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## Paving The Path For A New India



Vision for People-Centric Government



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**G**ood governance forms the bedrock of any democracy. In India's democratic journey, the third consecutive term for the government stands as a landmark moment, reflecting not just political continuity, but a resolute commitment to transformative governance and inclusive development.

The previous decade has witnessed the government's focus on uplifting the marginalised sections of society and fostering all-inclusive economic growth through innovative policies and strategic initiatives. Continuity in governance marks a reaffirmation of the people's trust in leadership and vision for a progressive New India, poised to become the third largest economy in the world.

As India aims ever higher on the global stage, the foundations of good governance will need to be strengthened further by increasing transparency, efficiency, security, and citizen-centric policies.

The Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has a significant role to play under the insightful leadership of the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah, who will be at the helm for the second consecutive time. His first term was marked by historic decisions such as the abrogation of Article 370 and the implementation of the Citizenship Amendment Act, which addressed long-standing issues, and paved the way towards a stronger unified

nation. The introduction of the New Criminal Laws, replacing colonial-era codes with the Bharatiya Nyaya Sanhita-2023, Bharatiya Nagarik Suraksha Sanhita-2023 and Bharatiya Sakshya Adhinyam-2023, changed the orientation of the criminal justice system from a punitive focus to one aligned with the delivery of justice.

As India navigates through a rapidly evolving global landscape, the Union Government's proactive foreign policy has enhanced its standing, attracting investments and strengthening diplomatic ties. Last year's G20 Summit, hosted by India, revitalised global confidence in multilateralism, reflecting India's growing influence and strategic leadership in international fora.

India is not only developing fast, but the pace of its development is also exponentially fuelled by the aspirations of a large and youthful population which holds promise for making the nation's dreams into reality. With innovative policies and growth strategies, the country is bound to rise to greater heights.

This issue of 'Vigilant India' celebrates governance milestones and India's journey ahead in its pursuit of progress and excellence. Please share your thoughts and feedback at [sajag-bharat@bprd.nic.in](mailto:sajag-bharat@bprd.nic.in)

**Jai Hind!**

**Rajeev Kumar Sharma**  
**Director General, BPR&D**

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सरकार का मतलब सामर्थ्य, समर्पण और संकल्पों की नई ऊर्जा है।



**श्री नरेन्द्र मोदी, प्रधानमंत्री**



हम विकसित व आत्मनिर्भर भारत के निर्माण की यात्रा के अगले चरण में प्रवेश कर रहे हैं। मोदी जी के नेतृत्व में एनडीए सरकार युवाओं और महिलाओं को सशक्त बनाने के साथ-साथ गरीबों और किसानों के उत्थान के लिए कटिबद्ध रहेगी और पूरब, पश्चिम, उत्तर, दक्षिण को एकता के सूत्र में बांधकर सशक्त भारत का निर्माण करेगी।



**श्री अमित शाह  
केंद्रीय गृह एवं सहकारिता मंत्री**



माननीय प्रधानमंत्री श्री नरेन्द्र मोदी जी के नेतृत्व में केंद्रीय कैबिनेट की पहली बैठक में हर गरीब का अपना पक्का मकान हो, इस उद्देश्य से 'प्रधानमंत्री आवास योजना' के अंतर्गत 3 करोड़ अतिरिक्त आवास निर्माण को मंजूरी दी गई है। इससे गरीबों को गरिमापूर्ण जीवन सुनिश्चित होगा।



**श्री नित्यानंद राय  
केंद्रीय गृह राज्य मंत्री**



राज्यों/केंद्र शासित प्रदेशों के राहत आयुक्तों/सचिवों (आपदा प्रबंधन) और राज्य आपदा प्रतिक्रिया बल (एसडीआरएफ), नागरिक सुरक्षा, होम गार्ड और अग्निशमन सेवाओं का दो दिवसीय वार्षिक सम्मेलन 12 जून, 2024 को संपन्न हुआ।



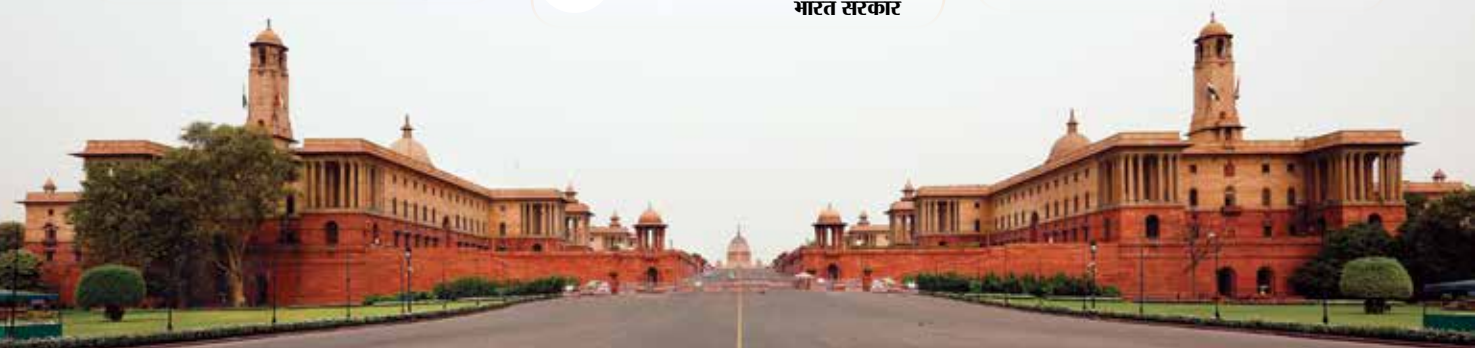
**गृह मंत्रालय  
भारत सरकार**



India is leading the global pack with a stellar GDP growth rate of 7.8%, outpacing G7 countries by a mile! Our economy is soaring high under the dynamic leadership of Hon'ble PM Shri Narendra Modi Ji. Proud to be part of a nation that's setting the pace for the world.



**Shri Bandi Sanjay Kumar  
Minister of State for Home Affairs**





# Paving the Path for a New India



I look forward to serve 140 crore Indians and working with the Council of Ministers to take India to new heights of progress.

**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Prime Minister



**Shri Narendra Modi sworn-in as Prime Minister for the third consecutive time**

## Bureau

**I**n a defining moment in India's history, Shri Narendra Modi took charge as the Prime Minister of India for the third consecutive term, marking a significant chapter in the country's governance. The swearing-in ceremony of the Prime Minister and the Council of Ministers took place at a

grand ceremony at the Rashtrapati Bhavan on June 9.

The event symbolised not just political continuity and stability, but a steadfast commitment to welfare and development, which have been central tenets of the Union Government over the past decade, ever since Shri Modi became the Prime Minister for the first time in 2014.

The oath-taking ceremony was graced by

We are moving with the resolve of developing India and reaching the number three position in the world economy. I know that we are going to achieve this with a definite roadmap and I have said earlier also that every moment is dedicated to the country, my every moment is dedicated to you. I am available 24/7. We have to take the country forward together.

**Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister**



President Smt Droupadi Murmu, Vice President Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar with Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi and other members of Council of Ministers after the swearing-in ceremony, at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi.

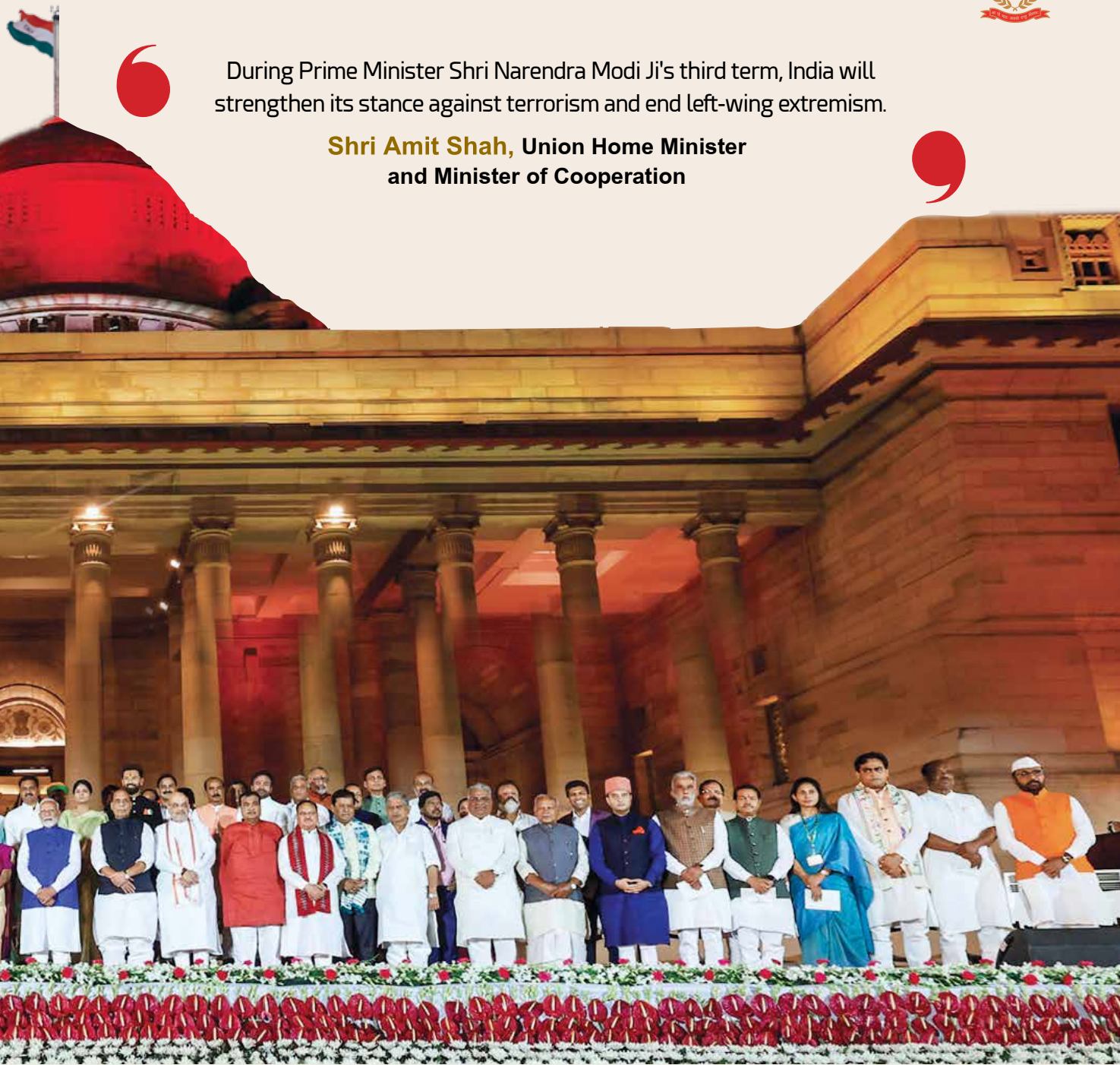
distinguished leaders from India's neighbourhood and the Indian Ocean region. The guests included President Shri Ranil Wickremesinghe of Sri Lanka, President Mohamed Muizzu of Maldives, Vice-President Ahmed Afif of Seychelles, Prime Minister Sheikh Hasina of Bangladesh, Prime Minister Shri Pravind Kumar Jugnauth of Mauritius, Prime Minister Shri Pushpa Kamal Dahal of Nepal and Prime Minister Shri Tshering Tobgay of Bhutan.

### Good Governance

Prime Minister Shri Modi's tenure has been characterised by a continuous focus on the welfare of the marginalised. Over the last 10 years, the Union Government has implemented numerous schemes aimed at improving the quality of life for India's marginalised people. This dedication will persist as the Union Government embarks on a new phase of development under the theme of 'New

During Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji's third term, India will strengthen its stance against terrorism and end left-wing extremism.

**Shri Amit Shah, Union Home Minister  
and Minister of Cooperation**



India, Developed India, Aspirational India', striving to transform the dream of a developed India into reality.

#### Poverty Alleviation

The Union Government has achieved a remarkable feat in poverty alleviation, lifting nearly 25 crore people out of multidimensional poverty over the past decade. According to the NITI Aayog's discussion paper titled 'Multidimensional Poverty in India since 2005-

06', released on January 15, 2024, this achievement is credited to the Government's comprehensive initiatives targeting various dimensions of poverty from 2013-14 to 2022-23.

The Multidimensional Poverty Index (MPI), a globally recognised methodology, captures poverty beyond monetary aspects. The Union Government's efforts have brought India closer to achieving its Sustainable Development Goal (SDG) of halving

multidimensional poverty well before 2030. Key initiatives such as Poshan Abhiyan and Anaemia Mukh Bharat have significantly improved healthcare access, while the Targeted Public Distribution System, covering 81.35 crore beneficiaries, has bolstered food security. The extension of the Pradhan Mantri Garib Kalyan Anna Yojana for another five years underscores the Union Government's commitment to improving the lives of the most vulnerable.

### Welfare Measures

Empowerment of the poor and support for the middle class will remain top priorities for the Union Government. In the past decade, the Union Government has launched several ambitious schemes to transform the lives of Indians. These initiatives, driven by Prime Minister Shri Modi's vision, have targeted essential services such as housing, water, electricity, cooking gas and financial inclusion.

The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana (PMJDY) was launched as the National Mission for Financial Inclusion on August 28, 2014. It has ensured comprehensive financial inclusion across the country. Over 51 crore PMJDY accounts have been opened, facilitating greater access to financial services.

The Swachh Bharat Mission, launched on October 2, 2014, has been a fundamental transformative campaign under the Prime Minister's leadership. It has brought a significant shift in public behaviour. Shri Modi's vision to make India 'Open Defecation Free' by 2019 turned into a true mass movement, achieving its targets ahead of schedule. The campaign led to the construction of nearly 12 crore toilets, significant improvements in solid waste management and overall better health and hygiene practices. The World Health Organisation (WHO) appreciated the Swachh Bharat Mission and had opined that it saved three lakh lives.

One of the standout initiatives is the PM Awas Yojana (PMAY). Launched during Shri Modi's first term in June 2015, it aims to provide pucca houses, enhancing the living conditions of the marginalised. As of June 2024, 4.21 crore houses have been sanctioned, and an additional 3 crore households are set to receive assistance, reaffirming the Government's commitment to ensuring dignified living standards for every citizen.

The PM Ujjwala Yojana (PMUY), launched in May 2016, has provided clean cooking fuel to over 10.27 crore households. Recently, the Government approved a targeted subsidy of ₹300 per 14.2 kg cylinder for up



Shri Amit Shah takes oath as Cabinet Minister at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi.



People gather in large numbers to attend the swearing-in ceremony of the Prime Minister.

to 12 refills per year, ensuring continued support for PMUY beneficiaries in FY 2024-25.

The Jal Jeevan Mission (JJM), launched in August 2019, focuses on providing safe and potable tap water to all rural households. Significant progress has been made in this regard with over 14.21 crore out of 19.27 crore rural households now having access to tap water.

In the realm of renewable energy, the PM-Surya Ghar: Muft Bijli Yojana, launched in February 2024, aims to provide free electricity up to 300 units per month to one crore households through rooftop solar installations. This initiative, with a total outlay of ₹75,021 crore, supports India's transition to sustainable energy sources.

Additionally, the PM Mudra Yojana, launched on April 8, 2015, has significantly empowered entrepreneurial aspirations across the country, sanctioning 43 crore loans worth ₹22.5 lakh crore. Notably, 30 crore of these loans have been granted to women entrepreneurs, highlighting the Government's focus on promoting gender equality and economic empowerment.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi reaffirmed the Union Government's commitment to improving the lives of millions of Indians with the decision to construct an additional three crore rural and urban houses under the Pradhan Mantri Awas Yojana (PMAY) on June 10. Emphasising the initiative as a significant stride towards enhancing 'Ease of Living' and ensuring dignity for every citizen, the Prime Minister

The Union Home Ministry will continue to work committedly for the security of the country. In Modi 3.0, the country's security policies will reach new heights and India will emerge as a strong force.

**Shri Amit Shah**, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation

underscored the Union Government's dedication to inclusive growth and social welfare. The expansion of PMAY reflects the Union Government's steadfast focus under the Prime Minister's leadership on uplifting the marginalised sections of society across the country.

The Prime Minister highlighted the active participation of women from the Panchayat to Parliament as a cornerstone of his administration, which has been exemplified by the Nari Shakti Vandan Adhiniyam-2023, which provides for women's reservation in the Parliament and State Legislative Assemblies.

### Economic Stability & Growth

Over the past decade under Prime Minister Shri Modi's astute leadership, India has rapidly risen in global benchmarks and aims to become the world's third-largest economy. Despite various global challenges, India's economy is demonstrating resilience, with real



Shri Narendra Modi greets people during the swearing-in ceremony at the Rashtrapati Bhavan in New Delhi.

GDP growing by 8.2% in FY 2024, surpassing the 8% mark in three out of the four quarters. This growth was driven by stable consumption demand and steadily improving investments.

The International Monetary Fund (IMF) also projects India to become the third-largest economy by 2027 and estimates India's contribution to global growth will increase by 200 basis points in the next five years. Other international agencies, including the World Bank, Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) and Asian Development Bank (ADB), forecast India's growth to range between 6.1% and 6.7 % in 2024-25. These projections highlight India's strong economic trajectory and the Union Government's commitment to transforming the nation's economic landscape.

### Infrastructure Boost

There has been a remarkable transformation in the country's infrastructure over the past decade, driven by innovative thinking and effective ground-level execution. The PM Gati Shakti-National Master Plan for Multi-modal Connectivity initiative (launched in October 2021), for instance, has accelerated project timelines, reducing processes that once took years to mere weeks. It was launched in October 2021. This trend of large-scale infrastructure development spanning various sectors is set to continue further.

The Indian Railways has been modernising with new stations, trains and technology. As many as 35 indigenously designed, semi-high speed Vande Bharat Express trains (70 services) had been launched till December 2023. A lot of priority has been given to boost rail infrastructure in the Northeast, along with doubling railway lines, gauge conversion, electrification and the construction of new routes. Soon, all the State capitals of the Northeast will be connected to the railway network. In the aviation sector, the number of airports has nearly doubled from 74 in 2014 to 149 now. The Union Government has also given 'in-principle' approval for the establishment of 21 greenfield airports across the country, with 12 already operational. The progress in national highways has been equally impressive, with the network expanding by 60% from 91,287 km in 2014 to 1,46,145 km in 2023. The average pace of national highway construction has increased significantly, rising by 143% to 28.3 km/day from 12.1 km/day in 2014.



Shri Narendra Modi at 'Sadaiv Atal', the Samadhi of Bharat Ratna & former Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee before the swearing-in ceremony.

Similarly, India is rapidly emerging as a new manufacturing hub, extending beyond electronic goods and services to sectors such as food processing. This shift is poised to empower Indian farmers significantly. Moreover, advancements in space, Artificial Intelligence (AI), startups and skill development are driving India towards becoming a global leader in various cutting-edge fields.

### Rising Global Influence

Since 2014, there has been a significant shift in the global perception of India. The country has rapidly transformed its image, becoming what Prime Minister Shri Modi describes as 'Vishwabandhu' (a friend of the world). The Government's foreign policy initiatives have highlighted the true potential and role of the world's largest democracy. Prime Minister Shri Modi made historic bilateral visits, being the first Indian Prime Minister to visit Israel in 2017. Under his leadership, India has been an active participant in G20 and BRICS and Quad summits, where the country's views on global economic and political issues have been widely recognised. His address to the United Nations General Assembly in September 2021 was widely appreciated. India's pivotal role of hosting the G20 Summit last year further exemplifies its rising global influence.

During the swearing-in ceremony, Prime Minister Shri Modi highlighted the importance of deeper people-to-people ties and enhanced connectivity as India works towards its vision of 'Viksit Bharat' (Developed India) by the year 2047, when the country celebrates the centenary of its Independence. He said India wants to amplify the voice of the 'Global South' on the international stage.

The Union Government under Prime Minister Shri Modi's third term promises transformative changes that will further enhance the country's growth and prosperity. With a clear roadmap and strong commitment, the Union Government is poised to lead India into a new era of development, ensuring that the benefits of progress reach each and every citizen. The foundation laid over the past decade will be built upon with renewed vigour, as the Government works tirelessly to achieve its vision for the next five years.

On the social media platform X, Shri Amit Shah expressed his honour at working under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Modi. He stated that + His statement underscores the Union Government's dedication to enhancing national security and internal peace and hints at forthcoming policies and strategies in these areas.■

# Vision for People-Centric

Bureau

**P** rime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, marking the commencement of his third consecutive term in office, reaffirmed his commitment to transforming the Prime Minister's Office (PMO) into an institution dedicated to serving the people of India. Addressing the officers and staff at the PMO on June 10, he emphasised the role of the PMO as a catalyst for new energy and inspiration in the governance of the country. "From the outset, our goal has been to make the PMO a symbol of service and make it the people's PMO", the Prime Minister said. He underscored the Union Government's ethos of strength, dedication and resolve, asserting his confidence in the PMO's readiness to serve the nation with utmost dedication.

Prime Minister Shri Modi emphasised that the Union Government is not run by a single individual, but by thousands of dedicated minds working together, with citizens witnessing the tangible outcomes of their collective abilities. Expressing gratitude to his team and inviting others to join the journey towards 'Viksit Bharat' (Developed India) by 2047 under the banner of 'Nation First', he articulated his vision for the next five years with a focus on nation-building.

Prime Minister Shri Modi outlined the principles of determination, hard work and stability as key to achieving success, stressing the importance of clarity of thought, conviction and the courage to act. "With these three elements, failure will be inconceivable", he said,

## Farmers First

Upon taking office for his third term, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi signed his first file to release the 17th instalment of the PM Kisan Nidhi scheme. This move will benefit 9.3 crore farmers and distribute approximately ₹20,000 crore among them. After taking the decision, Prime Minister Shri Modi stated, "Our Government is deeply committed to farmers' welfare and it is fitting that my first official act is related to supporting farmers. We are dedicated to doing even more for the agricultural sector in the future."

motivating his team to surpass global benchmarks and exceed the achievements of the past decade. Recognising the dedicated efforts of the PMO employees, the Prime Minister credited them for their pivotal role in the Union Government's accomplishments. "The recent elections validate the hard work of our employees", he said, urging the team to innovate and elevate the scale of their endeavours.

Prime Minister Shri Modi's address sets the tone for his third term, characterised by a resolute commitment to governance, development and achieving the aspirations of a vibrant and prosperous India on the global stage.■



PM Shri Narendra Modi chairs the first Cabinet meeting with Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh and Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah in New Delhi.

# Government



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi greets PMO staff at the South Block.

# Driving India's Development: Efficient Leadership & Visionary Thinking

**S**hri Narendra Modi has achieved a historic milestone by becoming Prime Minister for the third consecutive term. India has made significant strides over the past decade under his astute leadership by improving the quality of life for its citizens and advancing towards becoming the world's third-largest economy. This progress is a testament to his visionary leadership and India's commitment to innovative development.

During his previous two terms, Shri Modi had introduced several comprehensive reforms and policy initiatives. He launched the PM Ujjwala Yojana to enhance women's living standards, while the Ayushman Bharat scheme has been implemented to ensure universal health coverage. He also introduced the slogan 'Jai Vigyan' alongside 'Jai Jawan-Jai Kisan,' and has celebrated each and every Diwali with the nation's brave soldiers during the last 10 years, fostering a spirit of national pride and unity.

Schemes such as the Swachh Bharat Mission, Digital India, Make in India, Startup India, Skill India, Fit India Movement and Khelo India showcase the Prime Minister's visionary approach. On the economic front, the implementation of the Goods and Services Tax (GST) modernised the tax system, while the Jan Dhan Yojana aimed to extend the

benefits of Government schemes to the most marginalised people. It is also noteworthy to mention that total digital payment transactions increased from ₹2,071 crore in FY 2017-18 to ₹13,462 crore in FY 2022-23.



**Inspired by the motto 'Sabka Saath, Sabka Vikas, Sabka Vishwas,' Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has redefined governance and made it more inclusive, development-oriented and corruption-free.**

The Kisan Samman Nidhi Yojana is providing financial support to farmers and the Global Initiative of Academic Network (GIAN) offers international exposure to Indian students.

Despite numerous challenges, Shri Modi's decisive leadership resolved issues efficiently, whether addressing natural disasters or the COVID-19 pandemic. During the pandemic, vaccines were administered to millions and the Vande Bharat Mission facilitated the return of 3.20 crore people. India's vaccine aid under Vaccine Maitri reached over 90 countries, embodying the spirit of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam'.

Shri Modi's governance reforms led to inclusive and corruption-free development. In August 2019, the revocation of Article 370 and the bifurcation of Jammu and Kashmir into two Union Territories were seen as crucial for the region's integration and development. The Indian Army's surgical and air strikes after the Uri (2016) and Pulwama (2019) attacks reinforced national security and sovereignty. ■

# Citizens' Safety Paramount for Ministry of Home Affairs

**K**nown for his crucial decisions such as replacing the colonial-era criminal laws and abrogating Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir, Shri Amit Shah took charge of the Union Home Ministry and Ministry of Cooperation for his second consecutive term on June 11. He reaffirmed his commitment, stating that the Union Home Ministry will remain dedicated to the security of the nation and its people.

Under Shri Shah's leadership, the Home Ministry has implemented significant measures to enhance internal security. He played a pivotal role by effecting better coordination between different stakeholders, including the police and various intelligence agencies.

His first term as the Union Home Minister was known for decisive actions against terror activities, left-wing extremism, drug menace and cybersecurity. Under his leadership, the Ministry of Home Affairs has developed a robust strategy for a zero-tolerance policy against left-wing extremism. Similarly, peace and stability have been ensured in the Northeast and Jammu and Kashmir. The Union Home Ministry's Vibrant Villages programme has opened new avenues for development in border areas.

Acting under the policy of zero-tolerance against drugs, Shri Shah's first term saw a significant increase in drug seizures and arrests of drug traffickers across the country. Under his leadership, the Central Armed Police Forces have

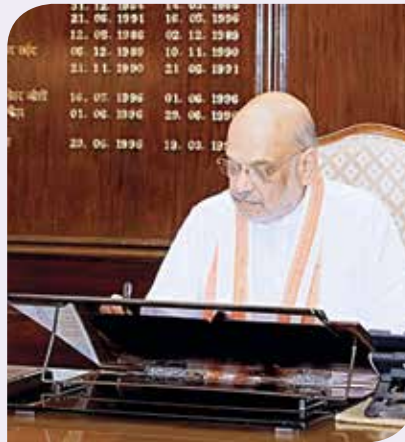
been significantly strengthened.

Aiming to give a dignified life to the people who had suffered religious persecution for decades, the Union Home Ministry under Shri Shah's leadership implemented the Citizenship Amendment Act (CAA) providing citizenship rights to persecuted refugees. The CAA gives a new ray of hope to persons belonging to Hindu, Sikh, Buddhist, Jain, Parsi and Christian communities who have migrated to India after facing religious persecution in Pakistan, Afghanistan and Bangladesh.

When Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi formed the Ministry of Cooperation on July 6, 2021, Shri Shah was given its charge. His experience in the cooperative sector is wide and extensive. He is working through this ministry with the goal of preparing the cooperative movement for the challenges of the present times, while eliminating instability, creating

a transparent system and restoring the confidence of the smallest farmer in the cooperative sector. He believes that a robust cooperative movement can become the growth engine of India and immensely contribute to the country's GDP.

Shri Shah's contributions are poised to remain crucial as India advances toward a secure and prosperous future. The Union Home Ministry has focused on robust preparedness and strategic planning to address emerging challenges and consistently reinforce the nation's internal security. ■



**Shri Amit Shah has been reappointed as Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, continuing his significant contributions to India's internal security and cooperative movements.**

# India's International Stature



Group photograph of leaders during the G7 Summit in Apulia, Italy.

**Shri Narendra Modi's visit to the G7 Outreach Summit in Italy, his first international trip after being sworn-in as Prime Minister for the third consecutive term, underscored India's growing global stature and commitment to international cooperation. Through strategic meetings with leaders from Italy, Japan, Ukraine, the UK and France, Prime Minister Shri Modi reinforced bilateral relations and addressed key global issues, highlighting India's role in shaping the future of global diplomacy.**

## Bureau

**I**n a momentous beginning to his third consecutive term, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's participation on special invitation at the G7 Outreach Summit held in Apulia, Italy, underscores India's rising prominence on the global stage. The Prime Minister's visit on June 13-14 was a testament to the deepening ties between India and Italy, as well as India's crucial role in international diplomacy.

### Strengthening International Relations

In his departure statement on June 13, Prime Minister Shri Modi expressed his enthusiasm for Italy being his first foreign destination in his third term. He

fondly recalled his visit to Italy for the G20 Summit at Rome in 2021 and highlighted the impact of Prime Minister Meloni's visits to India twice last year. These visits significantly enhanced the India-Italy strategic partnership, setting the stage for further cooperation in the Mediterranean region.

The discussions during the G7 Outreach Summit focused on critical issues such as Artificial Intelligence (AI), energy efficiency and output and a host of other issues. Prime Minister Shri Modi emphasised the importance of aligning the outcomes of the G20 Summit, held under India's presidency, with the G7 Summit to address the needs of the Global South. This synergy is pivotal in tackling global challenges and fostering inclusive growth in the future.

# Shines at G7



## AI for All: PM's Vision for Inclusive Progress

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the Outreach Session focusing on Artificial Intelligence (AI), clean energy, the Global South and the Mediterranean, marking the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the group. He underscored the importance of a human-centric approach to technology, sharing India's success in using digital technology for public service delivery. Highlighting India's AI Mission, which is premised on "AI for All", the Prime Minister emphasised that this technology should be aimed at fostering progress and the well-being of everyone.

Shri Modi pointed out that India is a founding member of the Global Partnership for AI, fostering international collaboration to achieve these goals. In addition, he elaborated on India's energy transition pathway, aiming for a net zero emissions target by 2070. He also invited the global community to join India's Mission LiFE and the 'Plant4Mother' campaign for a sustainable future. The Prime Minister called for giving priority to the concerns of the Global South, in particular Africa. He recalled that it was a matter of honour for India that the African Union was



I am glad that my first visit after becoming Prime Minister for the third consecutive term is to Italy. I warmly recall my visit to Italy for the G20 Summit in 2021. Prime Minister Giorgia Meloni's two visits to India last year were instrumental in infusing momentum and depth in our bilateral agenda.

**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Prime Minister

admitted as a permanent member of the G20 during its presidency.

## High-level Meetings & Strategic Partnerships

On June 14, Shri Modi held a bilateral meeting with Miss Meloni, where they reviewed the progress of the India-Italy Strategic Partnership. Both leaders expressed satisfaction with the growing trade and economic collaboration between the two nations, particularly in clean energy, manufacturing, space, science and technology, telecom, AI and critical minerals. The recent signing of a memorandum of understanding (MoU) on Industrial Property Rights was welcomed as a significant step towards fostering innovation and protecting intellectual property.

Defence and security cooperation was another key area of discussion. Both leaders expressed their commitment to enhancing defence industrial

collaboration.

Taking note of the coordination under the 'Global Biofuels Alliance', the two leaders welcomed the signing of the Letter of Intent for Cooperation in Energy Transition which will boost bilateral cooperation in clean and green energy.

India and Italy enjoy strong people-to-people connect propelled by long-standing Indological studies tradition in Italy, which will be further strengthened with the establishment of the first Indian Council for Cultural Relations (ICCR) chair on India studies at the University of Milan. The two leaders also called for an early implementation of the Migration and Mobility Agreement, which would facilitate mobility of professionals, skilled and semi-skilled workers, students and researchers.

### Expanding Global Cooperation

The bilateral meeting between PM Shri Modi and Japanese Prime Minister Mr Fumio Kishida was another highlight of the summit. They reaffirmed the importance of the India-Japan Special Strategic and Global Partnership, celebrating its 10th year. The discussions included the Mumbai-Ahmedabad high-speed train project and Japan's targeted investment of 5 trillion yen in India from 2022 to 2027, which are set to transform India's infrastructure and manufacturing sectors.

Prime Minister Shri Modi's meeting with Ukrainian President Mr Volodymyr Zelenskyy underscored India's commitment to peaceful resolution of conflicts. They discussed the situation in Ukraine, with Prime Minister Shri Modi reiterating India's support for dialogue and diplomacy.

In his meeting with UK Prime Minister, Mr Rishi Sunak, Prime Minister Modi discussed the progress of the Roadmap-2030, focusing on enhancing bilateral relations in defence, security, trade and high technology sectors. They also reviewed the status of the Free Trade Agreement (FTA) negotiations and expressed optimism for further strengthening the Comprehensive Strategic Partnership.

Prime Minister Shri Modi's interaction with French President Mr Emmanuel Macron centred on the 'Horizon 2047' roadmap. They agreed to intensify strategic defence cooperation, expand collaboration in AI, emerging technologies, energy and work closely on international platforms such as the forthcoming AI Summit and the United Nations Ocean Conference.



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi meets Italy PM Miss Giorgia Meloni.



PM Shri Narendra Modi meets his Japanese counterpart Mr Fumio Kishida.

Prime Minister Shri Modi's participation in the G7 Outreach Summit in Italy symbolises India's growing global influence and the country's pivotal role in shaping international policies. His bilateral meetings with leaders from Italy, Japan, Ukraine, the UK, and France highlighted India's commitment to fostering strong strategic partnerships and addressing global challenges collaboratively.

As India continues to rise on the world stage, Prime Minister Shri Modi's leadership and vision for a more interconnected and cooperative global community remain crucial for a prosperous future. ■

# Yoga: A Unifying Force

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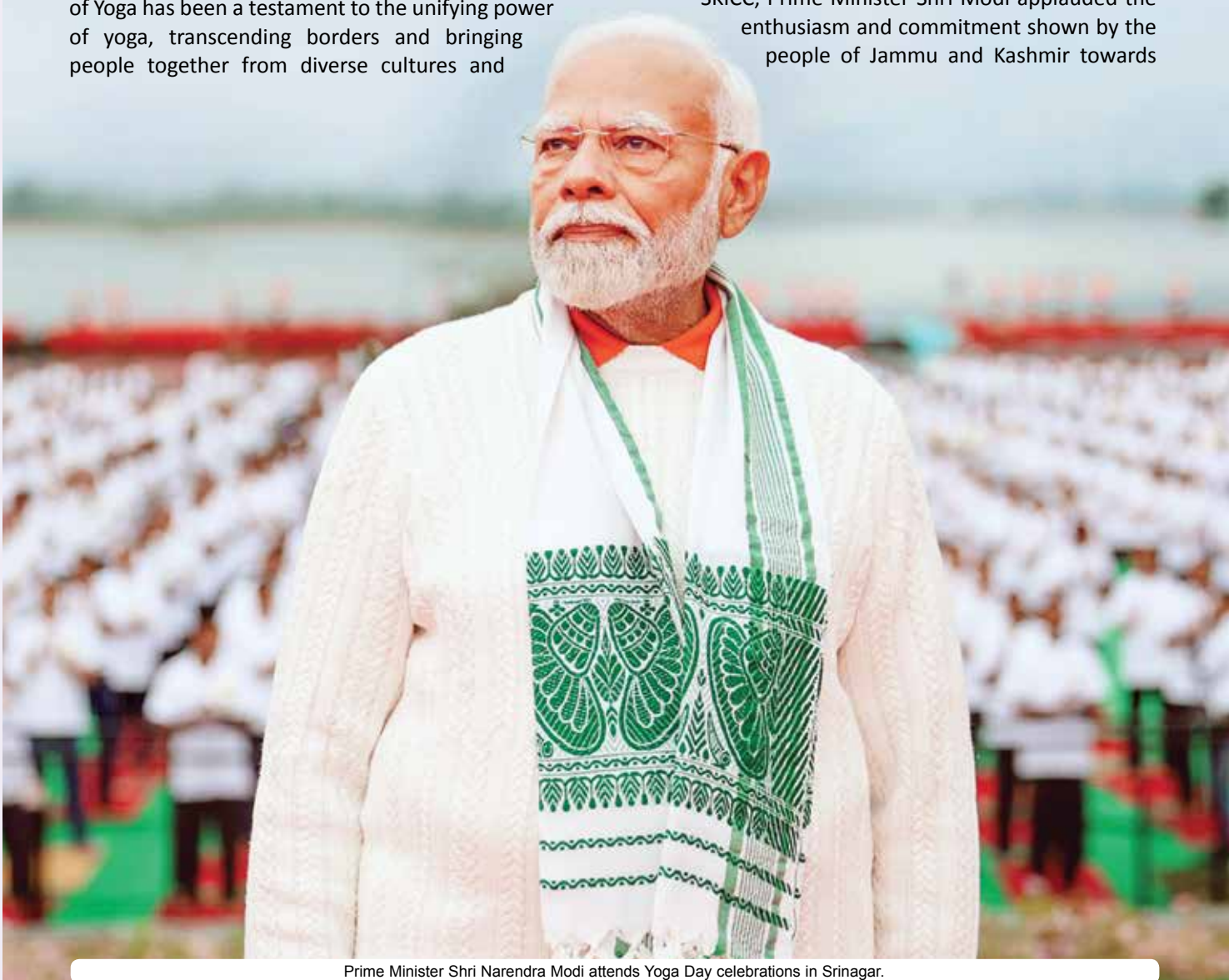
**A**s the world celebrated the 10<sup>th</sup> International Day of Yoga on June 21, the picturesque surroundings of Sher-i-Kashmir International Conference Centre (SKICC) on the banks of the Dal Lake in Srinagar witnessed the event led by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. This year's theme, 'Yoga for Self and Society,' emphasised yoga's vital role in fostering both individual well-being and societal harmony.

Since its inception in 2015, the International Day of Yoga has been a testament to the unifying power of yoga, transcending borders and bringing people together from diverse cultures and

backgrounds across the world. Prime Minister Shri Modi has been at the forefront of these celebrations, leading yoga sessions at iconic locations such as the United Nations (UN) headquarters in New York, the Kartavya Path in New Delhi, and now, the picturesque Dal Lake in Srinagar.

### Promoting Health & Wellness

This year's International Day of Yoga celebrations brought forward yoga's profound impact on young minds and bodies. Addressing the gathering at the SKICC, Prime Minister Shri Modi applauded the enthusiasm and commitment shown by the people of Jammu and Kashmir towards



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi attends Yoga Day celebrations in Srinagar.



Yoga is as important, applicable and powerful for the self as it is for the society. The entire humanity benefits when society benefits from yoga.

**Shri Narendra Modi, Prime Minister**

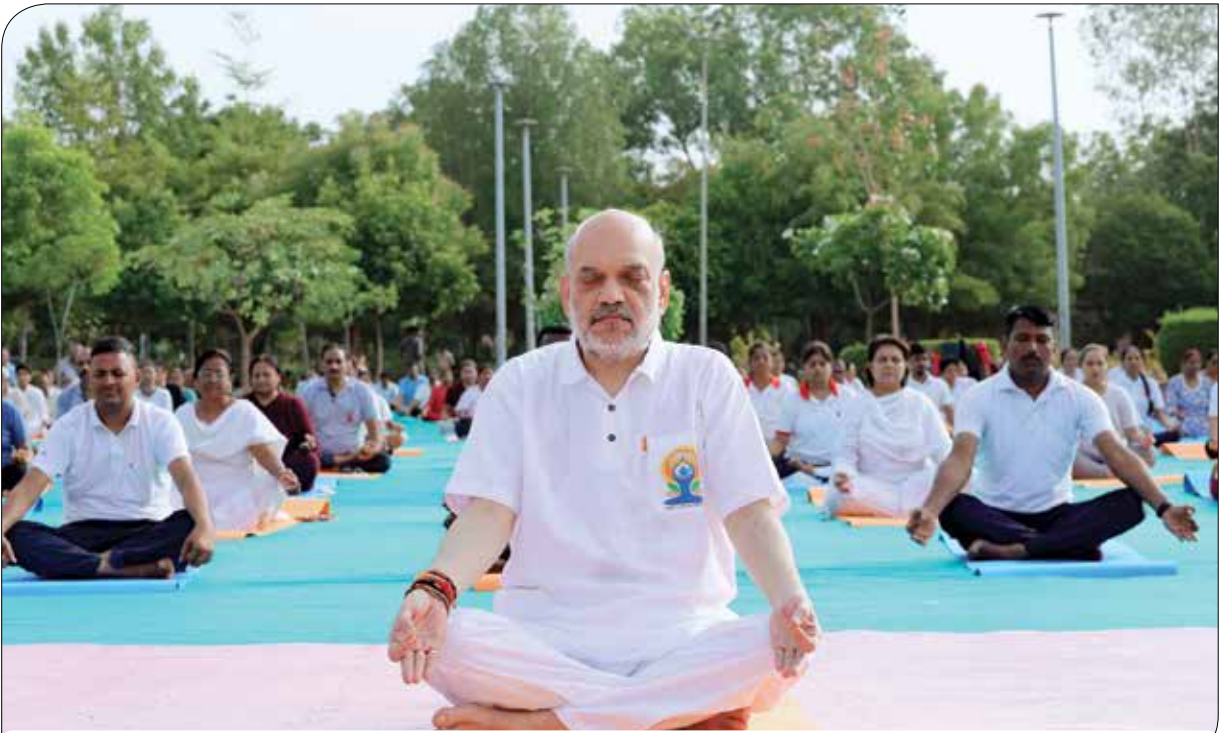
yoga, despite challenging weather conditions. Yoga, as the Prime Minister highlighted, becomes most effective when integrated into daily life. He encouraged the participants to make yoga an intrinsic part of their lives. "Meditation, a core aspect of yoga, is not just as a spiritual practice but a tool for concentration and focus. This state of mind, cultivated through yoga, yields great results that minimise fatigue and helps avoid distractions. Apart from the spiritual upliftment, which will eventually come, meditation is a tool for self-improvement and training," Shri Modi said.

### Bringing People Together

Prime Minister Shri Modi shared his reflections on social media, noting how yoga has become a unifying force worldwide. He said, "The 10<sup>th</sup> International Yoga Day has been held on a great scale across the world, thanks to the collective efforts of individuals, communities and organisations who came together and practiced yoga." The Prime Minister also highlighted the potential of yoga and tourism to become major sources of employment, particularly in regions such as Jammu and Kashmir.



## YOGA IS INDIA'S GREATEST GIFT TO THE WORLD: SHRI SHAH



The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, participates in the International Day of Yoga celebrations in Ahmedabad.

The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, also extended his greetings to yoga enthusiasts across the country on the International Day of Yoga. Addressing yoga practitioners in Ahmedabad, He recounted the fact that it was Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi who proposed at the United Nations General Assembly in 2014 to celebrate June 21 as International Day of Yoga. This proposal was instrumental in introducing India's ancient science and unique gift of yoga to the world and within days, over 170 countries had agreed to promote June 21 as the International Day of Yoga.

Shri Shah emphasised that India has made numerous contributions to the world and humanity, with yoga being the greatest gift. He stated that there is no greater science than yoga to harmonise the mind, body and soul. "Yoga is the medium to unlock the immense powers within our minds and connect them with the soul to pursue global welfare", he said. He also highlighted yoga's benefits in addressing many modern diseases. "Thanks to Prime Minister Shri

Modi's efforts, yoga has gained a significant platform for humanity. Today, the practice of yoga is embraced and taught worldwide. Millions of people globally have accepted yoga wholeheartedly, working together to promote it", the Union Home Minister added.

The Union Home Minister said that knowledge given by our sages can take us forward. There can be no greater means than yoga for our physical strength, peace of mind and expansion of imagination, concentration of the power of conscience and awakening of the collective energy of the entire country. He said that by giving the gift of International Day of Yoga, Prime Minister Shri Modi has hoisted the flag of Indian culture and knowledge all over the world. He further remarked that through yoga, we can realise the ethos of selfless action. He noted that yoga fulfils the mantra of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam' (the World is one Family).

Shri Shah concluded by saying that the continuous practice of yoga would greatly help to implement welfare of the entire world.



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi interacts with participants on the occasion of International Day of Yoga in Srinagar.

The Prime Minister expressed gratitude to those working tirelessly to popularise yoga, noting the increase in the number of yoga instructors inspiring others to take up the practice.

Touching upon the changing notions about yoga due to its expanding reach in the last 10 years, the Prime Minister talked about a new 'yoga economy'. He mentioned the growing attraction for yoga tourism and people's desire to visit India to learn yoga. He also mentioned yoga retreats, resorts, dedicated facilities for yoga at airports and hotels, yoga apparels and equipment, personal yoga trainers. All these are creating new avenues of employment for the youth, he added.

This year's International Day of Yoga celebrations also focused on encouraging grassroots participation and spreading yoga in rural areas.

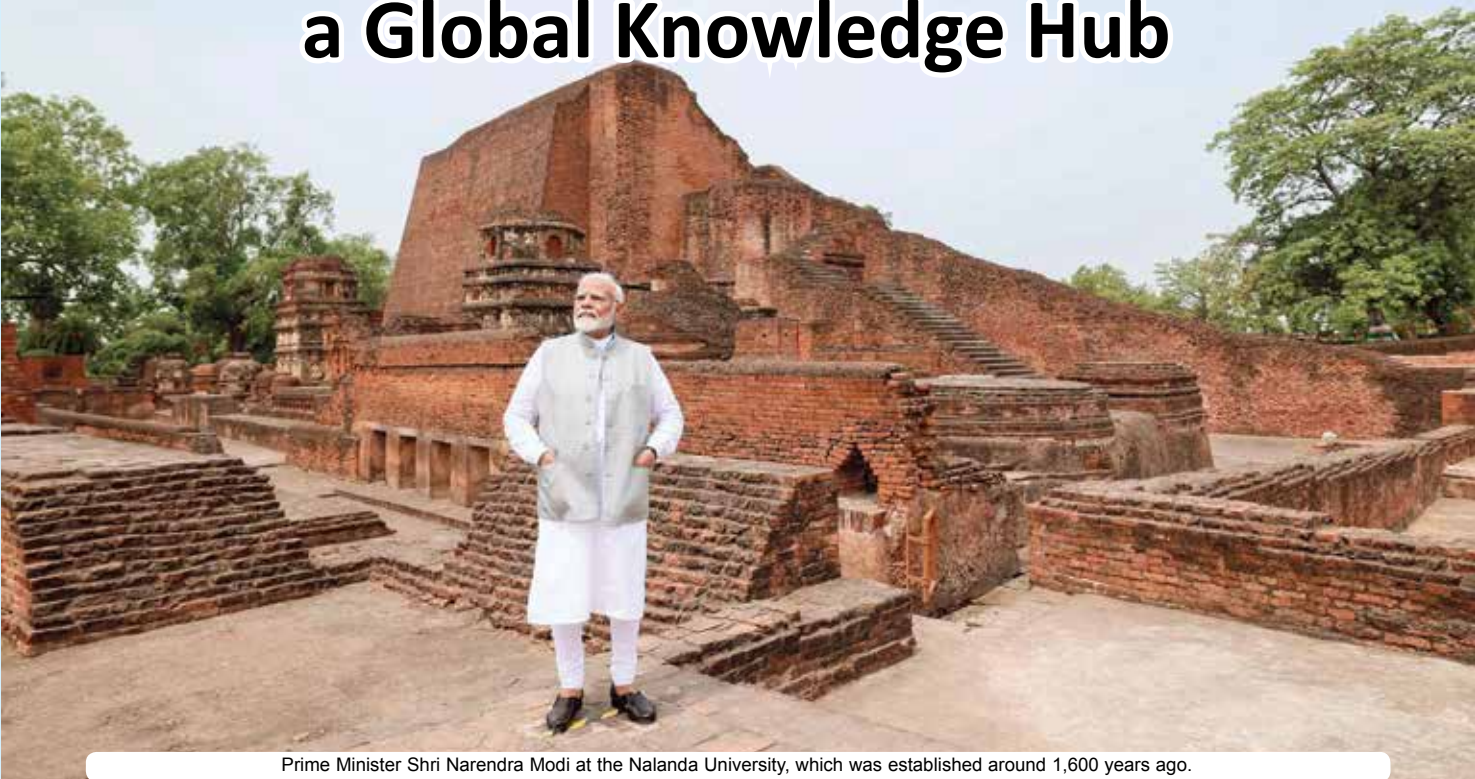
The celebration of the 10th International Day of Yoga was a global event, with people from all walks of life participating in yoga sessions with zeal and dedication. The Prime Minister shared glimpses of the event from Dal Lake, showcasing the perfect harmony between the participants and nature. Despite the

rain, the spirit of the countless people gathered there remained undeterred.

### Universal Appeal

The Prime Minister underlined that the number of people practicing yoga is growing worldwide while its attraction is constantly on the rise. He asserted that yoga has become a part of daily life in every corner of the world. Throwing light on the growing acceptance of yoga around the world, the Prime Minister Shri Modi recalled inaugurating a yoga centre during his visit to Turkmenistan in 2015 and that yoga has become extremely popular in the country today. He further informed that medical universities in Turkmenistan have included yoga therapy, Saudi Arabia has made it a part of their education system and Mongolian Yoga Foundation is running many yoga schools. Informing about the acceptance of yoga in Europe, the Prime Minister said that so far, 1.5 crore German citizens have become yoga practitioners. He further added that yoga has become a topic of research today and multiple research papers have already been published. ■

# Nalanda: India's Quest for a Global Knowledge Hub



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi at the Nalanda University, which was established around 1,600 years ago.

## Bureau

**T**he Union Government under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has set a clear and ambitious mission to make India the centre of education and knowledge for the world. He is also well cognisant of the great historical legacy of India in this regard. In a significant step towards reviving this ancient glory in the present day, the Prime Minister inaugurated the new campus of Nalanda University at Rajgir in Bihar on June 19.

The revamped university, a collaboration between India and East Asia Summit (EAS) countries, marks a monumental stride in reviving India's ancient educational legacy. The inauguration ceremony saw the attendance of several dignitaries, including Heads of Missions from 17 countries, highlighting the global significance of this endeavour.

Reflecting on the occasion, Prime Minister Shri Modi expressed his gratitude and optimism, noting that visiting Nalanda within 10 days of taking the oath of office for his third consecutive term symbolises the positive trajectory of India's developmental journey.

The Prime Minister said, "Nalanda is not just a

Our endeavour is to have the most comprehensive and complete skilling system in the world. India will have the most advanced research-oriented higher education system in the world.

**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Prime Minister

name, it is an identity. Nalanda is the root, it is the mantra. Nalanda is the proclamation of the truth that knowledge cannot be destroyed even though books would burn in a fire." His words underscored the symbolic as well as actual importance of Nalanda in heralding a new golden age for Indian education.

### Reviving Historic Legacy

The original Nalanda University, established around 1,600 years ago, was the world's first residential universities. The ruins of this ancient institution were declared a UNESCO World Heritage Site in 2016. The revival of the university near its historical ruins aims



The refurbished Nalanda University campus in Rajgir, Bihar.

to showcase India's capabilities and remind the world that nations with strong human values can create a better future by rejuvenating their rich histories.

Prime Minister Shri Modi said that the heritage of Nalanda extends beyond Indian boundaries, carrying the legacy of the world, especially Asia. Highlighting the inclusive nature of education at ancient Nalanda, where students were admitted irrespective of their identities and nationalities, Shri Modi stressed the need to uphold these traditions.

### Transforming India's Education System

Prime Minister Shri Modi stated that educational development strengthens the economy and culture, citing the experiences of developed countries. "India is working on its goal of becoming a developed nation by 2047 when we celebrate the centenary year of Independence. We are also transforming our education system," he said.

The Prime Minister further added, "My mission is to make India the centre of education and knowledge for the world. India should again be recognised as the most prominent knowledge centre of the world."

Highlighting the Union Government's efforts, Prime Minister Shri Modi noted initiatives such as Atal Tinkering Labs that foster curiosity, creativity, and imagination in young minds; and inculcate skills such as design mindset, computational thinking, adaptive learning, the impact of space missions Chandrayaan

and Gaganyaan and the proliferation of startups under the Startup India initiative. He mentioned the record number of patents filed, research papers published and the establishment of a ₹1 lakh crore research fund.

India's improved performance in global university rankings is a testament to these efforts. With the recent opening of global campuses of premier Indian institutions, Prime Minister Shri Modi expressed similar hopes for Nalanda University. He noted that the world's eyes are on India's youth, who are expected to lead the way in realising the vision of 'One Earth, One Family and One Future.'

The Nalanda University campus features state-of-the-art facilities, including two academic blocks with 40 classrooms, two auditoriums, student hostels, an international centre, an amphitheatre, a faculty club and a sports complex. As a net-zero green campus, it is self-sustainable with solar power, water treatment and recycling plants and extensive water bodies.

The inauguration ceremony was graced by Bihar Governor, Shri Rajendra Arlekar; Chief Minister, Shri Nitish Kumar; Union Minister for External Affairs, Dr S Jaishankar; Union Minister of State for External Affairs, Shri Pabitra Margherita; Bihar's Deputy Chief Ministers, Shri Vijay Kumar Sinha and Shri Samrat Choudhary; Nalanda University Chancellor, Prof Arvind Panagariya, and Vice Chancellor, Prof Abhay Kumar Singh, among other dignitaries. ■

# Disaster Management: A Zero-Casualty Approach



The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, with NDRF teammembers of the mountaineering expedition 'Vijay' in New Delhi.

## Bureau

**U**nder the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, India has embraced a zero-casualty approach to disaster management, moving away from a relief-centric model. This paradigm shift focuses on proactive measures and preparedness to mitigate the impact of disasters and save lives.

On June 29, the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, welcomed the second mountaineering expedition of the National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) named 'Operation Vijay' in New Delhi upon its return from a successful climb of the 21,625-ft high Mount Manirang in Himachal Pradesh.

The Union Home Minister highlighted that the success of the mountaineering expedition belongs not just to the individual participants but to the entire NDRF. He congratulated the 35 personnel who succeeded in Operation Vijay, symbolising the force's dedication and strength.

Shri Shah pointed out that disaster management in India has significantly evolved under Prime Minister

Whenever there is a disaster, everyone looks up to the NDRF. Seeing NDRF personnel in their rescue acts increases the morale of people trapped in disasters.

**Shri Amit Shah, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation**

Shri Modi's leadership. Previously, the approach was predominantly relief-centric. However, the current focus is on a zero-casualty approach, aiming to prevent disasters and minimise their impact. Over the past decade, best practices from around the world have been adopted to enhance India's disaster management capabilities.

The Union Home Minister elaborated on the transformation in disaster management, highlighting the integration of the NDRF and National Disaster Management Authority (NDMA) through



The Home Secretary, Shri Ajay Kumar Bhalla, flags-off the mountaineering expedition of the NDRF in Delhi.

**The National Disaster Response Force (NDRF) has excelled in managing disasters in India and consistently meets high expectations. Globally, whenever a disaster strikes, all eyes turn to the NDRF for its expertise. It plays a vital role in responding to various natural and man-made disasters.**

comprehensive training, morale boosting and ensuring the availability of personnel across the country. Today, the NDRF is recognised globally for its prompt and efficient response to disasters. Whether dealing with natural disasters in Türkiye, Syria, Nepal or the recent Cyclone Biporjoy, the NDRF has consistently demonstrated its expertise and effectiveness.

Shri Shah highlighted the Union Government's unwavering commitment to disaster management, noting that budget allocations for the State Disaster Response Fund (SDRF) and NDRF increased from ₹66,000 crore (2004-2014) to ₹2 lakh crore (2014-2024). This increase reflects the Government's dedication to enhancing disaster management capabilities with scientific support and modern resources.

Shri Shah said that the Union Government has worked tirelessly in the last 10 years to create a successful synergy between the NDRF and the NDMA through training and ensuring the availability of personnel across the country, along with advanced

information for disaster assessment. He affirmed that Prime Minister Shri Modi's concern and awareness about disaster management have led to significant success in recent years.

Shri Shah said that the Union Government is offering comprehensive scientific support in the field of disaster management through mobile applications such as Dial 112, Mausam, Damini, Meghdoot and early warning systems. The efficiency and professional attitude of the NDRF has also been recognised internationally. By using drones, robotics, and GIS technologies, it assesses the situation at disaster sites and carries out rescue operations with greater accuracy.

The Union Home Minister said that there was a demand for Risk and Hardship Allowance for NDRF personnel for a long time and the Union Government under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Modi has accepted this demand. He said that now 16,000 personnel of the NDRF will get Risk and Hardship Allowance. ■

# Addressing Security Concerns in J&K



The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, chairs a high-level meeting in Delhi to review the security scenario in J&K.

**The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, commended the Jammu and Kashmir administration and security agencies for the successful execution of the Lok Sabha elections in the Union Territory, which saw a record voter turnout.**

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**T**he Union Government has set an example by taking stringent measures against terrorists in Jammu and Kashmir. It has zero-tolerance against terrorism and the security forces are using advanced technologies to neutralise terrorists. Ever since the abrogation of Article 370, the transformation in Jammu and Kashmir has been commendable. The peaceful voting and high turnout in the recently held

Lok Sabha elections serves as a prime example of this massive transformation.

On June 16, a high-level meeting was held in the Union Home Ministry to address security issues in Jammu and Kashmir. Chaired by the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, the meeting stressed on the importance of seamless coordination among security agencies, identifying sensitive areas and addressing their security concerns.

The Union Home Minister emphasised on



Soldiers monitor security arrangements on the Amarnath Yatra route.



The annual Amarnath Yatra in Jammu and Kashmir attracts thousands of pilgrims.

strengthening the local intelligence network and adopting modern technology to detect drones and tunnels dug by terrorists from across the border. He assured the security agencies of the Union Government's full support. Reaffirming the zero-tolerance policy against terrorism under the leadership of Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, Shri Shah stated that the Union Government will leave no stone unturned to eradicate terrorism from Jammu and Kashmir.

Shri Shah stated that the fight against terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir is in a decisive phase. He noted that the efforts of the Union Government have led to a significant reduction in terrorist incidents in the Kashmir Valley, yielding large-scale positive results.

The meeting was attended by senior officials including National Security Advisor, Shri Ajit Doval; Lieutenant Governor, Shri Manoj Sinha; Chief of Army Staff, General Shri Manoj Pande; Union Home Secretary, Shri Ajay Kumar Bhalla and many other senior officials. ■

## Security Forces Fully Prepared for Amarnath Yatra

The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, has directed security agencies to maintain a state of high alert and ensure the adequate deployment of security forces for the safety of pilgrims taking part in the Shri Amarnath Ji Yatra in Jammu and Kashmir, hereby ensuring that pilgrims can undertake their journey without fear or inconvenience. This directive was given during a high-level meeting in New Delhi on June 16. Shri Shah highlighted the need for excellent coordination among agencies and the establishment of a robust standard operating response mechanism to enhance security arrangements. He reiterated the Union Government's commitment, under the leadership of Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi, to ensure a comfortable and environmentally-friendly experience for the pilgrims. Last year, over 4.5 lakh pilgrims had the Holy Darshan, and this year's Yatra, which commenced on June 29, has seen extensive arrangements for registration, convoy movements, camping facilities, medical services and a host of other facilities.



# Home Minister Inaugurates 30 Smart Schools in Gujarat



The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, at a Smart school in Ahmedabad.

## Bureau

**T**he Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, virtually inaugurated 30 Smart schools across Ahmedabad, Gujarat, on June 21. Constructed at a cost of ₹36 crore, they are located at various locations, namely nine are in Ghatlodia, ten in Vejalpur, seven in Sabarmati and the remaining four in Naranpura.

Shri Shah stated that the inauguration of these 30 Smart schools will directly benefit over 10,000 children, enriching their lives with quality education. He also mentioned that out of the 69 schools in Gandhinagar Lok Sabha constituency, 59 have already been converted into Smart schools.

Smart schools are educational institutions uniquely distinguished by their advanced technological infrastructure. The curriculum of these Smart schools includes skill development, vocational training and digital empowerment.

The Union Home Minister said this was his first visit to Gujarat after the 2024 Lok Sabha elections. He highlighted that the inauguration of the Smart schools

With the inauguration of 30 Smart schools, more than 10,000 children in Ahmedabad will get direct benefits of the New Education Policy. Now, the light of education will spread in their lives.

**Shri Amit Shah**, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation

will benefit children from lower and marginalised sections of society. He also expressed his gratitude to the people of the Gandhinagar Lok Sabha constituency for their trust and assured them of his commitment to making it the most developed parliamentary constituency, focusing on the progress and development of every area over the next five years. He emphasised the importance of educational innovations and the role of Smart schools in enhancing the learning experience of children. Gujarat Chief Minister Shri Bhupendra Patel was present at the event. ■

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Assam Rifles organised a seminar on World Day Against Child Labour at Hmawngbuchhuah village in Lawngtlai district of Mizoram on June 12. The aim of the event was to raise awareness about illegal exploitation of children in the workforce and to create awareness about the Right to Education and to promote a childhood free from labour.



The Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), as part of its 'Mid-Level Training Course', hosted a delegation of 35 civil service officers from Gambia. The delegation was briefed on the Indian Police and discussions were held with the Director General of the Bureau, Shri Rajeev Kumar Sharma, and other officers on BPR&D activities as well.

The National Fire Service College (NFSC) in Nagpur is a premier institution with a legacy of excellence, uniquely combining technical expertise with the noble mission of saving lives and protecting properties. It is the only institution in the country offering a Fire Engineering degree and operates under the Director General (Fire Service, Civil Defence and Home Guard), Ministry of Home Affairs. Fire Engineering degree holders from NFSC can pursue diverse career paths, including roles as researchers, designers, consultants, scientists, academicians, fire officers, safety health environment (SHE) experts and safety officers in public and private sector organisations. Fire Engineers from NFSC are also in high demand for their expertise all over the world. Founded in 1956 by the Ministry of Home Affairs, the NFSC originally began its operations in Rampur, Uttar Pradesh, before moving its base to Nagpur in 1957. Since 1978, NFSC has been a leader in fire engineering education, significantly shaping the fire, emergency and rescue services landscape in India.



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The Ministry of Home Affairs will continue to accelerate and strengthen security initiatives and introduce new approaches to realise Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji's vision of a secure Bharat. Under his astute leadership, the Ministry of Cooperation will also remain committed to empowering farmers and villages with the vision of 'Sahakar Se Samriddhi'.



**Shri Amit Shah**, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation



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