PM Modi added, “A situation like this was simply unacceptable to me and that over the past nine years we have distributed over 19 crore gas connections to the people of this country and have subsequently improved the lives of the womenfolk in this country.” Highlighting how the BJP-led NDA Government has addressed drinking water issue, the PM stated, “BJP Government has provided the state with 9 crore water connection in 3 years.”

‘One Rank One Pension’

Mentioning about the ‘One Rank, One Pension’ scheme, the Prime Minister said, “The very soldiers who protect our country against dangers were denied pension under the ‘One Rank One Pension’. The Congress only allocated Rs. 500 crores for this while we resolved the issues by allocating Rs. 18,000 crores for the same. We also cleared the arrears.”
BJP supported small and marginal farmers

Stating that the BJP has supported the small and marginal farmers, PM Shri Modi said, “The BJP Government has increased the budget allocated towards Agriculture by six times.” Shri Modi cited the various farmer-friendly initiatives like hike in MSP, farmers’ access to markets under E-NAM, PM Fasal Bima Yojana neem coating of urea, Soil Health Cards and PM-KISAN.

Corrupt Congress

Criticising the Congress for rampant corruption, PM Shri Modi said, “Today, people are witnessing development at unprecedented levels. For this it is important that the funds meant for development are used in its entirety. Quoting Former PM Rajiv Gandhi, ‘Who said for every rupee released for development, 85 paise is taken as commission’ PM Shri Modi said this showcases the corrupt nature of the Congress Party and its motto of 85 percent commission.”

On the contrary, he said, the BJP Government has spent over Rs. 24 lakh crores on infrastructure creation off which had the Congress party been power would have siphoned off Rs. 20 lakh crores.

New Parliament building

Speaking about the inauguration of the new Parliament building, Shri Modi said that the people of India at all times have shown great grit and persistence and this was very much visible during the COVID pandemic. He appreciated the ability of the people that has enabled India attain a position of prominence globally. “However, even during the inauguration of the New Parliament Building, the Congress-led opposition forces were continuously demeaning our sense of pride, they disregarded the efforts of the 60,000 Shramiks associated with its construction,” he added.

Stating that the Congress Government only promoted appeasement, misgovernance and encouragement to crimes in the state, making it unsafe for women, PM Modi shed light on the various measures undertaken by the BJP-led NDA Government for the welfare of citizens, particularly women.

Congress lacking agenda for development

Elaborating that the Congress Party lacked any agenda for development of Rajasthan, PM Modi mentioned, “The Congress Party has only indulged in falsity and fake guarantees and does not care about the genuine concerns of the people of Rajasthan and hence for this very purpose it is important that the people of Rajasthan are vigilant and do not fall prey to these false traps set by the Congress Party.”

Concluding his remarks, Shri Narendra Modi said, “The coming seven years are going to be crucial in ushering the process of development of our country across sectors such as infrastructure, manufacturing, education, tourism among others and for this very purpose the support and blessings of Rajasthan as a state are extremely important and imminent.”

Highlights

- We have prioritized women empowerment and consider them equal participants in Jan Bhagidari.
- Coming seven years are going to be crucial in ushering the process of development of our country.
- The Congress Party has only indulged in falsity and fake guarantees and does not care about the genuine concerns of the people of Rajasthan.
- Even during the inauguration of the New Parliament Building, the Congress-led opposition forces disregarded the efforts of the 60,000 Shramiks associated with its construction.
- Congress’s model of governance is based on 85 percent commission, depriving the welfare of the poor.
- Before 2014, India was governed by a Superpower and a remote-controlled Government.
Upon completion of nine years of the Modi government, the Bharatiya Janata Party organised media interactions simultaneously in every state across the country on 29 May, 2023 by the central ministers. In these programmes detailed discussions were held on the highly successful nine years of the Bharatiya Janata Party government led by the world's most popular leader, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the work culture, philosophy and achievements of the Modi Government. A detailed PowerPoint presentation was also made on the growth story of the country, major achievements and success stories of the Narendra Modi Government.

The nine years of the Narendra Modi Government has been dedicated to service to society, good governance, social welfare and empowerment of the poor and weaker sections of our society. Those present at the media interaction in all the states included the State Party President, a Union Minister and senior party leaders while in the BJP ruled states Chief Ministers and Deputy Chief Ministers of the respective states were also present during the media interaction.

The media interaction said it is a matter of great honour and satisfaction to see that when the nation is celebrating its Azadi ka Amritkal, the nation is achieving all its goals during the Amritkal under the leadership of Shri Narendra Modi. India is fast moving towards becoming a developed nation which is being made possible due to the past nine years of the Narendra Modi Government which has made a holistic roadmap to achieve this. On the political landscape Shri Narendra Modi has established a new trend of politics of service, politics of performance, politics of tangible changes, and politics of reform and perform.

After becoming the Prime Minister in 2014 Shri Narendra Modi has also established the policy of "Nation First". The nine years has also ensured holistic and equitable development. The Modi Government has also ensured that not a single citizen, not a single region, and not a single community remain untouched from growth and development.

In the past nine years youths have got new opportunities in jobs and self-employment, our farmers have become prosperous, living standards of poor has improved, women have been empowered, labourers now work with dignity. Under the dynamic leadership and foresight of the Prime Minister the country is fast moving towards becoming a developed country. The basic principle of our government is deep rooted in social welfare.

Prominent Union ministers who addressed the media interactions across the country include Union Finance Minister Smt. Nirmala Sitharaman and, Leader of House in Rajya Sabha and Union Commerce Minister Shri Piyush Goyal in Mumbai; Union Information and Broadcasting Minister Shri Anurag Thakur in Ahmedabad; Union Women and Child Development Minister Smt. Smriti Irani in Rohtak; Union Environment and Labour Minister Shri Bhupender Yadav in Bhopal; and Union Culture Minister Shri G Kishan Reddy in Bhubaneswar.

Similarly, other Union Ministers
who also interacted with the media include Railway Minister Shri Ashwani Vaishnnav in Guwahati; Union Jal Shakti Minister Shri Gajender Singh Shekhawat in Patna; Union Tribal Affairs Minister Shri Arjun Munda in Raipur; Union Minister Shri Prahlad Patel in Shimla; Union Health Minister Shri Mansukh Mandaviya in Kolkata; Union Urban Development Minister and Petroleum Minister Shri Hardeep Singh Puri in Lucknow; Union Fisheries and Dairy Development Minister Shri Purushottam Rupala in Port Blair; Union Civil Aviation and Steel Minister Shri Jyotiraditya Scindia in Delhi.

Likewise, Union Law Minister Shri Arjun Ram Meghwal was present in Hyderabad; Union Minister of State for Highways and Civil Aviation Shri V K Singh in Ranchi; Union Minister of State for External Affairs Smt Meenakshi Lekhi in Bengaluru; Union Minister of State for Social Justice Smt Pratima Bhaumik in Shillong; Union Minister of State for Finance Shri Bhagwat Karad in Panaji; and Union Minister of State for New and Renewable Energy Shri Bhagwat Khuba in Vijaywada.

BJP NATIONAL PRESIDENT PARTICIPATES AT “TIFFIN MEETING” IN NOIDA (UP)

'TIFFIN MEETING brings unity and friendship among party workers'

As part of ‘Maha Sampark Abhiyan’, marking completion of nine years of BJP-led NDA government at the Centre under the dynamic leadership of PM Shri Narendra Modi, BJP National President Shri JP Nadda participated in a “Tiffin Meeting” with party workers of western region of UP in Noida on 07 June, 2023.

Shri JP Nadda was accompanied by UP BJP President Shri Bhupendra Chaudhary, Gautam Budh Nagar MP Dr. Mahesh Sharma and Rajya Sabha MP Shri Surendra Nagar and UP BJP Vice-President Shri Pankaj Singh and other leaders.

Speaking to Karyakartas the BJP National President said the ‘Tiffin Meetings’ will be held from time to time. “This is becoming part of the BJP’s working style. It brings a culture of unity and friendship among party workers”.

He said the party has converted its meetings into “Tiffin Meetings” as suggested by PM Shri Narendra Modi. In Tiffin Meetings, the BJP workers bring food in tiffin and share them with other party workers. The party functionaries hold formal and informal discussions on how to strengthen the party and take the Central government’s public welfare schemes to the people.

Shri Nadda said the party is fully prepared for not only 2024 Lok Sabha polls but forthcoming assembly elections in states like Chhattisgarh, Rajasthan, Madhya Pradesh and Telangana.
This is the “New India” which is fast moving ahead on mission mode

The past nine years of the Narendra Modi Government has been dedicated to the making of “New India” and that of the welfare and empowerment of the poor. Today the whole world is saying that the 21st century belongs to India. In the past nine years India has transformed from “policy paralysis” to “decisive policy” while our economy has moved from being among “fragile five” to now established as “top five”.

In the past nine years the people of India has shunned the politics of “one family and its own development” and embraced the policy of “Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas”. Our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji has ended the politics of casteism, dynasty, nepotism, corruption and appeasement and has established the politics of development, accountability and transparency.

On the occasion of the completion of the nine years of the Narendra Modi Government, the Bharatiya Janata Party National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda has kickstarted a month long mega outreach programme from May 31 to June 30 where the focus will be the highly successful public service centric scheme and policies of the Shri Narendra Modi ji.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi will kickstart this nationwide mega outreach programme from Ajmer in Rajasthan. Next month 51 such maha rallies will organised across the country. Through digital rallies, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji will have direct conversation with crores of the Bharatiya Janata Party workers, his followers and well-wishers and with those who are working for our country and our society.

A website has also been launched which focuses on the nine years of the Narendra Modi Government and a missed call number 9090902024 has also been launched. In the next one month the Bharatiya Janata Party will organise its various programmes through 144 clusters covering 543 Lok Sabha seats and over 4000 Vidhan Sabha seats.

Similarly, public meetings will also be organised across the country with the theme of public service, good governance and welfare of poor people covering over 500 Lok Sabha and over 4,000 assembly constituencies. Press conferences will be organised at over 600 places across the country. In all these programmes over 16 lakh workers will participate.

The Bharatiya Janata Party will organise outreach programme to garner people’s support for our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji. Senior BJP leaders will meet over 5 lakh families across the country and seek support for the Narendra Modi Government. Similarly, BJP leaders will also meet important and influential citizens and seek support for our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji.

SALIENT POINTS OF THE PRESS CONFERENCE BY BJP NATIONAL GENERAL SECRETARY SHRI TARUN CHUGH ON 30 MAY, 2023 AT THE PARTY HEADQUARTERS IN NEW DELHI TO MARK THE COMPLETION OF THE NINE YEARS OF THE BJP GOVERNMENT UNDER THE LEADERSHIP OF PRIME MINISTER SHRI NARENDRA MODI JI.
During the month long campaign the Bharatiya Janata Party will also organise various programmes across the country which include two-wheeler rallies, outreach programme with party workers, one public meeting in each Vidhan Sabha, night stay at every village, Yuva Samwad programme, Janjatiya Gaurav Yatra, Modi Mitra Mandal, and social outreach campaign.

The Bharatiya Janata Party National President has created 144 clusters and in each cluster 3-4 Lok Sabha seats have been included. In each cluster senior BJP leaders will spend 8 days.

Two groups of party leaders and workers have been formed. 288 senior BJP leaders including Union Ministers and BJP functionaries will be part of these groups. These 288 leaders will meet over 1000 prominent families in every Vidhan Sabha, distribute booklets have details of the achievements of the Narendra Modi Government and seek their support for the Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji.

The Narendra Modi Government has done several important works in every Lok Sabha constituency. We celebrate it as a development pilgrimage of the New India. Our leaders and workers will go on development pilgrimage across the country in the next one month. Public rallies will be organised in each Vidhan Sabha. Interactions will be held with the beneficiaries of various schemes of the Narendra Modi Government in every Shakti Kendras.

The Bharatiya Janata Party will also organise exhibitions of the achievements of the Narendra Modi Government in the past nine years. In every booth the BJP workers will visit each household across the country from June 20-30. The people will be made aware about the message that this is the right time to further push the development journey of our country started by the Narendra Modi Government and that we cannot stop now and keep moving forward under the leadership of our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji.

During the previous government only 14 paise of the one rupee sent for development by the Centre used to reach the poor. But under the Narendra Modi Government if 100 rupees are sent from the Centre then this entire money reaches the poor, without getting siphoned off by commission agents and middlemen. Our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji has eradicated this corrupt “hand” which used to eat 85 paise of the poor from governance, and made governance free from corruption.

In the past nine years India has broken several shackles of colonialism. Now Raj Path is now Kartavya Path, Race Course Road is now Lok Kalyan Marg, and Prime Minister is now serving the people of the country as Pradhan Sewak.

Under the Narendra Modi Government Article 370 was repealed thus integrating Jammu and Kashmir with the country in its true sense, the curse of triple talaq was ended thus liberating our Muslim sisters, terrorism was sternly dealt with surgical strikes and air strikes, the centuries old issue was resolved which paved the way for the construction of the grand Ram Temple in Ayodhya.

Today’s India is proud of its rich legacy and history, and is developing fast to emerge as “New India”. Today India has pace in development, it has power and capabilities, it has strength and security, it has patience and understanding. This is the story of “New India” . It is the India of the vision and dreams of our Honourable Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji. This is the “New India” which is fast moving ahead on mission mode.
BJP National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda released a book titled “Amrit Kaal Ki Ore” based on nine Years’ Achievements of the Narendra Modi Government at the centre in New Delhi on June 05, 2023.

Addressing on the occasion, Shri Nadda said the nine years of the Modi government have transformed the country and its progress is being recognised by the entire world today. He said, there has been a big difference since 2014 when Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi took office.

The BJP National President said, from policy paralysis to a bold decision-making government, the political culture has changed drastically. He said, earlier there used to be vote bank politics and now it is report card politics.

Criticising Congress leader Rahul Gandhi, Shri Nadda said whenever India sets new records the ‘Yuvraj’ of Congress, Rahul Gandhi, cannot digest India’s pride. “On the one hand, he raises questions on the surgical strike, talks about dividing Hindu-Muslim, makes efforts to divide the society, and on the other hand, he says that he is running ‘mohabbat ki dukan’ (shop of love). You are not running any ‘mohabbat ki dukan’. You have opened ‘nafrat ka mega shopping mall’,” the BJP National President added.

BJP National President laid the foundation stone of Delhi BJP office

Bharatiya Janata Party’s National President Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda performed Bhumi Pujan and laid Foundation Stone of New State BJP Office of Delhi on June 9, 2023 at Pocket-5, Deendayal Upadhyay Marg, New Delhi. On this occasion National Vice President of the party Shri Baijayant Jai Panda, BJP National General Secretary (Organization) Shri BL Santosh, State BJP President Shri Virendra Sachdeva, Leader of the Opposition in the Delhi Legislative Assembly Shri Ramveer Singh Bidhuri, along with all senior leaders and party workers were present.

Addressing the program, Shri Nadda said that it is a matter of great fortune for all of us that after solving all the difficulties, Bhumi Pujan and foundation stone laying ceremony for the new BJP office of Delhi Pradesh has taken place today. I congratulate to all the leaders and workers of Delhi Pradesh BJP for this. The office has a unique role in promoting the party’s ideology and strengthening the party. Today after so many years Delhi Pradesh BJP is now having its own office. We are all witnessing this historic occasion. Shri Nadda recalled the works of visionary leaders of Delhi Pradesh BJP Shri Kedarnath Sahni, Shri Vijay Malhotra, Shri Madan Lal Khurana, Shri Arun Jaitley, Smt. Sushma Swaraj and Shri Sahib Singh Verma and described them as the foundation of BJP in Delhi.

BJP National President said that this journey starting from Ajmeri Gate to Pandit Deendayal Upadhyay Marg via Pant Marg has not happened just like that, but lakhs of workers have contributed in it. In 2014, Shri Narendra Modi came to the BJP office after becoming the Prime Minister. He had expressed his desire to have BJP’s own office in every state and every district, on which our then National President Shri Amit Shah decided to build office buildings in every state and every district. Bharatiya Janata Party decided to construct 887 office buildings. Today, more than 500 office buildings have been built. Construction work is going on about 166 office buildings. The office building of Delhi Pradesh will be the 167th.
Union Home Minister Distributes Appointment Letters to 44,703 Youths in Assam

The Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah distributed appointment letters to 44,703 youths who were recruited in various departments of the Assam government. The appointment letters distribution ceremony was held at the Khanapara Field in Guwahati on 25 May, 2023.

Speaking at the ceremony, Shri Shah congratulated all the candidates who have been recruited in government posts and also thanked the Assam Government on behalf of the Union Government.

The Union Home Minister said, “The Assam Government has kept its electoral promise of providing 1 lakh government jobs to the youths of the state in a free and fair manner. I would like to congratulate everyone and hope that with the blessings of Maa Kamakhya, you will make Assam a developed state in the coming days.”

“BJP fulfils all its election promises. Today, around 86,000 youths are getting jobs, the promise has been fulfilled within just two years. I thank the Assam Government on behalf of the central Government,” he said. Meanwhile, Assam Chief Minister Shri Himanta Biswa Sarma said this feat has been accomplished due to the encouragement of the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and Home Minister Shri Amit Shah.

Speaking at the occasion, CM Shri Sarma said, “When we were blessed by the people of Assam in 2021, we promised to provide 1 lakh government jobs to the youths in a free, fair and transparent manner. Over the last two years, we’ve been able to provide jobs to over 86,000 youths and chart the way ahead for a New Assam.”

“Our government won’t stop at giving 1 lakh jobs. We want to continue this atmosphere of providing government jobs in a transparent manner. We will further advertise for an additional 22,000 jobs,” the Chief Minister added. He also said that two lakh unemployed youths will be given Rs 2 lakhs each for being self-reliant.

He added, “Assam will be one among five top most states of the country. We will continuously work for the upliftment of the weaker sections of the society.”

CABINET APPROVES IMC AMENDMENT FOR FACILITATION OF “WORLD’S LARGEST GRAIN STORAGE PLAN IN COOPERATIVE SECTOR”

The Union Cabinet chaired by the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 31st May approved the constitution and empowerment of an Inter Ministerial Committee (IMC) for facilitation of the “World’s Largest Grain Storage Plan in Cooperative Sector” by convergence of various schemes of the Ministry of Agriculture and Farmers Welfare, Ministry of Consumer Affairs, Food and Public Distribution and Ministry of Food Processing Industries.

In order to ensure time bound and uniform implementation of the Plan in a professional manner, Ministry of Cooperation will implement a pilot project in at least 10 selected Districts of different States/UTs in the country. The Pilot would provide valuable insights into the various regional requirements of the project, the learnings from which will be suitably incorporated for the country-wide implementation of the Plan.
Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (AB PM-JAY) achieved a milestone of 5 crore hospital admissions amounting to Rs 61,501 crore under the scheme. The flagship scheme being implemented by the National Health Authority (NHA) provides health cover of Rs. 5 lakhs per family per year for secondary and tertiary care hospitalization to 12 Crore beneficiary families.

Elaborating on the achievement, CEO, NHA said on 31st May – “AB PM-JAY was launched with the vision to achieve Universal Health Coverage. Currently in its fifth year of implementation, the scheme is helping crores of beneficiaries from poor and vulnerable families by reducing the out-of-pocket expenditure for medical treatments. Consistent efforts have helped achieve several milestones for PM-JAY in the current year. From issuing 9.28 crore Ayushman Cards to scheme beneficiaries to achieving 100% allocated fund utilization and authorization of 1.65 crore hospital admissions, the year 2022-23 has been full of accomplishments for the scheme.”

AB PM-JAY is being implemented in 33 States and Union Territories (UTs) except for Delhi, Odisha, and West Bengal. Till date, 23.39 crore beneficiaries have been verified and issued Ayushman Cards for availing free treatment under the scheme. Under AB PM-JAY, the beneficiaries are issued co-branded PVC Ayushman Card.

The PM-JAY empanelled hospital network consists of 28,351 hospitals (including 12,824 private hospitals) across the country. During the year 2022-23, approximately 56% of the total admissions (by amount) have been authorised in private hospitals while 44% of the admissions have been authorised in the public hospitals.

The AB PM-JAY beneficiaries can avail treatment corresponding to a total of 1,949 procedures under 27 different specialties. The top tertiary care specialities under which treatments has been availed by beneficiaries till date are medical oncology (cancer treatment), emergency care, orthopaedic and urology (kidney-related ailments).

Further, under the scheme, a conscious effort has been made to ensure gender equity in access to quality healthcare. As a result of the conducive policies, approximately 49% of Ayushman Card recipients are women and over 48% of total authorized hospital admissions under AB PM-JAY scheme have been availed by women. Also, over 141 medical procedures under PM-JAY are exclusively earmarked for women.

Wheat procurement during the ongoing Rabi Marketing Season (RMS) 2023-24 has progressed smoothly. The progressive procurement of wheat in the current season till 30, May 2023 is 262 Lakh Metric Ton (LMT) which has already surpassed last year’s total procurement of 188 LMT by 74 LMT. About 21.27 Lakh farmers have already been benefitted from the ongoing wheat procurement operations with Minimum Support Price (MSP) outflow of about Rs. 47,000 crores. Major contribution in the procurement has come from three procuring states of Punjab, Madhya Pradesh and Haryana with procurement of 121.27 LMT, 70.98 LMT and 63.17 LMT respectively.

The major contributing factors in healthy procurement this year has been the grant of relaxation by the Government of India in quality specifications of wheat affected due to untimely rains; opening of procurement centres at village/panchayat level; carrying out procurement through Co-operative Societies/ Gram Panchayats/ Arhatias etc. in addition to designated procurement centres for better outreach and permission to engage FPOs for procurement operations.
The gross Good & Services Tax (GST) revenue collected in the month of May, 2023 is Rs. 1,57,090 crore of which CGST is Rs. 28,411 crore, SGST is Rs. 35,828 crore, IGST is Rs. 81,363 crore (including Rs. 41,772 crore collected on import of goods) and cess is Rs. 11,489 crore (including Rs. 1,057 crore collected on import of goods).

The government has settled Rs. 35,369 crore to CGST and Rs. 29,769 crore to SGST from IGST. The total revenue of Centre and the States in the month of May 2023 after regular settlement is Rs. 63,780 crore for CGST and Rs. 65,597 crore for the SGST.

The revenues for the month of May 2023 are 12% higher than the GST revenues in the same month last year. During the month, revenue from import of goods was 12% higher and the revenues from domestic transactions (including import of services) are 11% higher than the revenues from these sources during the same month last year.

**UNION GOVT DECIDED TO ALLOW 2000 PRIMARY AGRICULTURAL CREDIT SOCIETIES TO OPEN JAN AUSHADHI KENDRAS**

Under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the Government of India has decided to allow 2000 Primary Agricultural Credit Societies (PACS) to open Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras across the country. The decision was taken in a meeting of Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah with Minister of Chemicals and Fertilizers, Shri Mansukh S. Mandaviya in New Delhi on 6 June.

2000 PACS across the country will be identified to open Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras. 1000 Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendras will be opened by August and 1000 by December, this year. This important decision will not only increase the income of PACS and create employment opportunities but will also make medicines available at affordable prices to the people, especially those living in rural areas. Secretary, Ministry of Cooperation, Secretary, Department of Chemicals and Fertilizers and other senior officers of Ministry of Cooperation and Department of Chemicals and Fertilizers were also present in the meeting.

For opening Pradhan Mantri Bhartiya Jan Aushadhi Kendra at least 120 square feet space either privately owned or rental should be available. The application fee for Jan Aushadhi Kendra is Rs.5000. Women Entrepreneurs, Divyang, Scheduled Castes, Scheduled Tribes and Ex-Servicemen come under Special Category. Aspirational Districts, Himalayan Mountain Region, North-Eastern States and Islands are in Special Areas. There is an exemption in application fee for applicants from special categories and special areas.

CABINET APPROVES CITY INVESTMENTS TO INNOVATE, INTEGRATE AND SUSTAIN CITIES 2.0 FROM 2023 TO 2027

The Union Cabinet on 31st May chaired by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, has approved the City Investments to Innovate, Integrate and Sustain 2.0 (CITIIS 2.0). CITIIS 2.0 is a program conceived by the Ministry of Housing and Urban Affairs (MoHUA) in partnership with the French Development Agency (AFD), Kreditanstalt für Wiederaufbau (KfW), the European Union (EU), and National Institute of Urban Affairs (NIUA). The program will run for a period of four years, i.e., from 2023 till 2027.

The program envisages to support competitively selected projects promoting circular economy with focus on integrated waste management at the city level, climate-oriented reform actions at the State level, and institutional strengthening and knowledge dissemination at the National level.

The funding for CITIIS 2.0 would include a loan of Rs.1760 crore (EUR 200 million) from AFD and KfW (EUR 100 million each) and a technical assistance grant of Rs.106 cr. (EUR 12 million) from the EU.
Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah announced a series of measures, including a judicial probe panel, a peace committee, and an inter-agency unified command for better coordination in Manipur on 01 June, 2023. Shri Shah, who reviewed the security situation during his visit to Manipur and reached out to Meitei and Kuki groups in multiple meetings said a strict action would be taken for any violation of ceasefire pacts.

Addressing a press conference at the end of his four-day visit, Shri Shah said the judicial committee, led by a retired High Court Judge, would investigate the cause of the violence and identify those responsible for it.

A peace committee, led by Governor Smt. Anusuiya Uikey and comprising stakeholders like industrialists, sportspersons, elected representatives, and both Kuki and Meitei members will also be constituted, he said.

Besides Imphal, Shri Shah also visited Moreh, Churachandpur and Kangpokpi, visited relief camps housing Meiteis and Kukis, met representatives of 22 Meitei civil society organisations (CSOs) and 25 Kuki-Zomi CSOs, as well as retired officers, leaders from 11 political parties, national athletes and elected representatives. The peace committee will include representatives of the CSOs.

An Inter-Agency Unified Command will be set up for “better coordination” among all security agencies on the ground, and will be headed by Kuldiep Singh, security advisor to the state government.

The Union Home Minister also announced a CBI probe to investigate six cases, including five identified cases from all registered cases and one case of general conspiracy.

Speaking of militant groups, Shri Shah said: “I want to give a stern message to the SoO (Suspension of Operations agreement brokering ceasefire) groups. Any kind of violation of SoO agreements will be met with very severely and will be treated as breaking the agreement. From today, we will monitor this very strictly,” he said. A number of Kuki militant groups have signed the SoO.

He also appealed to people possessing weapons looted from government armouries to surrender their weapons, stating that police would begin mass combing operations. Asked about looting of arms by civilians, he said, “Quite a lot of arms have returned. When a mob approaches, there is hesitation to fire at them directly.”

Shri Shah announced a relief and rehabilitation package of Rs 10 lakh each for the families of those killed, with both the state and central governments contributing equal amounts. A compensation package for those who were injured, or suffered property damage will be notified.

He further said, “There is no shortage of essential goods, 30,000 metric tonnes more than the fixed quota of rice has been sent by the Union government, to be distributed over two months… Gas, petrol, and vegetables are on their way”.

To implement these measures, Shri Shah said, a joint secretary level official and five director level officials from different Union government departments will be sent to Manipur. “For a permanent solution, we have done border fencing along 10 km of the Myanmar-Manipur border on a trial basis, and done the tendering process for another 80 km. We have begun surveys along the remaining border. The work of collecting the biometrics of people coming from the neighbouring country has begun,” he added.
What are the traits of the person who can lead Mahila Morcha? Which leadership qualities make the person eligible to be the head of women’s group? Here is what PM Shri Narendra Modi thinks about it.

In the year 1997-98, Shri Narendra Modi was incharge of Jammu and Kashmir. One day there was a party meeting and Shri Modi was present in the meeting. During discussion Shri Modi asked the party workers about various morchas of the party including SC Morcha, ST Morcha and Yuva Morcha. When he asked about the Mahila Morcha, party workers replied that they don’t have a Mahila Morcha as women in the state don’t come forward for such roles.

Shri Modi replied, there is no place in the entire country where Mahila Morcha can’t be established. Here was the point where the party workers were about to get the lesson of their lifetime, that too from their own experience.

Shri Modi asked the workers, whenever you have wedding or any other social gathering in your village and women gather for the occasion in evening, there is a woman who leads other women of the village. She is the one who looks after the arrangements after reaching the venue. She also suggests the hosts to make some changes as per rituals, helps women is seating arrangements. And thereafter, all the women obey to her instructions and she automatically becomes their leader.

Shri Modi then asked the party workers; do you remember any such woman in your village or town? The party workers replied that yes there is a woman in every village who leads other women.

Shri Modi then told the workers that because she has leadership qualities, that’s why other women follow her instructions. Why can’t you contact such woman in your village, she can be your leader of the Mahila Morcha, asked Shri Modi. Shri Bali Bhagat, BJP leader from Jammu & Kashmir recalls this incident and says that it was an eye opener for all of us present in the meeting. We realized that it was within our reach but thought process of leader like Shri Modi made us visualize that we can have a leader for our Mahila Morcha.

PM flags off Assam’s first Vande Bharat Express

The Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi flagged off Assam’s first Vande Bharat Express via video conferencing on 29 May. The Vande Bharat Express will connect Guwahati with New Jalpaiguri Guwahati and the journey will take 5 hrs 30 mins. The Prime Minister also dedicated 182 Route kilometers of newly electrified sections and inaugurated a newly constructed DEMU/MEMU shed at Lumding in Assam.

Addressing the gathering, the Prime Minister said that today is a huge day for the connectivity of the Northeast as three development works are being accomplished together. Firstly, the Prime Minister elaborated, Northeast is getting its first Vande Bharat Express today where this is the third Vande Bharat Express which connects West Bengal. Secondly, approximately 425 kilometers of railway tracks in Assam and Meghalaya have been electrified. And, thirdly, a new DEMU/MEMU shed has been inaugurated in Lumding in Assam. The Prime Minister congratulated the citizens of the entire Northeast along with Assam, Meghalaya and West Bengal on this momentous occasion.

The Prime Minister said that the Guwahati -New Jalpaiguri Vande Bharat train will strengthen the centuries-old ties between Assam and West Bengal. This will increase ease of travel and provide huge benefits to students and will increase job opportunities arising out of tourism and business.

The Prime Minister said that the biggest beneficiaries of the infrastructure push have been the states of Eastern and Northeastern India.
Influence of Money Power must be contained

The growing influence of money power in elections has always been a matter of concern, but lately this problem has acquired dangerous dimensions. Money not only from indigenous sources but from foreign sources as well is reported to be playing havoc with our elections. In order to contain the corroding influence of money power at the polls the following measures should be

**Seriously considered:**

1. Election expenses should be regarded as a legitimate charge on the public exchequer. Political parties should be given grants on the basis of votes secured by them in the preceding elections. Candidates who are able to save their security deposit should be entitled to reimbursement by the State up to the maximum limit of expenditure permitted.

2. The expenditure incurred by a party on any candidate’s election should be added to the candidate’s own expenses.

3. There should be a ceiling on the expenditure which political parties can legitimately incur.

4. There should be a limit also to the external props of publicity used by a party such as newspaper advertisements, posters, leaflets, etc.

5. The accounts of political parties should be subject to statutory audit.

6. As recommended by the Tarkunde Committee, the Election Commission should be a multi-member body, and voting age must be reduced from 21 to 18 years.

The Janata Government had taken the historic step of allowing all recognised political parties the use of radio and television during the elections. There is need of further extension of the facility given. A scheme of political broadcasts also, apart from election broadcasts, should be drawn up.

**Compulsory Voting**

I feel that there is a case for compulsory voting in India. We have had seven General Elections till now, but the number of such electors who have never voted or who have been generally indifferent to elections is still legions. The 1980 Lok Sabha elections, like the 1977 elections, were contested on some very crucial issues. But out of 35.40 crore voters only 20.13 crore exercised their right of franchise. This means that more than 15 crore voters did not go to the polling booth. In several democracies voting is compulsory.

**Foreign Policy**

By making foreign policy a plaything in the game of politics, the present government has seriously undermined the national consensus that had developed on foreign policy during the last three decades.

In 1977, the Janata Party had fought the Lok Sabha elections almost entirely on domestic issues, and so, after winning the elections, emphasised the need for continuity in foreign policy. In 1980, however, the Congress (I) dragged foreign policy into the election arena and made it a major plank in these elections.

If India’s relations with its immediate neighbours have suddenly turned sour, the roots of this development have to be traced to speeches delivered during the election campaign in which it was said, “Even small neighbours of ours are behaving arrogantly with us.”

**Big Brother Attitude would not serve our Interests**

By pursuing a policy of good neighbourliness and mutually beneficial bilateralism, the Janata Government had for the first time in 30 years succeeded in creating
a climate of trust and confidence in this region.

But now by reverting to the earlier Big Brother attitude towards these neighbouring countries, the new government has in twelve months wiped off all the gains of the earlier period. The charge is baseless, even malicious, that the Janata Government, in order to win the goodwill of neighbouring countries, has sacrificed vital national interests. The Salal Agreement with Pakistan was entered into on exactly the same terms as our predecessor government wanted to secure, but could not. On the question of the division of Ganga waters, while in 1975 our treaty with Bangladesh gave India only 11000 to 16000 cusecs of water, the treaty finalised by the Janata Government ensured augmentation of water supply to 20500 cusecs.

**Failure to stand up to Soviet Intervention in Afghanistan**

By acquiescing in USSR’s military intervention in Afghanistan, which now has become virtual occupation of Afghanistan by Soviet Russia, the Government of India has tarnished the country’s image the world over, and has isolated India completely from the neighbouring countries, the non-aligned nations and the Islamic world.

Freedom-loving Afghans, who have always been our friends, are never going to forgive us for our failure to stand up unequivocally against the Soviet intervention.

The joint statement issued at the end of Soviet President Mr. Brezhnev’s recent visit to India says not a word about Afghanistan. India’s silence in this regard is even more eloquent than its earlier equivocation.

**No Justification for our Kampuchea Policy**

Government’s decision to recognise the Kampuchean regime propped up by the Vietnamese army is without any principled justification. This decision also has created serious misgivings about the independence of India’s foreign policy, particularly in the eyes of the South-East Asian countries.

It would not be out of place to mention here that even while continuing efforts to normalise relations with China, the Janata Government never hesitated to condemn Chinese aggression on Vietnam. Aggression is aggression, irrespective of whether the victim is Kampuchea or Vietnam. India cannot afford to have double standards in such matters.

**No Indo-Soviet Alignment**

Independent observers cannot be blamed if they infer that Indo-Soviet friendship is getting transformed into Indo-Soviet alignment. The entire Indian people, all political parties in the country, appreciate the value of Moscow’s friendship and would like to see it strengthened. During the Janata regime, despite misgivings in certain quarters, these ties of friendship did become deeper and maturer. But making Indo-Soviet ties meaningful and fruitful is one thing and allowing the impression to grow that in respect of world events, India has no strategic perception distinct from that of the USSR, is quite another.

Soviet Russia’s armed intervention in Afghanistan and the reaction to this of America and its allies has precipitated in this part of the world a situation which would have prompted both India and Pakistan to forget the past and try to open a new chapter in Indo-Pakistan relations. It is a matter of regret that the leadership in both these countries has allowed a historic opportunity to slip by.

Pakistan ought to understand that the threat to its security posed by the presence of Soviet troops just beyond the Khyber Pass cannot be met simply by trying to grab arms and armaments from wherever it can.

**A Strong and Stable Pakistan would serve Indian Interests**

India too must realise that it is in India’s own interest that there should be a strong and stable Pakistan between India and USSR as a buffer. Any temptation to take advantage of Pakistan’s present difficulties can in the long run prove very costly to India herself.

The Government of India should take an initiative to overcome the setback in our relations with Pakistan. When BJP Vice-president Shri Jethmalani visited Pakistan a few months back in connection with the problems of Afghan refugees, President General Zia told him in the presence of the Indian Ambassador to Pakistan that Pakistan is agreeable to having a no-war pact with India. We should have pursued this matter from this point onwards. We should also take steps to resume talks with Peking at high level.

To be continued...

( Presidential address of Shri Atal Bihari Vajpeyee at BJP National Council, Bombay, 28-December, 1980)
Prime Minister Narendra Modi often says, we have not come here to enjoy power, but to bring about fundamental changes in critical areas of governance. Nine years is enough time to prove that he walked the talk.

The new Parliament built in record time, abrogation of Article 370, pushing up the economy into the world’s top five despite Covid, amalgamation of 10 state-owned banks to four and getting them into prime health, the Goods and Services Tax, the Insolvency and Bankruptcy Code, digital public infrastructure yielding six billion payment transactions in a month, 74 airports built and operationalised, delivery of six notoriously delayed infrastructure projects (one delayed by over five decades), repeal of 1,400 archaic laws and 39,000 compliances, permanent commission for women in the armed forces, highest ever defence exports, becoming the third largest producer of renewable energy — these are but a few outcomes of the fundamental changes made in the way we are governed.

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The need for fundamental change in the way we are governed was not a cliché. The lethargy, the stasis in governance, were deep-rooted and, dare I say, a result of unstable governments or dynastic rule. It must be recognised that there have been attempts to break away from this even earlier. However, they didn’t make much progress. Prime Minister Modi’s political will and stability, vision, relentless pursuit of set goals and putting nation above self are yielding results. The role of the Opposition has, sadly, been less in Parliament. It has been more to disrupt and delay through filing petitions in the courts of law rather than debate and discuss in the House. Over 15 cases, including on the GST, Article 370, vaccination, triple talaq, Central Vista, were vigorously argued only for them to lose in each one of them. In each of these cases, if the time spent in the courts is reconciled, then we have perhaps delivered outcomes in less than nine years’ time.

It would not be an exaggeration to say that three of the nine years saw challenges beyond our control. The pandemic and its second wave, volatility in fuel and fertiliser prices, and the Ukraine war, have had spill-over effects globally. To provide immunity to our large population, there was a pressing need to have a vaccine in time. Thereafter, the emphasis was on manufacturing sufficient doses to meet the urgency. Then again, to get our people vaccinated. India conducted the biggest vaccination drive administering 220 crore vaccines — free of charge. If our prime minister strongly supported and encouraged speedy development and production of our vaccines, he had another sensitive job to perform. He used the trust that people have in him to appeal to all citizens to accept vaccination. He took the vaccine himself publicly, when he was eligible as per the policy. Why was this necessary? Because, some of our Opposition parties raised doubts, creating...
vaccine hesitancy among the people.

In his speech in the new Parliament, the prime minister drew a comparison: If parliamentarians needed a new House to discuss issues related to the common people, people needed a pucca house to live in. More than 3.5 crore pucca houses have been constructed in these nine years. 11.72 crore toilets have been constructed, with 100 per cent saturation achieved in rural areas. 12 crore households have been given access to clean drinking water.

It is with untiring work, rooting out corruption, delivery on promises and by remaining continuously responsive that Prime Minister Modi has earned the trust of the people. Trust is also earned by standing by those in distress. During Covid 2.97 crore Indians who were caught up in various parts of the world were safely brought back home. Similarly, over 20,000 Indians who were stuck in strife-torn countries were brought back.

The encouragement and support given to youth has shown in the results achieved in various global events. The number of higher educational institutions built and made operational is staggering, to say the least: 700 medical colleges, 15 AIIMS, over 69,000 medical seats, 7 IITs, 7 IIMs, 15 IIITs and 390 universities — all new.

Efficiencies have increased dramatically in many sectors such as fish production. It had taken 63 years to take the production level to 59.14 lakh tonnes. In just nine years, we have added another 59.89 lakh tonnes and globally we now rank third.

We rank second in fruit and vegetable production, next only to China. Our dairy sector which employs more than eight crore farmers today ranks first in world milk production — India contributes 22 per cent to the global milk production. We are the second largest honey producers in the world. Indian poultry sector ranks third globally in egg production.

Eliminating pilferages of benefits meant for eligible beneficiaries is a duty of a responsible government. Misuse of taxpayers' money had to be removed. 3.99 crore duplicate/fake ration cards and 4.11 crore fake LPG connections were cancelled. This has resulted in a saving of more than Rs 2.73 lakh crore (2021-22). However, in these nine years, total transfers through direct benefit transfer (DBT) are more than 29 lakh crore. For two years since the pandemic, over 80 crore people were given free foodgrain and pulses, so they do not remain hungry.

Approaching national security issues comprehensively and with a greater sense of purpose is a hallmark of this government. Gone are the days when we were told by the Raksha Mantri that there are no resources to better equip the forces. Our border roads and villages were left underdeveloped because, we were told, that if developed, they would be useful for the enemy. Now, PM Gati Shakti and the Bhaskaracharya National Institute for Space Applications and Geo Informatics (BISAG-N) are bringing resource efficiencies and real-time monitoring.

Transformative changes are happening in empowering women. For the first time, there are 1,020 women per 1,000 men. Maternal mortality rate has declined to 97 (2019-20). Under the MUDRA Yojana 68 per cent beneficiaries are women. Paid maternity leave has been increased from 12 to 26 weeks. Jan Aushadhi Kendras dispensed over 27 crore sanitary pads. Girls get admitted to Sainik schools now.

The past nine years were dedicated to lifting India from the hopeless morass it had been thrown into. The next 25 years leading to India@100 need similar dedicated, corruption-free governance. Policy stability and continuity are critical. PM Modi, as a sevak, has given India that stability.

(The writer is Union Minister of Finance, GOI)
Self-Reliant India is the dream of Prime Minister Narendra Modi. He knows it well that we can become self-reliant only when our agriculture, farmers and farming community will become self-sufficient. This is possible when we imbibe the principles of organic farming instead of chemical farming and make organic farming a mass movement. Cow products like cow dung and cow urine have been used in agriculture since time immemorial in Indian. Natural or Organic farming is a part of Indian culture, Indian civilization and our traditions since ancient times. There is a wealth of knowledge of natural farming available in the Vedas, the Puranas, the Upanishads. This farming is related to our roots. Our forefathers have been practicing natural farming since centuries ago. It is said in Rigveda- "Gavo Vishwasya Matarah", which means cow is the mother of the world and it is the nurturer of the world. It is said in the Vishnu Purana- “Serveshamev Bhutana Gaavah Sharanmattamam”, which means the best shelter for all beings is cow. However, India’s agricultural system has changed tremendously over the period of times. Indiscriminate use of chemical fertilizers, harmful pesticides and excessive use of ground water under pressure to increase production capacity due to ever increasing population of India has resulted in continuous decline in soil fertility, production, ground water level and human health. Owing to it even farmers are leaving farming due to rising fertilizers cost and dependence on the market.

PM Modi promoted organic Farming

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Adopt natural farming, make mother earth safe

India has been an agriculture-based country by nature and culture. That’s why our country will progress as our farmer’s progress. Natural farming is a means of prosperity as well as respect and service to our mother earth. Prime Minister Narendra Modi said, “When you do natural farming, you serve mother earth, protect soil quality and its productivity. When you do natural farming, you serve nature and environment, when you do natural farming, you also get the privilege of serving mother cow”.

Natural Farming Path to Prosperity

Natural farming method paves the way for prosperity for the farmers. Just as plants grow naturally in the forest, in the same way farmers in the fields can increase their production as well as increase the fertility of their land.
by adopting cow-based natural methods. Today, Government of India is giving subsidy of about two and a half lakh crore rupees annually on fertilizers, whereas this amount can be used for other development works in the country. If farmers adopt natural farming, then it will also avoid the damage caused by chemical farming. It is also possible to increase the income of the farmers through natural farming and up to 70 percent water can be saved in it.

Solving the Challenges of Climate Change

In the year 1977, the United Nations warned about Global Warming, despite this the problem of Global Warming is continuously increasing, but under the dynamic leadership of PM Narendra Modi, historical works are being done in the field of climate change in India and now India is a global leader in this field. Natural or organic farming is an effective solution to the challenges of climate change, the only requirement is that its benefits should be extended to every farmer. Farmers should not only adopt natural farming in every way but also make it a mass movement by spreading maximum publicity.

‘Jeevamrit’ increases the fertility of soil

Soil fertility depends on organic carbon. As per a survey, in the year 1960, the amount of organic carbon in the land of Pantnagar, Uttarakhand was 2.5%, which has come down to 0.6% today. When its quantity is less than 0.5%, the land becomes barren. The indiscriminate use of chemical fertilizers and pesticides makes the crops poisonous. For this reason, the number of patients with serious diseases like cancer is increasing. Cow-based organic farming is the most effective solution to increase the fertility of the land and save mankind from toxic elements. Fertilizers and pesticides for cow-based natural farming are made from cow dung and urine. In this, gram flour of lentils, a handful of soil and 200 liters of water have to be mixed. Farmers can prepare this ‘Jeevamrit’ by themselves. ‘Jeevamrit’ increases the fertility of the field in the same way as a small amount of curd turns milk into curd. ‘Jeevamrit’ for one acre of land can be prepared from one day’s cow urine and dung of desi cow. Natural farming can be done in 30 acres of land with one cow. Bacterial activity generated from ‘Jeevamrit’ increases water seepage deep into the soil and it also increases water harvesting capacity.

Natural farming is a solution

Natural farming can prove to be a game changer for the country’s economy. Through natural farming Environmental protection can also be done, the income of farmers can be doubled and common people will get healthy food. Natural farming is being practiced by 2 lakh farmers in Himachal Pradesh and about 3 lakh farmers in Gujarat. Many states from North Eastern India, Uttarakhand, Bihar are also adopting organic farming in a big way.

Earned 4.5 Lakh with an input cost of 80,000

In an interview a farmer brother from Gujarat, Daji Gohil says that he had heard about natural farming based on cow, but could not start natural farming due to lack of knowledge about the right methods. After this, in the year 2019, Subhash Palekar organized a 7-day training program in Dholra village of Rajkot, Gujarat in which Daji Gohil learned the tricks of natural farming by taking training. He said the initial cost of doing cow-based farming was up to Rs 80,000 and the income increased to Rs 4.5 lakh.

Points to be noted for natural farming:

1) Use indigenous seeds only in natural farming.
2) Hybrid seeds will not give good results.
3) Use indigenous cattle of Indian breed only in natural farming. Jersey or Holstein etc. is harmful.
4) The direction of the row of plants and crops should be north-south.
5) Cultivation of pulse crops should be done.
6) If manure (compost) made at some other place is brought and applied in the fields, then the micro-organisms found in the soil will become inactive.
7) The food of plants should be made near the root, then the roots will go far to take food and will become long and strong, as a result the plant will also become tall and strong.

(The writer is National President of BJP Kisan Morcha)
Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on June 03, 2023 visited the train accident site in Balasore, Odisha and reviewed the rescue and operation work. Union Railways Minister Shri Ashwini Vaishnaw and Union Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan accompanied PM Shri Narendra Modi.

The Prime Minister interacted with the Railways officials and was briefed about the incident by them. The Prime Minister also met the injured passengers in the hospital.

Distressed by the train accident in Odisha: PM Modi

In a twitter message Shri Narendra Modi said, “Distressed by the train accident in Odisha. In this hour of grief, my thoughts are with the bereaved families. May the injured recover soon. Spoke to Railway Minister @AshwiniVaishnaw and took stock of the situation. Rescue ops are underway at the site of the mishap and all possible assistance is being given to those affected.

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Deeply saddened by this heart-breaking incident: JP Nadda

In his message BJP National President Shri JP Nadda said, “The horrific train accident that took place in Balasore, Odisha is extremely sad and heart-wrenching. I am deeply saddened by this heart-breaking incident.

In view of this gruesome train accident, the Bharatiya Janata Party has postponed all its programs to be held across the country along with the programs to be held on the occasion of the completion of 9 years of the Central Government.

I pray to Almighty God to give strength to the bereaved families to bear this unbearable pain. May God give place to the departed souls at his feet. Om Shanti”.

Agni Prime, the new-generation ballistic missile, was successfully flight-tested from an island off the Odisha coast on 08 June, 2023 officials said.

The test was conducted from the Dr APJ Abdul Kalam Island by the Defence Research and Development Organisation (DRDO), and all objectives were successfully met, they said.

This was the first pre-induction night launch conducted after three successful developmental trials of the missile, validating the accuracy and reliability of the system.

Range instrumentation such as radar, telemetry and electro-optical tracking systems were deployed at different locations, including two down-range ships, to capture flight data covering its entire trajectory, they added.

Senior officials of DRDO and Strategic Forces Command witnessed the successful flight test, which paved the way for the induction of the system into the armed forces.
Ministry of Education has taken an excellent initiative of 'Yuvasangam': PM

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the people of India through his 101st episode of Mann Ki Baat’ on May 28, 2023. In the episode, PM Shri Modi said that during the 1965 war, our former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri had given the slogan ‘Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan. Later, Atal Ji had also added Jai Vigyan to it. PM said that a few years ago, while talking to the scientists of the country, he added ‘Jai Anusandhan’. Here, we are publishing highlights of the address for our esteemed readers:

- We talked about the Kashi-Tamil Sangamam, Saurashtra-Tamil Sangamam in ‘Mann Ki Baat’. Kashi-Telugu Sangamam was also held a while ago in Varanasi. Another such unique effort to give strength to the spirit of Ek Bharat, Shrestha Bharat has taken place in the country. This is the effort of the Yuva Sangam. I thought, why not ask about this in detail from the very people who have been a part of this unique effort.
- India’s strength lies in its diversity. There is a lot to see in our country. Keeping this in view, the Ministry of Education has taken an excellent initiative named ‘Yuvasangam’. The objective of this initiative is to increase People to People Connect as well as to give an opportunity to the youth of the country to mingle with each other. Higher educational institutions of various states have been linked to it.
- In ‘Yuvasangam’ youth visit cities and villages of other states, they get an opportunity to meet different types of people. In the first round of Yuvasangam, about 1200 youths have toured 22 states of the country.
- Friends, we keep talking about the challenges related to water every summer. This time also we will take up this topic, but this time we will discuss the start-ups related to water conservation. There is a Start-Up – Fluxgen. This Start-Up provides water management options through I.O.T enabled technologies. This technology will tell us about the patterns of water usage and will help in effective use of water. Another startup is LivNSense. This is a platform based on artificial intelligence and machine learning. With its help, effective monitoring of water distribution can be done. From this it will also be ascertained where and how much water is being wasted. Another Start-Up is ‘KumbhiKagaz’. This KumbhiKagaz is a topic, I am sure you will like very much. KumbhiKagaz Start-Up has embarked upon a special task. They are working on making paper from water hyacinth, that is, water hyacinth, which was once considered a problem for water sources, is now being used to make paper.
- During the 1965 war, our former Prime Minister Lal Bahadur Shastri had given the slogan of Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan. Later, Atal ji had also added Jai Vigyan to it. A few years ago, while talking to the scientists of the country, I talked about Jai Anusandhan. In ‘Mann Ki Baat’, today’s reference is about such a person, about such an organization, which is a reflection of all these four, Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan, Jai Vigyan and Jai Anusandhan. This is a gentleman, Shriman Shivaji Shamrao Dole from Maharashtra. Shivaji Dole hails from a small village in Nashik district. He comes from a poor tribal farmer family, and is also an ex-serviceman. While in the army, he dedicated his life to the country. After retirement, he decided to learn something new and did a Diploma in Agriculture, that is, he moved towards Jai Jawan, Jai Kisan.
India's internet economy is expected to register six-fold growth and touch USD 1 trillion by 2030, mainly driven by the e-commerce vertical, a joint report by Google, Temasek and Bain & Company released on 06 June, 2023 said. The report estimates that India's internet economy was in the range of USD 155-175 billion in 2022.

According to the report, the growth will be led by the B2C e-commerce segment, followed by B2B e-commerce, software-as-a-service providers and online media led by over-the-top players.

According to the report, B2C e-commerce is expected to grow 5-6 times to USD 350-380 billion by 2030, from around USD 60-65 billion in 2022. "India's internet economy is expected to grow 6 x to USD 1 trillion by 2030," Google India, Country Manager & Vice President said while sharing details of the report. He said most of the purchases in future will take place digitally.

He said while startups have led the path on digital innovation, small and medium businesses and large enterprises after the pandemic have started to use digital technologies to become more competitive.

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Temasek, Managing Director (Investments) said India is now a new hope for the growth of global GDP.
PM Shri Narendra Modi meeting with the King of Cambodia, Mr. Norodom Sihamoni in New Delhi on May 30, 2023

PM Shri Narendra Modi receives a warm welcome at the new parliament house in New Delhi on May 28, 2023

PM Shri Narendra Modi flags off Assam’s first Vande Bharat Express train between New Jalpaiguri and Guwahati on May 29, 2023

PM Shri Narendra Modi holds a meeting with Prime Minister of Nepal, Shri Pushpa Kamal Dahal at Hyderabad House in New Delhi on June 01, 2023.
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