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WHOLE WORLD HAS SEEN THE POWER OF INDIA'**





NDA MPs felicitating PM Shri Narendra Modi for the success of 'Operation Sindoor' and 'Operation Mahadev' at the NDA Parliamentary Meeting in Parliament House, New Delhi on 05 August 2025



PM Shri Narendra Modi celebrating the festival of Raksha Bandhan with children at his residence (7, Lok Kalyan Marg), in New Delhi on 09 August 2025



BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda meeting with the President of the Philippines, H.E. Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr. in New Delhi on 05 August 2025



Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah unveiling the 'National Cooperation Policy-2025' in New Delhi on July 24, 2025



Union Home & Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah performing Bhoomi Pujan of Punaura Dham Temple in Sitamarhi, Bihar on 08 August 2025



Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh addressing the 'Samarth Bihar and Sashakt Bharat' programme in Patna, Bihar on 02 August 2025

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We are proud that in the last 11 years, the country has developed a governance system that is transparent and sensitive, as well as aligned with the expectations and aspirations of the people.

(6 August, 2025)

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Union Cabinet chaired by the Hon. PM Shri @narendramodi ji, has approved four new components under the existing Central Sector Scheme of Special Development Packages (SDPs) for Assam and Tripura with a total outlay of Rs.4,250 crore. The aim is to improve the lives of vulnerable and marginalised groups who have not received enough benefits from existing government schemes. The initiative will create more job opportunities, improve healthcare, promote education and skills, and support livelihood activities for youth and women. (8 August, 2025)



**@AmitShah**

Gratitude to PM Shri @narendramodi Ji for the approval of the Special Development Packages for Assam and Tripura approved by the Union Cabinet today. They will serve as a new impetus in the development journey being charted by different tribes and other marginalized groups under the Modi govt by creating new infrastructure and employment opportunities, for youth and women. My heartiest congratulations to them. (8 August, 2025)



**@Rajnathsingh**

This week, both houses of Parliament held a special 16-hour discussion each on Operation Sindoor. Operation Sindoor is a significant, historic, and golden chapter of the bravery, valor, and prowess of Indian military.

(2 August, 2025)



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Stability is one big asset of PM Sri @narendramodi Govt. With him at the helm since 11 years , now longest serving HM Sri @AmitShah , long serving Finance , Defence , EAM , Surface transport, Education ministers are making #ViksitBharat take firm shape.

(5 August, 2025)



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Hon'ble PM Shri @narendramodi Ji's #ParikshaPeCharcha 2025 has made history with a Guinness World Record for the highest registrations in a single month. This transformative platform empowers students, parents, and teachers to openly discuss exam stress and learning. It has redefined how India approaches education. A heartfelt thanks to PM Modi Ji for this visionary initiative that continues to guide and uplift young minds across the nation with empathy and confidence. (5 August, 2025)



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**SHRI KRISHNA JANMASHTAMI (16 AUGUST)**

*to all of its readers*



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**INDEPENDENCE DAY (15 AUGUST)**

*to all of its readers*



# 'VIJAY UTSAV' IN PARLIAMENT

**A**s the special discussion on India's strong, successful and decisive "Operation Sindoor" in response to the terrorist attack in Pahalgam took place in parliament, the nation once again came together to celebrate the valour, courage and determination of Indian armed forces. It was a 'Vijay Utsav', a victory celebration of the capabilities of the Indian armed forces, who, in a precise Indian retaliatory strike on 7th May, 2025, demolished nine terrorist infrastructures in Pakistan and PoK, killing over 100 terrorists, following a brutal terrorist attack in Pahalgam. Even while the operation was non-escalatory, Pakistan retaliated, prompting India to destroy its air defence system along with multiple airfields, leading Pakistan to request a ceasefire. India's zero-tolerance policy on terrorism under the strong and resolute leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has made it clear repeatedly that no terror attack will go unpunished while reiterating that dialogue with Pakistan is impossible as long as it continues to support terrorism. It is to be noted that India's robust counter-terrorism strategy not only emphasised India's right to self-defence and refusal to bow to nuclear threats but also succeeded in achieving diplomatic success in gaining international condemnation for terrorism and designating TRF as a global terrorist organisation.

In a major acknowledgement of the continuous success of the Indian economy, the International Monetary Fund's World Economic Outlook Update (July 2025) has reaffirmed India as the world's fastest-growing major economy, with growth forecasts of 6.4 per cent for both 2025 and 2026. The IMF has revised India's growth

projections upward from its April 2025 estimates. While the April forecast projected 6.2 per cent growth for 2025 and 6.3 per cent for 2026, the July update upgraded both years to 6.4 per cent. On a calendar-year basis, the IMF projects India's real GDP growth at 6.7 percent in 2025 and 6.4 percent in 2026. India's projected growth rate significantly outpaces other major economies. China is expected to grow at 4.8 percent in 2025 and 4.2 percent in 2026, while the United States is projected to grow at 1.9 percent in 2025 and 2.0 percent in 2026. The Euro Area is forecast to achieve only 1.0 percent growth in 2025 and 1.2 percent in 2026, and Japan is expected to register 0.7 percent growth in 2025 and 0.5 percent in 2026. The IMF attributes India's robust growth outlook to continued reform momentum and stable economic fundamentals. The Fund notes that India's economy demonstrates resilience amid global uncertainty and maintains its position as a key driver of global economic growth. This upward revision in growth forecasts reinforces India's status as the world's fastest-growing major economy, significantly ahead of other G20 nations and major global economies, which has significantly reduced poverty by bringing more than 30 billion people out of multidimensional poverty just in 11 years.

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## PM MODI FELICITATED BY NDA MPs FOR SUCCESS OF 'OPERATION SINDOOR' AND 'OPERATION MAHADEV'

NDA Parliamentary party meeting was held at the Parliament House complex in New Delhi on 05 August 2025. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Defence Minister Shri Rajnath Singh, Home Minister Shri Amit Shah, BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda and other NDA MPs were present in the meeting. During the meeting, Prime Minister Shri Modi was felicitated by the NDA leaders for the success of 'Operation Sindoor' and 'Operation Mahadev'. A resolution was also passed unanimously by NDA MPs on the success of these operations by lauding the role of armed forces and their unwavering commitment. Condolences were also paid to those who lost their lives in the Pahalgam terror attack. The NDA Parliamentary Party Resolution also lauded the exceptional leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, saying that his unwavering resolve, visionary statesmanship and resolute command ignited a renewed spirit of unity and pride in the hearts of all Indians. The NDA Parliamentary Party meeting has also taken note of the series of defence reforms ushered in by Prime Minister Shri Modi, which proved decisive during Operation Sindoor. The resolution stated that the NDA government has been working tirelessly to build a Viksit Bharat, which is strong, developed and peaceful

### NDA RESOLUTION

The NDA Parliamentary Party salutes the unmatched courage and unwavering commitment of our armed forces, who showed heroic valour during Operation Sindoor and Operation Mahadev. Their courage highlights their unflinching devotion to protecting our nation. We pay our deepest condolences and respects to those who lost their lives in the Pahalgam terror attack.

The NDA Parliamentary Party lauds the exceptional leadership displayed by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi during these times. His unwavering resolve,

visionary statesmanship and resolute command have not only steered the nation with purpose but also ignited a renewed spirit of unity and pride in the hearts of all Indians. On 22nd April, Pakistan-based terrorist group The Resistance Front (TRF), a front and proxy of the Lashkar-e-Taiba, inflicted a devastating attack in Pahalgam, Jammu and Kashmir. The attack resulted in the most gruesome and barbaric killing of 26 innocent tourists. The terrorists killed people in cold blood after segregating them based on their religion.

This terror attack saddened and enraged everyone. Encapsulating the sentiment of each and every Indian, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said on 24th April



in Madhubani in Bihar- "Today, from the soil of Bihar, I say to the whole world: India will identify, track, and punish every terrorist, and their backers. We will pursue them to the ends of the earth. India's spirit will never be broken by terrorism. Terrorism will not go unpunished. Every effort will be made to ensure that justice is done. The entire nation is firm in this resolve. Everyone who believes in humanity is with us. I thank the people of various countries and their leaders, who have stood with us in these times."

True to his solemn vow made from the soil of Bihar, resolve was transformed into action. In response to the Pahalgam attack, on the intervening night of May 6-7, 2025, India launched 'Operation Sindoor'. Through military might and resolute leadership, justice was delivered, reaffirming that India does not forget, and never forgives terror.

Operation Sindoor entailed non-escalatory, precise and targeted attack on terrorist training camps at different locations within Pakistan and Pakistan Occupied Kashmir. It resonated with India's commitment to peace, zero-tolerant towards terror and commitment to do whatever it takes to uproot terrorist infrastructure if circumstances so demanded. After the NDA Government assumed office in 2014, this has been the norm. The people of India have not forgotten how, prior to 2014, terror infrastructure was spread extensively across India. Bomb blasts across our big cities, be it Patna, Bengaluru, Mumbai, Guwahati, Varanasi, Ahmedabad, Hyderabad and even Delhi, were common. This change has been greatly appreciated by the people of India.

We also appreciate the firmness with which PM Modi highlighted the new normal, which shall define our approach to such challenges.

### **Critical three points:**

- **First, if there is a terrorist attack on India, a fitting reply will be given. We will give a befitting response on our terms only. We will take strict action at every place from where the roots of terrorism emerge.**
- **Secondly, India will not tolerate any nuclear blackmail. India will strike precisely and decisively at the terrorist hideouts developing under the cover of nuclear blackmail.**
- **Thirdly, we will not differentiate between the government sponsoring terrorism and the masterminds of terrorism.**

Operation Sindoor received immense support

from India's Nari Shakti in particular. The name of the Operation is particularly poignant, because in our culture, Sindoor is the holy vermilion that women put on their forehead upon their marriage. The coward terrorists removed the Sindoor from our women while our armed forces, through Operation Sindoor, avenged their cruelty and protected crores of Indians. Thus, the NDA Parliamentary Party hails the decisive response that delivered justice for the mothers and daughters of India, aptly named Operation Sindoor. It was indeed a powerful reflection of the nation's resolve under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.

The NDA Parliamentary Party has also taken note of the series of defence reforms ushered in by Prime Minister Modi, which were very useful in Operation Sindoor. It may be recalled how it is the Modi Government which focused on reforms and indigenisation. The commitment to jointness and integration was also witnessed in this Operation. The Prime Minister's personal commitment to ushering in the drone revolution in India proved beneficial too. Time and again, the Prime Minister said that our armed forces have a free hand to strike at the root of terrorism and that they should do it at a time and place of their choosing, which is what happened.

After Operation Sindoor, the Prime Minister ensured 59 Members of Parliament from across parties visited 32 countries to present India's point of view. This is one of the most comprehensive global outreach ever launched by India, highlighting how the country has been a victim of terror and why a terror attack in any one part of the world is a crime against humanity across the globe. The participation of Opposition MPs shows the maturity of our democracy and the statesmanship of the Prime Minister, who believes that in matters of national interest, we are all together. The US designating The Resistance Front (TRF), responsible for the Pahalgam attack, as Foreign Terrorist Organisation (FTO) and Specially Designated Global Terrorist (SDGT), and BRICS Joint Declaration condemning Pahalgam attack, avowing to "ensure zero tolerance for terrorism and reject double standards in countering terrorism", reflect a win for India's diplomatic stance against terrorism inflicted on its soil by Pakistan. The developments reflect India's rising clout on the global stage and international affirmation.

In the last 11 years, the NDA Government has been working tirelessly to build a Viksit Bharat, which is strong, developed and peaceful. These efforts will continue with even greater vigour in the times to come. ■

# VIJAY UTSAV IS A TESTAMENT TO THE VALOUR AND STRENGTH OF THE INDIAN ARMED FORCES: PM MODI

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the Lok Sabha on 29 July 2025, during a special discussion on India's strong, successful and decisive 'Operation Sindoor' in response to the terrorist attack in Pahalgam. Addressing the house, the Prime Minister recalled his interaction with the media fraternity at the beginning of the session, stating that he had appealed to all Honourable Members of Parliament by describing the session as a celebration of India's victories and a tribute to India's glory. Highlighting that 'Vijay Utsav' referring to the complete obliteration of terrorist headquarters, Shri Modi remarked that Vijayotsav represents the fulfillment of the solemn vow taken with sindoor — a tribute to national devotion and sacrifice. "Vijay Utsav is a testament to the valour and strength of India's armed forces", he emphasised, further stating that Vijayotsav celebrates the unity, willpower, and collective triumph of 140 crore Indians

**A**ffirming that he has stood in the House with the spirit of victory to present India's perspective, the Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi stated that for those who fail to see India's viewpoint, he has stood to hold up a mirror. He remarked that he has come to join his voice with the emotions of 140 crore citizens. Shri Modi emphasized that the resonance of these collective sentiments has been heard in

role in the operation's success.

## The height of cruelty

The Prime Minister condemned the heinous incident that occurred in Pahalgam on 22 April 2025, where terrorists brutally shot innocent people after asking their religion — calling it the height of cruelty. He remarked that this was a calculated attempt to plunge India into the flames of violence and incite communal unrest. He thanked the people of India for defeating this conspiracy with unity and resilience.

Shri Modi recalled that after April 22, he issued a public statement, in English as well, to make India's stance clear to the world. He declared it is India's firm resolve to crush terrorism, emphasizing that even the masterminds will face punishment greater than imagination. The Prime Minister noted that he was on a foreign tour on April 22 but returned immediately to convene a high-level meeting. He stated that clear instructions were issued during the meeting to deliver a decisive response to terrorism, reiterating that this is a national commitment.

## Strength, and courage of India's armed forces

Affirming complete confidence in the capabilities, strength, and courage of India's armed forces, Shri Modi stated that the military was given full operational freedom to decide the timing, location, and mode of response. The Prime Minister emphasized that these



the House, and he has risen to add his voice to that resounding spirit.

Expressing gratitude to the people of India for their unwavering support and blessings during Operation Sindoor, the Prime Minister stated that he remains indebted to the nation. He acknowledged the citizens' collective resolve and conveyed appreciation for their



directives were clearly conveyed during the high-level meeting, and some aspects may have been reported in the media. He remarked with pride that the punishment delivered to the terrorists was so impactful that even their masterminds continue to lose sleep over it.

### **Targeted objectives in just 22 minutes**

The Prime Minister stated that he wished to present India's response and the success of its armed forces before the nation through the House. He remarked that following the Pahalgam attack, the Pakistani military had anticipated a major Indian response, prompting them to issue nuclear threats. Outlining the first dimension, he said that as scheduled, India executed its operation on the intervening night of 6th & 7th May 2025, rendering Pakistan unable to react, Shri Modi emphasized that the Indian armed forces avenged the April 22 attack by achieving their targeted objectives in just 22 minutes.

### **Reached locations previously untouched**

Shri Modi, presenting further outlined the second dimension of India's strategic response through the House, remarked that although India has fought multiple wars with Pakistan in the past, this was the first time a strategy was executed that reached locations previously untouched. He highlighted that terrorist hideouts across Pakistan were decisively targeted, including areas no one imagined India could reach. He specifically mentioned Bahawalpur and Muridke, stating that these bases were razed to the ground, affirming that India's armed forces had successfully destroyed terrorist bases.

### **Pakistan's nuclear threats were proven hollow**

Shri Modi emphasized the third dimension that Pakistan's nuclear threats were proven hollow, and India has demonstrated that nuclear blackmailing will no longer be tolerated and nor will India ever bow before it.

### **Demonstrated its advanced technological**

Outlining the fourth dimension of India's strategic response under Operation Sindoor, the Prime Minister stated that India demonstrated its advanced technological capabilities by delivering precise strikes deep within Pakistani territory, resulting in significant

### **Highlights**

- I have stood up in the House with the spirit of this Vijay Utsav to present India's perspective.
- Operation Sindoor highlighted the power of a self-reliant India.
- During Operation Sindoor, the synergy of the Navy, Army and Air Force shook Pakistan to its core.
- India has made it clear that it will respond to terror on its own terms, won't tolerate nuclear blackmail and will treat terror sponsors and masterminds alike.
- During Operation Sindoor, India garnered widespread global support.
- Operation Sindoor is ongoing. Any reckless move by Pakistan will be met with a firm response.
- A strong military at the borders ensures a vibrant and secure democracy.
- Operation Sindoor stands as clear evidence of the growing strength of India's armed forces over the past decade.
- India has made it clear that blood and water cannot flow together.

damage to Pakistan's air base assets—many of which, he added, remain in critical condition. He remarked that we are now in an era of technology-driven warfare, and Operation Sindoor proved India's mastery in this domain. Emphasizing that had India not undertaken the last ten years of preparedness, the country could have faced immense losses in this technological era, Shri Modi presented the fifth dimension, the Prime Minister stated that for the first time, the world has witnessed the strength of an Atmanirbhar Bharat during Operation Sindoor. He highlighted the effectiveness of Made-in-India drones and missiles, which exposed vulnerabilities in Pakistan's weapons systems.

Highlighting a significant achievement in India's defence structure—referring to his announcement of the Chief of Defence Staff (CDS), the Prime Minister remarked that Operation Sindoor witnessed a joint action by the Navy, Army, and Air Force, and the synergy between these forces rattled Pakistan

comprehensively.

## **India will strike back and eliminate**

Shri Modi stated that while terrorist incidents had occurred in India earlier as well, the masterminds were previously undisturbed and continued planning future attacks with impunity. He emphasized that the situation has now changed. Today, after every strike, the masterminds lose sleep—knowing that India will strike back and eliminate threats with precision. The Prime Minister asserted that India has established a “new normal”.

Emphasizing that the global community has now witnessed the vast scale and reach of India’s strategic operations, stating that strikes were conducted across Pakistan from Sindoor to Sindhu, Shri Modi remarked that Operation Sindoor has established a new doctrine: any terrorist attack on India will result in a heavy cost for its masterminds and for Pakistan itself.

## **Three clear principles arising from Operation**

The Prime Minister outlined three clear principles arising from Operation Sindoor. First, India will respond to terrorist attacks on its own terms, in its own way, and at its chosen time. Second, Nuclear blackmail of any kind will no longer be tolerated. Thirdly, India will not distinguish between terrorist sponsors and the masterminds behind such attacks.

Shri Modi informed the House with clarity on global support for India’s actions during Operation Sindoor. He stated that no country in the world objected to India taking necessary action in defence of its national security. The Prime Minister emphasized that out of the 193 member nations of the United Nations, only three issued statements in support of Pakistan during the operation. He remarked that India received widespread backing from countries across the globe—including strategic groupings like QUAD and BRICS, and nations such as France, Russia, and Germany. The Prime Minister asserted that the international community stood in strong support of India.

Expressing deep disappointment that while India received support from the global community, the

valour of the nation’s soldiers did not find backing from the opposition, Shri Modi remarked that just days after the April 22 terrorist attack, certain opposition leaders began mocking the government and alleged failure. The Prime Minister said this mockery, and their indulgence in political opportunism even in the wake of the Pahalgam killings, reflected a disregard for national grief. He stated that such statements were not only petty but demoralizing for India’s security forces. Shri Modi emphasized that some opposition leaders neither believe in India’s strength nor in the capabilities of its armed forces, and continue to cast doubt on Operation Sindoor. He asserted that chasing headlines might serve political interests, but it will not earn the trust or respect of the people.

The Prime Minister stated that on 10 May 2025, India announced the cessation of operations under Operation Sindoor. He acknowledged that this announcement led to varied speculations, which he described as propaganda originating from across the border. He criticized those who chose to amplify Pakistan’s disinformation instead of relying on the facts presented by India’s armed forces, and reaffirmed that India’s stance has always remained clear and resolute.

## **Clear objective to destroy terrorist launch pads**

Recalling India’s targeted military operations over the years, emphasizing the strategic clarity and execution involved, Shri Modi stated that during the surgical strikes, India set a clear objective to destroy terrorist launch pads within enemy territory, which was accomplished overnight before sunrise. He remarked that in the Balakot air strikes, India targeted terrorist training centres and successfully carried out the mission. The Prime Minister emphasized that under Operation Sindoor, India again operated with a clearly defined objective—striking the epicentre of terror and the infrastructure behind the Pahalgam attackers, including their planning bases, training hubs, funding sources, tracking and technical support, and arms supply chains. “India precisely attacked the nerve centre of these terrorists and dismantled the core of their operations”, said the PM.



## Repeated efforts to question and diminish India's military achievements

Highlighting repeated efforts to question and diminish India's military achievements, Shri Modi stated that after India's successful surgical strikes, opposition leaders demanded proof from the armed forces. He noted that as public sentiment shifted in favour of the military, Opposition leaders changed their stance—claiming they had also conducted such strikes citing differing numbers, from three to fifteen surgical strikes.

The Prime Minister remarked that following the Balakot air strikes, the Opposition could not challenge the operation outright but instead began demanding photographic evidence. He observed that they repeatedly asked where the strike hit, what was destroyed, how many were killed—questions, he pointed out, that echoed Pakistan's own rhetoric.

The Prime Minister remarked that when Indian Air Force pilot Abhinandan was captured by Pakistan, celebrations in that country were expected. However, some individuals within India began whispering doubts, suggesting that the Prime Minister was in trouble and questioning whether Abhinandan would be brought back.

Shri Modi further stated that after the Pahalgam attack, when a BSF soldier was taken captive by Pakistan, certain groups believed they had gained a major opportunity to corner the government. He highlighted that their ecosystem spread numerous narratives across social media—raising speculative questions about the soldier's fate, his family's condition, and the likelihood of his return. He emphasized that despite these attempts, India responded with clarity and dignity, dispelling misinformation and reaffirming its commitment to protecting every soldier.

Stating that the BSF soldier captured after the Pahalgam incident also returned with honour and dignity, Shri Modi remarked that terrorists were grieving, their handlers were grieving—and seeing them, some individuals within India appeared to grieve as well. He observed that during the surgical strikes, attempts were made to play political games which failed to gain traction. During the air strike,

similar attempts were made, but those too collapsed. He noted that when Operation Sindoor took place, critics shifted their stance again, first refusing to acknowledge the operation, then questioning why it was stopped. He commented that those opposing always seek a reason to object.

Highlighting that the Opposition has long displayed a negative attitude towards the armed forces, the Prime Minister pointed out that even during the recent commemoration of Kargil Vijay Diwas, the Opposition neither celebrated the victory nor acknowledged its significance.

### India's air defence neutralized all of them

Underlining that while discussions often focus on one part of Operation Sindoor, Shri Modi there are moments of national pride and demonstrations of strength that also deserve attention. He praised India's air defence systems, noting that they are

widely acknowledged across the world and that they had dismantled Pakistan's missiles and drones "like straw." He cited data that on 9 May, Pakistan attempted

a major offensive involving approximately one thousand missiles and armed drones targeting India. The Prime Minister emphasized that had these missiles landed, they would have caused widespread destruction. Instead, India's air defence neutralized all of them mid-air. He stated that this achievement fills every citizen with pride.

Criticizing that Pakistan spread false reports about an attack on the Adampur airbase and attempted to widely promote that lie, Shri Modi stated that he personally visited Adampur the very next day and exposed the falsehoods on ground, making it clear that such misinformation would no longer succeed.

The Prime Minister criticized that the current Opposition has governed India for a significant period and is fully aware of how administrative systems function. He expressed concern that despite this experience, they consistently refused to accept official clarifications. Shri Modi noted that whether it is a statement from the Ministry of External Affairs, repeated responses from the External Affairs Minister, or clarifications from the Home and Defence Ministers, the opposition refuses to trust

them. He questioned how a party that has ruled for decades could show such lack of faith in the nation's institutions, asserting that opposition now seems to operate according to Pakistan's remote control, with its stance shifting accordingly.

## India's military empowerment

"Operation Sindoor stands as direct evidence of India's military empowerment over the past decade", exclaimed the Prime Minister, noting that such strength did not emerge spontaneously, but was the result of focused effort—contrasting it with Opposition's tenure, during which self-reliance in defence was not even considered. He remarked that even today, the term "self-reliance," rooted in Gandhian philosophy, is mocked.

The Prime Minister recalled that a decade ago, Indians resolved to build a strong, self-reliant, and modern nation, prompting a series of security reforms that were implemented for the first time since independence. He noted that the appointment of the Chief of Defence Staff was a major reform—one that had long been debated and practiced globally, yet never executed in India. He applauded the wholehearted support and acceptance of this system by all three services.

## 'Make in India'

Underscoring that 'Make in India' in the defence sector was never merely a slogan, Shri Modi stated that budgetary increases, policy changes, and new initiatives were undertaken with a clear vision, enabling rapid progress in indigenous defence manufacturing. He highlighted that in the past decade, India's defence budget has nearly tripled. Defence production has increased by approximately 250 percent, and defence exports have surged over 30 times in the last 11 years, now reaching nearly 100 countries.

The Prime Minister remarked that certain milestones have had a lasting impact on history, stating that Operation Sindoor has firmly positioned India within the global defence market. He noted that the rising demand for Indian weaponry would strengthen domestic industries, empower MSMEs, and create employment for youth. He affirmed that young Indians are now showcasing India's strength through their innovations.

## Opposition never had a clear vision

The Prime Minister asserted that the opposition has never had a clear vision for national security and has consistently compromised on it. He stated that those now questioning why Pakistan-occupied Kashmir hasn't been reclaimed must first answer who allowed Pakistan to take control of it in the first place.

Strongly criticizing post-independence decisions that continue to burden the nation, Shri Modi highlighted that critical misjudgements led to the loss of 38,000 square kilometers of Indian territory in Aksai Chin, which was wrongly labeled as barren land. He remarked that between 1962 and 1963, the then-ruling party leaders had proposed surrendering key regions in Jammu & Kashmir, including Poonch, Uri, Neelam Valley, and Kishanganga.

## PM praised the Indian delegations

The Prime Minister praised the Indian delegations who, with conviction and clarity, represented the nation globally. Their advocacy, he said, echoed the 'Sindoor Spirit' that now guides India's posture both within and beyond its borders.

Expressing dismay over the reaction of some opposition leaders who allegedly opposed India's assertive global messaging, the Prime Minister lamented attempts to silence those who spoke in the House

in defense of the nation. Addressing this mindset, he shared a poetic expression that called for courageous and purposeful discourse.

Shri Modi urged the opposition to abandon political pressures that allegedly led to leniency towards Pakistan and warned against turning moments of national triumph into political ridicule.

The Prime Minister made it unequivocally clear: India will dismantle terrorism at its roots. Operation Sindoor remains ongoing, serving as a direct warning to Pakistan—until cross-border terrorism is halted, India will continue its responsive actions.

Shri Modi concluded with a firm resolve to ensure India's future remains safe and prosperous, and expressed deep gratitude to the House for engaging in meaningful deliberation that reflects the sentiments of the people. ■

**The rising demand for Indian weaponry would strengthen domestic industries, empower MSMEs, and create employment for youth**



## **IN 22 MINUTES, WE TOOK REVENGE FOR 22ND APRIL: JP NADDA**

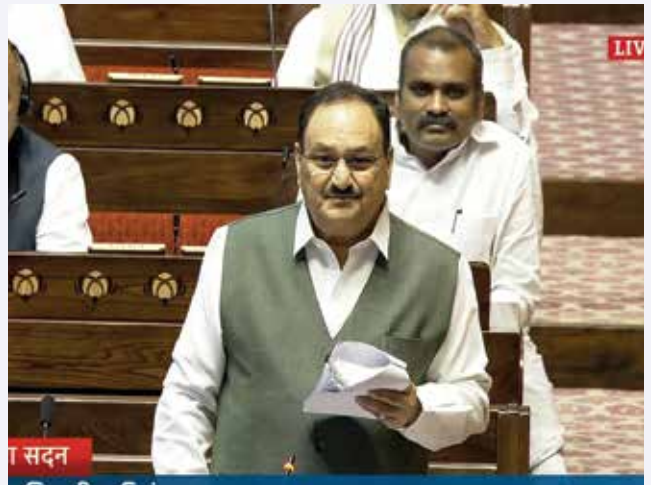
Participating in the Special discussion on Operation Sindoor in Rajya Sabha on 30 July 2025, BJP National President and Union Minister Shri JP Nadda said, "When this House began on 21st July, 2025, I had told the Leader of Opposition at that time that the Government was ready to discuss

Operation Sindoor. We are ready to discuss the Pahalgam attack and are prepared to go into every detail of it. The Pahalgam incident is extremely heart-wrenching, sorrowful, and one that shakes humanity to its core. We know that 25 Indians and one Nepali citizen lost their lives in this incident. The incident was so harsh that it is unbearable for anyone, and even imagining it is very difficult. Prime Minister presented extensive details about this discussion in the Lok Sabha, which the entire country heard and understood

**B**JP National President Shri JP Nadda said what is certain is the role our brave forces played, the role our police played, the role our Army played in this entire incident - the country bows down to them with respect and stands with honor towards them. But through this House, I want to tell the country that political leadership is very important because political leadership gives orders to the forces. Therefore, there is a difference between a responsible Government, a responsive Government, a sensitive Government, a proactive Government, and a Government which responds according to the need of the hour.

I won't start from 1947 - I'm taking just one phase. That itself is enough.

- In the Shramjeevi Express in Jaunpur in 2005, Harkat-ul-Jihad carried out a bomb blast. Fourteen people were killed and 62 were injured. No action was taken.
- Delhi serial bomb blasts occurred on 29th October, 2005, in Sarojini Nagar, Paharganj, Govindpuri in Delhi. It was carried out by Lashkar-e-Taiba. How many people were killed? 67 people died, and 200 were injured. This bomb blast happened just before Diwali.
- Varanasi bomb blast took place on 7th March, 2006, at Sankat Mochan Temple, Varanasi Cantonment, and Railway Station, attacked by Harkat-ul-Jihad. The death toll was 28, with 100 injured. No action was taken.
- Mumbai train bomb blast was carried out on 11th July, 2006. Indian Mujahideen and Lashkar-e-Taiba joined hands to execute this. How many killed? 209 people were killed, and 700 were injured. After this,



a Joint Anti-Terrorism Mechanism was established to determine how a State Policy of Terrorism would be formulated. This mechanism met two months later, and the second meeting happened seven months later. No action was taken.

- In 2007, serial bomb blasts occurred in Gorakhpur, Uttar Pradesh, by Harkat-ul-Jihad. Eleven people were killed. In 2007 itself, serial bomb blasts happened simultaneously in Lucknow, Ayodhya, and Varanasi by Harkat-ul-Jihad and Indian Mujahideen. In the same way, on 1st October, 2007, after these 2007 incidents, you gave permission for goods carriers to travel from both sides on Wagah Border and Attari Border. This was given as a bonus. India and Pakistan signed air services agreements. 12 flights were extended to 28 flights. You only kept appeasing and never put pressure on Pakistan in the name of terror.
- On 31st December, 2008, there was an attack on

the CRPF camp in Rampur. There, a terrorist named Shabuddin who was captured was a life convict. The Uttar Pradesh Government decided to release him and gave orders for his release. The Allahabad High Court refused, saying "You cannot do it." We need to understand how far appeasement reached.

- Jaipur bomb blast on 13th May, 2008, at multiple locations in Jaipur, involved Indian Mujahideen. 71 people were killed and 185 injured. What happened after this? In 2008, India and Pakistan agreed on a set of Kashmir-specific Confidence-Building Measures. We were pursuing Confidence-Building Measures while Pakistan kept shooting us with bullets, and we kept serving them biryani.
- What did the Congress Government do? After this, they allowed triple-entry permits to cross the LoC. This happened after the Jaipur incident.
- Bengaluru serial bomb blasts occurred at multiple locations in Bengaluru. Students Islamic Movement of India (SIMI) was involved. People were killed and 20 were injured.
- Ahmedabad serial bomb blasts happened on 26th July, 2008 at multiple locations in Ahmedabad, with Indian Mujahideen involved. 56 people were killed in these attacks. Look at the number of people killed in these attacks - sometimes 70, sometimes 56, sometimes 100, sometimes 209.
- Delhi serial bomb blast on 13th September, 2008, at Connaught Place, Gaffar Market, and other areas in Delhi, involved Indian Mujahideen. 30 people were killed while 133 injured. What did you do after this?
- Those who are asking us what happened to Pahalgam. It's like the criminal himself became the judge and started questioning us.
- Lashkar-e-Taiba took responsibility for Mumbai terror attacks at Taj Mahal Hotel, Oberoi-Trident, Chabad House, and Chhatrapati Shivaji Terminal. 166 people were killed while 300 injured. What did our Government do? They sent a dossier!
- In 2009, dialogue of the Shanghai Cooperation Organization started in Russia. In the BRICS meeting held just some months after, there was no mention or reference to the 2008 terror attacks. Similarly, in 2009, a joint statement was issued in Sharm El-Sheikh, Egypt. What a shameful statement in Sharm El-Sheikh! What did they do? Because if we try to understand Pahalgam in just

one piece, it won't work. We need to understand in chronological order how incidents kept happening in the country and how political leadership kept responding. We need to understand and keep this in mind.

### **Number of terror incidents reduced by more than 80%**

Now see the second phase - from 2014, Amavasya started to fall. In 2014, throughout the country - and except for Jammu and Kashmir, terrorist attacks have stopped. We need to understand this.

Now see, the number of terror incidents from 2004 to 2014 was 7,217. From 2015 to 2025, the number fell to 2,115 - a reduction of more than 80%. We are giving accounts, we are discussing.

Between 2004 and 2014, there were 1,770 civilian deaths. This number dropped to just 357 between 2015 and 2025, which is a reduction of 70%. Deaths of security personnel were 1,060 from 2004 to 2014. This decreased to 542 from 2015 to 2025 - a reduction of 49%. On the other hand, the number of terrorist deaths increased by 123% during this period.

Now we want to talk about surgical strikes. At our Brigade Headquarters in Uri on 18th September, 2016, Jaish-e-Mohammad commanders came, and they killed 19 soldiers. I want to put this on record. That's why I'm saying the Army was there then and is there now. The same forces were there then and are there now. The political leadership was different. When Jaish-e-Mohammad took responsibility for terrorist attacks, the Balakot air strike happened.

The Pahalgam attack is before you. We all know that within 13 days, the answer was given - Operation Sindoor. We hit the terror infrastructure. It was measured, non-escalatory. We went 300 kilometers inside Pakistan's airbases with precision and accuracy. No civilian was harmed, and no terrorist present there survived.

In 22 minutes, we took revenge for 22nd April. We need to understand this too. Never in history - I'm saying this on record - never has any Government responded to Pakistan the way the Prime Minister did after Operation Sindoor within 22 minutes.

This is the picture of changing India today. The world has also accepted the country's courage. The world's people have said this in very clear words. But still, some people here say "surrendered, surrendered" and speak such language. ■



## **Overall politico-military objective of Operation Sindoor was to punish Pakistan for fighting a proxy war: Rajnath Singh**

**“The objective of Operation Sindoor was not to cross the border or capture the territory; it was to eliminate terror nurseries which Pakistan had nurtured for years, and provide justice to the innocent families who lost their loved ones in cross-border attacks,” said Raksha Mantri Shri Rajnath Singh in the Lok Sabha on July 28, 2025. He termed Pakistan-sponsored terrorism as not “Random Madness”, but a “well-planned strategy” and a “fundamental rage”, emphasising that the overall politico-military objective of Operation Sindoor was to punish Pakistan for fighting a proxy war in the form of terrorism**

**R**aksha Mantr Shri Rajnath Singh asserted that, during Operation Sindoor, India not only demonstrated its military capability, but also its national resolve, morality and political acumen, stressing that New Delhi will give a decisive and clear answer to any terrorist attack. “Those who provide shelter and support to terrorism will not be spared. India is not going to bow down to any kind of nuclear blackmailing or other pressures,” he said.

### **Armed Forces were given the freedom**

Shri Singh described the Pahalgam terrorist attack on April 22, 2025, when 26 innocent people,



including a Nepali citizen, were killed on the basis of their religion, as the vilest example of inhumanity, which tested the limits of India's tolerance. He stated that, immediately after the attack, PM Modi held a high-level meeting, and the Armed Forces were given the freedom to take decisive action keeping

in mind discretion, strategic understanding and regional security situation.

“On May 06 & 07, 2025, the Indian Armed Forces launched Operation Sindoor, which was not just a military action, but an effective and decisive demonstration of the Government's responsibility towards India's sovereignty, its identity & the people of the country, as well as its policy against terrorism. Our military leadership not only showed its maturity but also demonstrated the strategic wisdom which is expected from a responsible power like India,” said Shri Rajnath Singh.

### **Open support of Pakistan Army and ISI**

He highlighted that the Armed Forces carried out Operation Sindoor after studying every aspect in depth. “There were a number of options on the table, but we chose the option in which the terrorists and their hideouts suffered maximum damage and the common citizens of Pakistan did not suffer any harm. According to an estimate, over 100 terrorists, their trainers, handlers and associates were killed in well-coordinated strikes by our forces at nine terror infrastructure targets in Pakistan and PoK with precision. Most of the terrorists belonged to organisations like Jaish-e-Mohammed, Lashkar-e-Taiba and Hizbul Mujahideen, which have the open support of Pakistan Army and ISI. Our action was completely in self-defence. It was neither provocative nor expansionist,” he said.

### **Pakistan used missiles, drones, rockets**

Shri Rajnath Singh further stated that, on May 10, 2025, Pakistan used missiles, drones, rockets

and other long-range weapons on India, in addition to technologies related to electronic warfare, on a large scale, targeting Indian Air Force bases, Indian Army ammunition depots, airports and military cantonments. He informed the House with pride that India's air defence system, counter-drone system and electronic equipment completely foiled the attack, highlighting the effectiveness of S400, Akash Missile System and air defence guns.

### **Our security system was foolproof**

"Our security system was foolproof and every attack was foiled. Pakistan was unable to hit any of the Indian targets and none of the important assets were damaged," said Raksha Mantri, while appreciating the soldiers for their bravery & determination.

### **Highlights**

- **"India demonstrated its military capability, national resolve, morality & political acumen"**
- **"Our military leadership demonstrated maturity & strategic wisdom expected from a responsible power like India"**
- **"If Pakistan again tries to carry out any nefarious act, we are fully prepared for an even more intense & decisive action"**
- **"Those who dream to give India a thousand cuts must never forget that this is the New India led by PM Modi which can go to any extent against terrorism"**
- **Shri Rajnath Singh assures the nation that the Govt, Armed Forces & democratic institutions are committed to taking every step necessary for unity, integrity & security of the nation**

### **Retaliatory attack was swift, proportionate and precise**

Raksha Mantri termed India's response to Pakistan's attack as bold, firm and effective. "The Indian Air Force targeted Pakistan's airbases, Command and Control centers, Military infrastructures, and Air Defense Systems on the Western Front, and the mission was successfully accomplished. Our retaliatory attack was swift, proportionate and precise," he stated.

Shri Rajnath Singh added that the Indian Armed

Forces only targeted those who were continuously involved in trying to attack India while supporting terrorists. The objective was never to wage war but to compel the adversary to bow down through demonstrative use of force," he said, asserting that none of soldiers suffered any casualties during the operation.

### **Defeat of Pakistan was a defeat of its military strength and morale**

Raksha Mantri informed the House that, on the morning of May 10, when the Indian Air Force struck heavy blows on multiple Pakistani airfields, Pakistan conceded defeat and offered to cease hostilities. "The offer was accepted with the caveat that the operation was only paused, and if there was any future misadventure on the part of Pakistan, it would lead to the resumption of the operation. The attacks by the Indian Air Force, strong retaliation by the Indian Army along the LoC and the fear of Naval attacks forced Pakistan to surrender. And this defeat of Pakistan was not simply a failure, but a defeat of its military strength and morale," he said.

### **DGMO of Pakistan contacted the DGMO of India**

Shri Rajnath Singh stated that on May 10, the DGMO of Pakistan contacted the DGMO of India & appealed to halt the military operations, and after formal talks on May 12 between the two DGMOs, both sides decided to put a halt to the operations. He added that, after the operation, he visited the border areas to meet the soldiers, and was first-hand witness to their unwavering resolve. "Our soldiers are not only protecting the borders, but also safeguarding our national self-respect," he said.

### **Committed to completely eradicate terrorism**

Raksha Mantri said that, under PM Modi's leadership, India does not tolerate, it responds and the Government is committed to completely eradicate terrorism in all its forms and manifestations.

Raksha Mantri assured the House and the people of the country that the Government, the Armed Forces and democratic institutions are committed to taking every step necessary for the unity, integrity and security of the nation. ■



# **'Operation Sindoor,' eliminated the terror camps and masters of terrorists: Amit Shah**

**Union Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah participated in a special discussion in the Lok Sabha on 'Operation Sindoor', India's strong, successful, and decisive response to the Pahalgam terror attack on 29 July 2025. Participating in the discussion, Union Home Minister strongly condemned the killing of innocent civilians in Pahalgam based on religion and expressed condolences to the families of those killed. He also expressed deep condolences to the Indian citizens killed and injured in the firing by Pakistan on Indian civilian targets in response to Operation Sindoor**

**D**uring the discussion Union Home Minister Shri Amit Shah informed the House about the elimination of three terrorists - Suleman, Hamza Afghani (Afghan) and Zibran - in Operation Mahadev, a joint operation of Indian Army, CRPF and Jammu and Kashmir Police in Dachigam, Kashmir just the previous day. He said that Suleman was an 'A' category commander of LeT who was involved in the terrorist attacks in Pahalgam and Gagangir. Afghan and Jibran were also category 'A' terrorists of LeT who killed our innocent civilians in Baisaran Valley and these three terrorists were eliminated yesterday. Home Minister congratulated the jawans of Army's 4 Para, CRPF and Jammu and Kashmir Police on behalf of the House and the entire nation for this success.



incident in Pahalgam.

## **Operation Mahadev**

Union Home Minister said that Operation Mahadev was started on 22 May 2025. He said that the Pahalgam attack took place on 22 April 2025 at 1 pm and he himself had reached Srinagar at 5:30 pm. He said that a security meeting was held on 23 April, in which all the security forces, Army, CRPF and Jammu and Kashmir Police were involved and, in this meeting, it was decided that the terrorists involved in the Pahalgam terror attack should not leave the country and flee to Pakistan and we made strong arrangements for this and did not let them escape the country.

Shri Amit Shah told the House that the National Investigation Agency (NIA) had already arrested the people who had given shelter to these three terrorists. He said that when the bodies of these three terrorists came to Srinagar, four people identified them and said that these three terrorists had carried out the terrorist

## **To finish off the masters of the terrorists**

Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation said that through Operation Sindoor, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji worked to finish off the masters of the terrorists involved in the Pahalgam attack and yesterday our Army and CRPF also killed those three terrorists. He said that Operation Mahadev is a very big joint success of our country's Army, CRPF and Jammu and Kashmir Police, on which 140 crore people of the country are proud. He told that after the terrorist attack, he himself went to Pahalgam and met the families of the deceased there. He said that Prime Minister Modi Ji killed those who sent the terrorists through Operation Sindoor and our security forces killed those terrorists who were involved. He said that through Operation Sindoor, such a lesson has been taught to the terrorists and their masters that no one will dare to do such a thing for a long time to come.

## Shelter to the terrorists

Shri Shah informed that based on the information received from interrogation, sketches of the terrorists were made and on 22 June 2025, Bashir and Parvez were identified who had given shelter to the terrorists the day after the Pahalgam attack. He said that Bashir and Parvez were arrested and they revealed that on the night of 21 April 2025 at 8 pm, three terrorists had come to them and they had two AK 47 and one M4 carbine rifle. Shri Shah informed the House that the mother of Bashir and Parvez has also identified the three killed terrorists and now this has been confirmed by FSL as well. He said that these three were the terrorists involved in the Pahalgam attack and 2 AK 47 and one M9 carbine recovered from them were used in this attack.

## Suspend Indus Water Treaty

Shri Amit Shah informed the Lok Sabha that on April 22, 2025, there was a terrorist attack in Pahalgam in which 26 people were killed. Among the deceased, 25 were Indian citizens and one was a Nepali national. He said that he himself left for Srinagar after the attack and held a meeting with the security forces and all agencies at night to give instructions that the terrorists involved in the attack should not be allowed to escape the country. He said that Prime Minister Modi chaired the Cabinet Committee on Security (CCS) meetings on April 23 and on April 30. He informed that in the meeting on April 23, the first action taken by Prime Minister Modi was to suspend the Indus Water Treaty. Following that, the integrated check post operating through Attari was closed, SAARC visas of all Pakistani citizens were suspended and they were sent back to Pakistan, and defense, military, and naval advisors working at the Pakistani High Commission were declared persona non grata and their number was reduced from 55 to 30.

## Crossed 100 kilometres inside Pakistan's border

Union Home Minister said that on May 7 at 1:22 AM, our DGMO (Director General of Military Operations) informed Pakistan's DGMO that we had only attacked terrorist hideouts and their headquarters, which is as per our right to self-defence. He said that today the country

has the government of Narendra Modi, and it is no longer possible that they come to attack us and we sit quietly and discuss. Shri Shah said that after the Uri terrorist attack, we carried out surgical strikes; after the Pulwama terrorist attack, we conducted air strikes; and now, after the Pahalgam terrorist attack, we have crossed 100 kilometres inside Pakistan's border and eliminated nine terrorist hideouts and more than 100 terrorists.

Shri Amit Shah said that the question is that during the rule of the opposition party from 2005 to 2011, terrorists carried out 27 heinous attacks in which about 1000 people were killed, but what did the then government do? He challenged the Leader of the Opposition to stand up in the House and tell the country what steps the then government took against those terrorist attacks. They just kept sending photos and dossiers of terrorists to Pakistan.

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Union Home Minister said that the terrorist incidents that have happened in our time were sponsored by Pakistan and were mainly Kashmir-centric. There was hardly any terrorist incident in any other part of the country from 2014 to 2025. He said that it is the Narendra Modi government due to

which youth is no longer turning towards terrorism in Kashmir but the situation has become such that they have to send terrorists from Pakistan.

## Government has made a zero terror plan

Shri Amit Shah said that our government has made a zero terror plan, area domination plan, multi-level deployment, built security jails, 98 percent of trials are now being done through video conferencing. We have created resources of communication and have jailed 702 phone sellers and blocked 2666 SIM cards.

Union Home Minister said that our soldiers protect the country by staying on mountains and near rivers and streams in minus 43-degree Celcius temperature. If someone enters our territory, he will not survive, we will either arrest him or he will be killed in an encounter. He said that those who oppose POTA will not like Narendra Modi's anti-terrorists policy, those who create vote bank by defending terrorists will not like this policy. This is the Narendra Modi government; we have zero tolerance policy against terrorism. ■





# PASSING THE MANTLE: HOW MODI JI BUILDS ON VAJPAYEE'S BLUEPRINT FOR VIKSHIT BHARAT



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## Passing the Torch and Actualizing Vajpayee Ji's Vision: Narendra Modi and the roadmap to Vikshit Bharat 2047

In 2014 after almost a decade of Atal Bihari Vajpayee ji's government, Narendra Modi ji became the Prime Minister. With his remarkable foresight and dynamism, he started where Atal ji left off. He not only imbibed the foundational ideals laid down by Vajpayee ji but also elevated them to new heights, ensuring that the vision of our respected and admired leader are not only remembered but vigorously realized in modern India.

With the advent of the Narendra Modi government the metaphorical 'torch' of nation building was passed from one visionary to another, and now the torch burns even brighter illuminating a path of progress and inclusion. Leadership of Modi ji represents a very powerful continuity, building upon Vajpayee ji's blueprint with scale, speed and better technological integration

## A Quantum Leap in Infrastructure and Connectivity

Taking Vajpayee Ji's Vision for

infrastructure development and modernization forward, Modi ji has propelled it into a new era with an unprecedented scale and ambition. For instance, The Bharatmala Pariyojana is a direct and expansive evolution of the Golden Quadrilateral which aims to develop over 83,000 KM of roads which includes economic corridors, inter-corridor and many feeder routes. It also envisions to improve national corridors efficiency, border and

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international connectivity of roads, ports and coastal connectivity roads and many greenfield expressways.

Similarly, the Sagarmala Programme envisions modernizing ports and improving port-led industrialization and community development in coastal areas; it is bound to transform India's waterway and coastline. This is a natural extension of Vajpayee ji's understanding of economic arteries

Beyond ports and roads, the current regime has aggressively pursued the expansion of dedicated

freight corridors, high speed rail network and a significant boost in airport capacity as well as construction of newer airports. All contributing to a seamless, integrated national transportation grid.

Modi ji's government has also placed a significant emphasis on Digital Infrastructure which echoes Vajpayee ji's push for modernization. Initiatives such as Digital India are connecting people and touching their lives as never before. But these initiatives are not only about connecting people they seek to transform governance while empowering citizens in the modern digital economy,

The JAM (Jan Dhan Aadhaar Mobile) trinity has created a robust public infrastructure which has enabled DBT (direct benefit transfer) to beneficially curb corruption and leakages. This is a clear manifestation of Vajpayee ji's vision of good governance and transparency.

BharatNet project which aims to connect every gram panchayat with optical fiber (high speed internet) is another example of the commitment of Modi ji's government in bridging the digital divide. Thus, ensuring that the benefits of modern India is within the reach of even the most remotest village.

## Empowering the Marginalized: Antyodaya in Action

Vajpayee Ji's work for Antyodaya (the upliftment of the last person)

has been the primary principle carried forward vigorously by our Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji. With over 50 crore beneficiaries, the Ayushman Bharat Pradhan Mantri Jan Arogya Yojana (PMJAY) stands as the world's largest government-funded healthcare program. This scheme addresses the healthcare needs of the marginalised and the most vulnerable by extending and ensuring access to quality and inclusive medical treatment.

Another cornerstone has been that of financial inclusion. The Pradhan Mantri Jan Dhan Yojana has connected millions of households into the formal financial system and provided them with bank accounts, debit cards and access to credit and insurance. This initiative as well as MUDRA loans for small entrepreneurs and the direct benefit transfers have been fundamental to inclusive growth by empowering individuals to self-sufficiency and participate actively in the economy.

Schemes like the Pradhan Mantri Ujjwala Yojana provided free LPG connections to rural women and the Swachh Bharat Abhiyan aimed to achieve universal sanitation have directly improved the living standards and dignity of the marginalized. This demonstrates a holistic approach to their empowerment as well.

## **National Security**

Prime Minister Modi has shown assertive diplomacy and advanced India's stature on the global stage which is quite reminiscent of Vajpayee Ji's principled foreign policy. Initiatives like "Act East" and "Neighbourhood First" have remarkably strengthened India's strategic partnerships and global

influence marking Modi Ji's active and proactive foreign policies. The major focus on strengthening defence capabilities, modernization of armed forces and decisive action upon any threats to national security namely the surgical strikes and Balakot airstrikes and Operation Sindoor, to name just a few, reflects his truly resolute commitment to protect India's interests. The abrogation of Article 370, a long-standing aspiration of the party, gave way to Prime Minister Modi Ji's firm stances on national security and strategic autonomy. These determined steps echo the principles and firm stances of

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Vajpayee Ji on the strategic policies, nation's integrity and the dream of a unified India.

## **Resilience in Crisis and Good Governance**

The government's swift and comprehensive response to the COVID-19 pandemic exemplified a legacy of good governance and people-centric policies. From the rapid development and deployment of indigenous vaccines to the massive vaccination drive, and from providing free food grains to 80 crore people to economic relief packages, the administration demonstrated remarkable resilience

and a deep commitment to public welfare. The continued emphasis on digital reforms, such as the Unified Payments Interface (UPI) revolutionizing digital transactions and the CoWIN platform for vaccination management, showcases the government's ability to leverage technology for efficient and transparent governance, a direct continuation of Vajpayee Ji's vision for a modern and effective state.

## **Living the Ideals: Reflections from My Parliamentary Role**

Having had the distinct privilege of working closely with Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji and now serving under the dynamic leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji, it is profoundly evident that our party remains firmly anchored in its core principles. The evolution of policies and the approach to governance have adapted to meet contemporary needs, yet without ever losing sight of the deep-seated roots of our ideology and the vision of our founding leaders.

In my role as a Member of Parliament, I see every day how the spirit of Vajpayee Ji's vision permeates the current administration's actions. The emphasis on policy formulation with compassion is palpable. Whether it is in the debates surrounding healthcare reforms, educational policies, or social welfare schemes, there is a consistent underlying current of ensuring that the benefits reach the most vulnerable. This isn't just about statistics; it's about the human element, a lesson I learned directly from Vajpayee Ji's empathetic approach to

governance.

The unwavering commitment to national integrity is another principle that has been carried forward with renewed vigor. From legislative measures aimed at strengthening national security to diplomatic efforts that assert India's sovereignty on the global stage, every action is guided by a resolute determination to protect and uphold the unity of our diverse nation. This echoes Vajpayee Ji's firm stand on national pride and his strategic resolve.

Furthermore, the balance between steadfast secularism and nationalism continues to be a defining characteristic. The party's vision of nationalism is inherently inclusive, celebrating India's rich cultural tapestry while fostering a collective identity rooted in shared national aspirations. This is a nuanced approach, one that Vajpayee Ji championed through his emphasis on harmony and consensus, and which Modi Ji continues to articulate as a commitment to "Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat" (One India, Great India).

Our progress on transformative initiatives such as the Goods and Services Tax (GST), which streamlined India's indirect tax structure, the exponential growth in infrastructure development across all sectors, the expansion of social welfare programs reaching unprecedented numbers of beneficiaries, and the rapid strides in digital empowerment through various technological interventions – all these are not merely isolated achievements. They are, in essence, the tangible manifestations of Vajpayee Ji's visionary roadmaps,



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meticulously planned and vigorously implemented to become a reality under the devoted stewardship of Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji. I am proud to contribute to this ongoing narrative, witnessing how the seeds sown decades ago are now blossoming into a vibrant, modern India.

### **The Promise Continues**

As a Member of Parliament from the BJP, I have been privileged to be able to witness both the profound legacy of Atal Bihari Vajpayee ji and the dynamic and transformative leadership of Prime Minister Narendra Modi ji. As Modi ji has said "We walk together, we

move together, we think together, we resolve together, and together we take this country forward." I feel immense pride and gratitude of being an integral part of this ongoing transformative process of Nation Building.

The passing of the mantle, from Atal Bihari Vajpayee Ji's sagacious vision toward Modiji's resolute actualization towards a 'Vikshit Bharat by 2047', represents a seamless and powerful continuum in unfolding India's Developmental story.

Today, India stands tall on the global stage as the fifth largest economy, moving steadily towards becoming the fourth largest. India has showcased itself as the nation that is deeply inclusive in its ethos and development agenda, progressively modernizing and remarkably united in its aspirations imbibing the vision of "unity in diversity". This vibrance is the living testament that Vajpayee ji's dreams of a strong, prosperous and harmonious Bharat not only endures but is also actively thriving under the stewardship of Prime Minister Narendra Modi whose dedication and vision for India has been transformative.

The foundations which were laid by Vajpayee ji have now been built upon by Modi ji, which is creating an edifice of progress that promises a better and brighter future for all Indians. We the people together, as a nation, will continue to work towards the goal of realizing the grand vision of a strong and harmonious Bharat. A vision which befits our rich past while boldly embracing the limitless possibilities that future brings. ■

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## **STPI CREATES 2.98 LAKH JOBS IN NON-METROS UP TO MARCH 2025**

Software Technology Park of India (STPI), an Autonomous society under the aegis of the Ministry of Electronics and Information Technology (MeitY), has contributed significantly to the creation of employment in the IT and ITeS segments in the Tier 2 and Tier 3 cities in India. STPI created around 2.98 lakh jobs in the non-metro cities. The information was shared by Union Minister Ashwini Vaishnaw in a written reply to the Lok Sabha.

"The employment reported by STPI-registered units in non-metro cities is 2,98,250 (as of 31st March 2025). In addition, approximately 9,800 jobs have been reported by startups from non-metro areas that are supported under the CoEs and the Next Generation Incubation Scheme (NGIS)," said the minister in the lower house.

As per Vaishnaw, a total of 68 STPI centers are working pan-India, significantly aiding in increasing software exports of the country. The body has established nine new centers in the last five years.

The body has a total outlay of Rs 445.77 crore, supporting 1121 startups through various schemes. A total of Rs 39.86 crore was disbursed as direct funding to 590 startups during the last 3 financial years. "The total software exports achieved by STPI-registered units is approximately Rs 10.64 lakh crore (\$283 billion) in FY 2024-25," said the minister further. ■

## **INDIA'S ELECTRONICS EXPORTS JUMP OVER 47% TO \$12.4 BILLION IN Q1 FY26**

Driven by the mobile phone segment, India's electronics exports surged over 47 per cent year-on-year to \$ 12.4 billion in the first quarter of fiscal year 2025-26, said data from the India Cellular and Electronics Association (ICEA) here on 07 August 2025.

According to the Industry body's statement, the country's electronics exports stood at \$ 8.43 billion in the April-June period last year.

Total electronics exports increased from \$ 29.1 billion in FY24 to \$38.6 billion in FY25. With the current momentum, ICEA projects that electronics exports for the full fiscal year 2026 are expected to be in the range of \$ 46-50 billion. Over the past decade, total electronics production in India has grown from \$ 31 billion in FY15 to \$ 133 billion in FY25. ■

## **CEILING PRICE OF 4 EMERGENCY USE MEDICINES, RETAIL PRICE OF 37 OTHERS CAPPED**

Govt has fixed the ceiling price of formulations of four emergency-use medicines and fixed retail price of 37 other drug formulations, including antibiotics and painkillers, of certain companies.

The emergency-use medicines include Ipratropium, used to prevent wheezing, shortness of breath, coughing and chest tightness in people with chronic obstructive pulmonary disease.

Its ceiling price was fixed at Rs 2.96 per ml. For Sodium Nitroprusside, an injectable used to rapidly lower BP in hypertensive emergencies, during surgery to reduce bleeding, and in cases of acute heart failure, it was fixed at Rs 28.99 per ml; for Diltiazem, used to treat high BP and chest pain, it was fixed at Rs 26.72 per capsule; and for Povidone Iodine, used for skin disinfection before and after surgery and minor wound care, it was fixed at Rs 6.26 per gram.

"Manufacturers selling branded or generic or both versions of the medicines at a price higher than ceiling price (plus GST) shall revise the prices downward not exceeding the ceiling price...", National Pharmaceutical Pricing Authority (NPPA) said. ■

## **OVER 99 LAKH FOREIGN TOURISTS ARRIVED IN INDIA IN 2024: CENTRE INFORMS RAJYA SABHA**

Over 99 lakh foreign tourists visited India, while over 3 crore Indians travelled abroad in 2024, the government informed Rajya Sabha on 7 August 2025.

In a written reply in Rajya Sabha, Union Minister for Tourism and Culture Gajendra Singh Shekhawat stated that the number of foreign tourist arrivals stood at 99,51,722.

In 2023, the number stood at 95,20,928 while 64,37,467 foreign tourists arrived in the country. The highest number of foreign tourists arrived from the United States (18,04,586). This was followed by Bangladesh (17,50,165), and in third place was the United Kingdom (10,22,587).

The government also informed that more than 77 lakh Indian nationals visited the UAE in 2024. 34,23,711 Indian nationals visited Saudi Arabia while 21,43,909 Indian nationals visited the US. The data was provided by the Bureau of Immigration, as noted in the official statement by the Ministry of Tourism. ■



**PM MODI INAUGURATES KARTAVYA BHAVAN IN NEW DELHI**

## **KARTAVYA BHAVAN WILL GUIDE THE POLICIES AND DIRECTION OF A DEVELOPED INDIA: PM**

**Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated the newly built 'Kartavya Bhavan' at Kartavya Path in New Delhi on 06 August 2025. This marks a major milestone in the Government's commitment to the Prime Minister's vision of modern, efficient, and citizen-centric governance. Shri Modi also planted a sapling in the premises of Kartavya Bhavan on this occasion. He extended congratulations to all citizens on the inauguration of Kartavya Bhavan and also expressed gratitude to the engineers and Shramjeevis involved in its construction**

The Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed the inauguration program of Kartavya Bhavan-3 at Kartavya Path, New Delhi. Speaking on the occasion, he remarked that August, the month of revolution, has brought yet another historic milestone ahead of 15th August. He highlighted that India is witnessing, one after the other, key achievements associated with the making of a modern India. Referring to New Delhi, Shri Modi listed recent infrastructural landmarks: Kartavya Path, the new Parliament Building, the new Defence Offices Complex, Bharat Mandapam, Yashobhoomi, the National War Memorial dedicated to the martyrs, and the statue of Netaji Subhash Chandra Bose and now the Kartavya Bhavan.

### **Annual rental costs alone is ₹1,500 crore**

Pointing out that various ministries of the Government of India currently operate from 50 different locations across Delhi, Shri Modi said that many of these ministries are functioning out of rented buildings. He underlined that the annual expenditure on rental costs alone is staggering—amounting to Rs. 1,500 crore. He noted that an estimated 8,000 to 10,000 employees travel daily between ministries, resulting in the movement of hundreds of vehicles, generating high expenditure and

increasing traffic congestion.

### **The vision of 'Vikas aur Virasat'**

Stating that when successful nations move forward, they do not abandon their positive legacy but preserve it, Shri Modi affirmed that India is advancing with the vision of 'Vikas aur Virasat'. Following the inauguration of new Kartavya Bhavans, the Prime Minister announced that the historic North and South Blocks will now be transformed into part of India's living legacy. These iconic buildings will be converted into public museums named "Yuge Yugeen Bharat Sangrahalaya," allowing every citizen to witness and experience India's rich civilizational journey, he said.

- Kartavya Bhavan reflects our unwavering commitment to public service.
- Kartavya Bhavan embodies the resolve to fulfil the nation's dreams.
- India is being shaped by a holistic vision, where progress reaches every region.
- Past 11 years, India has built a governance model that is transparent, responsive and citizen-centric.
- Together, let us make India the world's third-largest economy and script the success story of Make in India and Aatmanirbhar Bharat. ■



## OUR GOVERNMENT IS WORKING WITH FULL STRENGTH TO TRANSFORM THE LIVES OF FARMERS: PM MODI

Addressing a massive gathering in Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh on 02 August 2025, the Prime Minister, Shri Narendra Modi said, "Today I have come to Kashi for the first time after Operation Sindoor. When there was a terrorist attack in Pahalgam on April 22, 26 innocent people were killed so brutally, the pain of their families, the sorrow of those children, the pain of those daughters, my heart was filled with immense pain. Then I was praying to Baba Vishwanath to give courage to all the affected families to bear this sorrow. The promise I made to take revenge for the Sindoor of my daughters has also been fulfilled. This has been possible only with the blessings of Mahadev. I dedicate the success of Operation Sindoor at his feet"

Shri Narendra Modi said such opportunities in life give a lot of inspiration. The unity of the country awakens a new consciousness in every matter and that is why Operation Sindoor is successful. The unity of 140 crore countrymen became the strength of Operation Sindoor.

Operation Sindoor was that moment of valour of the soldiers and today is an opportunity to salute the farmers. Today a huge Kisan Utsav is being organised here. 21 thousand crore rupees have been sent to the accounts of 10 crore farmer brothers and sisters of the country in the form of PM Kisan Samman Nidhi.

### Development projects worth 2 thousand crores inaugurated

Today, development projects worth more than Rs 2 thousand crores have been inaugurated and foundation stones have been laid. With the blessings of Baba, the uninterrupted flow of development in Kashi is moving forward along with Maa Ganga. I congratulate all of you, the farmers of the country. Just a few days ago, the MP Tourist Guide Competition was also organised in Kashi. That is, skill development through competition, skill development through self-

effort, many experiments of this are happening in the land of Kashi today.

### Prosperity of farmers

Our government is continuously working for the prosperity of farmers. In the previous governments, it was difficult to fulfill even a single announcement made in the name of farmers. But the BJP government does what it says! Today, PM Kisan Samman Nidhi has become an example of the government's firm intentions.

### PM-Kisan Samman Nidhi started in 2019

You must remember, when PM-Kisan Samman Nidhi was started in 2019, what kind of rumours were anti-development people, anti-development parties like SP-Congress spreading? They were misleading people, confusing farmers, someone used to say, Modi may have brought the scheme, but the 2019 elections will be held, all this will stop, not only this, the money that Modi has deposited now, he will also withdraw that. What kind of lies do they tell? You tell me, was even a single installment ever stopped in all these years? PM Samman Kisan Nidhi is continuing without



## PM RELEASES 20TH INSTALMENT OF PM-KISAN TO 9.7 CRORE FARMERS FROM VARANASI

any break. Till date, 3.75 lakh crore rupees, have been sent to the accounts of farmers. It was deposited in the accounts of my farmer brothers and sisters.

### Pradhan Mantri Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana

Shri Narendra Modi said this month, the central government has approved another big scheme. Its name is- 'Pradhan Mantri Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana'. 24 thousand crore rupees will be spent on this scheme for the welfare of farmers, for the agricultural system, for agricultural development. Those districts of the country which lagged behind in the path of development due to the wrong policies of the previous governments, remained backward, where agricultural production is also decreasing, where the income of farmers is also low, those districts will be the focus of Pradhan Mantri Dhan-Dhanya Krishi Yojana. This will benefit lakhs of farmers of UP too.

### Women in agricultural economy

Our focus is also on increasing the participation of women in the agricultural economy. We are running the Lakhpatri Didi campaign. Our aim is to create three crore lakhpatri didis in the country, three crore lakhpatri didis. These SP people will run away with their bicycles after hearing these figures. Till now more than one and a half crore lakhpatri Didis have been created. Half the work of the target of 3 crore has been completed. One and a half crore of our sisters from poor families and farmers' working in villages, one and a half crore sisters have become lakhpatri didis, this is a great work

being done.

### Congress is constantly insulting valour of armed forces

Shri Modi said Congress is constantly insulting the valour of our armed forces. Congress has called Operation Sindoor a tamasha. You tell me, can sindoor ever be a tamasha? Can it be? Can anyone call sindoor a tamasha? The valour of our armed forces, and the audacity and shamelessness of calling it a farce in revenge for the sindoor of our sisters.

### SP gave clean chit to terrorists

Samajwadi Party is also not behind in this politics of vote bank and appeasement. SP leaders were saying in the parliament, why did you kill the terrorists of Pahalgam now?

Now tell me. Should I call them and ask? Should we wait to kill terrorists too? Should they be given a chance to escape? These are the same people who used to give clean chit to terrorists when they were in power in UP. The cases against terrorists who carried out bomb blasts were withdrawn. Now they are having problems when terrorists are killed. They are facing problems in the name of Operation Sindoor. I want to say this to these people from the land of Kashi. This is the new India. This new India worships Bholenath and also knows how to become Kalbhairav in front of the enemies of the country.

India's indigenous weapons, air defence systems, indigenous missiles, indigenous drones, have proved the strength of self-reliant India. Especially our Brahmos missiles, their terror has filled every enemy of India. ■

## 'SO FAR, 3.89 LAKH CRORE TRANSFERRED TO FARMERS UNDER PM-KISAN'

**P**M Shri Narendra Modi released the 20th installment of PM-KISAN— Rs. 20,500 crore to over 9.70 crore farmers. On this occasion, BJP Kisan Morcha National President Shri Rajkumar Chahar in Press Conference on 02 August 2025 extended heartfelt gratitude and appreciation on behalf of millions of farmers to Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi.

So far, a total of Rs. 3.89 lakh crore has been directly transferred to farmers' accounts under this scheme.

Shri Chahar stated that the scheme was launched on 1st February 2019 by the Prime Minister with the aim of addressing the financial needs of all farming families for the purchase of agricultural inputs, ensuring proper crop health and yields.

This support also contributes to fulfilling household needs. The scheme has played a significant role in making farmers financially stronger and helping them escape the debt trap. Special thanks for cabinet decisions in favour of farmers. ■



# NEP @5: LAYING THE FOUNDATION FOR VIKSIT BHARAT



**DHARMENDRA  
PRADHAN**

In 2020, India did more than release a policy, it rekindled an ancient ideal. With the National Education Policy, learning was once again placed at the heart of nation-building, drawing from our civilisational wisdom to shape the possibilities of the future. Framed through one of the most participatory policy-making processes in our nation's history and guided by the foresight of (Late) Dr. K. Kasturirangan, whose contribution we deeply honour, NEP 2020 was not merely a policy document. It was a visionary roadmap rooted in our cultural values, reimagining learning as a process free from the confines of rote memorisation, rigid structures, and linguistic hierarchies. It set the stage for an education system that is holistic, inclusive, and future-ready, an education that empowers every learner to thrive in a rapidly changing world.

Five years on, the NEP's transformational impact is visible not just in policy corridors but across classrooms, campuses, and communities. It has redefined both the structure and spirit of India's education system, holistic in approach, learner-centric in

design, and equitable in reach.

Today, NEP's imprint can be seen in early childhood classrooms where joyful, play-based learning is displacing rote memorisation; in schools where children read with fluency in their mother tongue; in vocational labs where Class 6 students explore hands-on skills; and in research hubs where India's knowledge systems engage in dialogue with cutting-edge

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science. It is reflected in the rise of women in STEM fields, in the growing global presence of Indian institutions, in inclusive classrooms that embrace diversity, and in the renewed belief that learning must be a lifelong pursuit.

Our foremost priority has been to rebuild the foundation of learning. The NIPUN Bharat Mission has been instrumental in bringing about a positive impact with significant improvement in learning outcomes by ensuring

that all children attain foundational literacy and numeracy by Grade 2 as envisioned in NEP 2020. NIPUN Bharat's success, reflected in ASER 2024 and the PARAKH Rashtriya Sarvekshan 2024, which has turned classrooms into spaces of curiosity and comprehension, not just compliance.

Initiatives like Vidya Pravesh and the institutionalisation of Balvatikas have laid a strong foundation for integrating early childhood care and education across the country.

Further supporting this is the development of new age textbooks and the introduction of Jaadui Pitara and e-Jaadui Pitara in 22 Indian languages. More than 14 lakh teachers have completed NISHTHA training, and platforms like DIKSHA have expanded access to high-quality teaching resources nationwide.

Equally foundational is the policy's focus on language. NEP recognised that language is not a hurdle but a powerful medium of empowerment. With 117 language primers developed and the introduction of Indian Sign Language as a subject, the vision of multilingual, inclusive education is being realised at scale. These efforts not only enhance cognitive skills but reinforce a child's cultural identity. Initiatives like the Bhartiya Bhasha Pustak Yojana and the National Digital Depository for Indian Knowledge Systems will further democratise access to

linguistic and civilisational learning.

Subsequently, the NEP has reimagined new curriculum and textbooks for igniting curiosity and critical thinking among students. The National Curriculum Framework for School Education (NCF-SE) and new textbooks for Grades 1–8 are already in place, promoting competency-based learning and integration across disciplines. The bridge programs for curriculum transition and experiential learning initiatives like Prerana are ensuring students are not overwhelmed, but supported through each phase.

With the vibrant efforts of centrally sponsored schemes like Samagra Shiksha and PM POSHAN, India has achieved near-universal enrolment, with GER reaching 91.7% at the elementary level, and steady gains at the secondary level. The focus now is on improving learning outcomes across all levels of school education.

The NEP's reach has also extended to previously underserved populations. More than 7.12 lakh girls from disadvantaged groups are enrolled in over 5,138 Kasturba Gandhi Balika Vidyalayas, over 490 hostels have been sanctioned for PVTG learners and 692 hostels under Dharti Aaba Janjatiya Gram Utkarsh Abhiyan (DAJGUA).

These efforts to expand equitable access and reduce dropouts reflect another defining achievement of NEP 2020, universal access to school education. With stronger infrastructure, inclusive programs like PRASHAST for disability screening, and new digital tools, the schooling system

is becoming more resilient and inclusive.

A key driver of this transformation is the establishment of 14,500 PM SHRI Schools. These modern, inclusive, and green institutions are being developed as exemplars schools aligned with the NEP vision, redefining infrastructure and pedagogy while catalyzing innovation and best practices in their regions.

To foster community engagement, the Vidyanjali platform has connected over 8.2 lakh schools with more than 5.3 lakh volunteers and 2000 CSR partners, directly

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benefiting 1.7 crore students. It is an extraordinary example of Jan Bhagidari, strengthening the learning ecosystem through shared responsibility.

In higher education, the transformation is no less profound. Total enrolment has risen from 3.42 crore to 4.46 crore, a 30.5% increase. Women now comprise nearly 48% of all students, and female PhD enrolment has more than doubled from 0.48 lakh to 1.12 lakh.

This expansion in enrolment, especially for SC, ST, OBC, and minority students, marks a historic

achievement for inclusivity in higher education. Female GER has surpassed male GER for six consecutive years, an inspiring testament to NEP's equity vision.

Parallel to this, the structural fabric of higher education has been reshaped. The introduction of Multiple Entry and Exit (MEME), the Academic Bank of Credits (ABC) with over 21.12 crore APAAR IDs issued, and the National Credit Framework (NCrF) have provided unprecedented flexibility and mobility. With 153 universities offering multiple entry and 74 offering multiple exit options, learning is no longer linear, it is modular, student-driven, and future-ready.

The operationalisation of these frameworks, MEME, ABC, and NCrF, has made India one of the few countries to support lifelong learning through such integrated digital academic systems.

NEP's emphasis on research and innovation has already yielded dividends. From improving India's Global Innovation Index rank from 81st to 39th, to incubating over 18,000 start-ups across 400 HEIs, our campuses are fast becoming innovation hubs. The Anusandhan NRF, revamped PMRF 2.0, and the Rs 6,000 crore One Nation One Subscription initiative further demonstrate our commitment to democratising and decentralising access to research.

Technology continues to be a driving force. Platforms like SWAYAM and SWAYAM Plus have collectively recorded over 5.3 crore enrolments, and with the support of initiatives like DIKSHA and PM E-Vidya with over 200 DTH



Channels, are making high-quality content available to learners across the country.

The success of India's digital learning ecosystem, including the roll-out of biannual admissions, dual degree regulations, has made higher education more inclusive, interdisciplinary, and industry-relevant.

India's rising academic standing is now reflected globally. In the QS World University Rankings 2026, 54 Indian institutions made the list, up from just 11 in 2014. Simultaneously, global universities like Deakin, Wollongong, and Southampton have set up campuses in India, a testament to our growing credibility and ambition.

This transformative journey is

being celebrated through the Akhil Bharatiya Shiksha Samagam, but more importantly, it is being measured in the quiet confidence of millions of learners, teachers, and parents. NEP 2020 was never an announcement. It is an unfolding renaissance, not marked by noise but by depth, not by speed but by scale.

Yet, we remain mindful of the road ahead. We must continue to green our campuses, expand critical research infrastructure, nurture talent in frontier technologies, and deepen learning outcomes in every district. Under the visionary leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, we have realised that education is not just policy, it is our greatest national investment, our moral compass,

and our collective promise to the future.

The flame that was lit in 2020 now lights up every corner of our education system. But its true purpose is to spark a million more, across homes, hearts, and horizons. Yatra vidya, tatra pragati, where there is learning, there is progress. A billion minds, unshackled and empowered, are not just a demographic dividend; they are the supernova of a new India.

This is Bharat's sankalp, unfolding each day in the luminous dreams of children who now believe they can soar high while staying rooted, and who will shape the destiny of a developed India. ■

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## BJP NATIONAL PRESIDENT MEETS WITH THE PRESIDENT OF PHILIPPINES IN NEW DELHI

As part of the Know BJP initiative, BJP National President and Union Minister Shri J.P. Nadda, met with the President of the Philippines, H.E. Ferdinand R. Marcos Jr., in New Delhi on 05 August 2025.

Welcoming President Marcos Jr., Shri Nadda noted the significance of the visit coinciding with the 75th anniversary of India-Philippines diplomatic relations. He welcomed the elevation of ties to a Strategic Partnership and the release of joint commemorative stamps, reflecting deepening cultural and diplomatic bonds.

Shri Nadda highlighted the

BJP's wide organizational reach and shared insights into its structure and outreach under the Know BJP initiative. He proposed a delegation exchange between the Federal Party of the Philippines

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(PFP) and the BJP to enhance mutual ties.

He also outlined key flagship initiatives under Prime Minister Narendra Modi's leadership, particularly in healthcare, social welfare, and foreign policy. Both leaders discussed opportunities for greater collaboration in health



and pharmaceuticals, where India is a major partner for the Philippines.

Shri Nadda was accompanied by Dr. Vijay Chauthaiwale, in-charge of the BJP's Foreign Affairs Department.

President H.E. Mr. Marcos is on a state visit to India on the invitation of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi. This marks the first visit of President Marcos to India since the assumption of office of the President of the Philippines. ■



# INDIA WILL BECOME AATMANIRBHAR WITH THE MANTRA OF 'SWADESHI'



SHIV PRAKASH

The 25 percent tariff imposed by the United States under the recent trade agreement with India is not only irrational, but also a direct attack on India's rural agricultural economy and its journey toward self-reliance. In this context, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's call for 'Swadeshi' and 'Aatmanirbhar Bharat' is no longer merely an emotional appeal — it is a strategic and necessary response. India's rural economy extends far beyond just farms and the dairy sector. It is a deeply rooted socio-economic framework encompassing small and marginal farmers, women-led self-help groups, cooperatives, and traditional production systems. Notably, 86 percent of Indian farmers are small or marginal, owning less than two hectares of land. Additionally, over eight crore rural households are engaged in the dairy sector, most of whom are women and landless farmers. This vast and sensitive population relies heavily on supportive government mechanisms such as the Minimum Support Price (MSP), subsidies, and customs duties. These safeguards are essential to protecting their livelihoods and sustaining the backbone of India's rural economy.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has reiterated his unwavering commitment to safeguarding the interests of India's agriculture and dairy sectors — the backbone of the rural economy. Preserving the existing tariff structure, strengthening local value chains, empowering Farmer Producer Organizations (FPOs), and expanding cold storage and processing infrastructure remain key priorities of the government. The government is fully dedicated to protecting rural livelihoods, ensuring economic empowerment of women, preserving nutritional security, and sustaining the rich

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diversity of traditional agriculture. Every policy and initiative reflect this deep commitment to holistic rural development.

In light of growing global uncertainties, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, during his visit to Kashi, invoked the powerful slogan of 'Swadeshi', appealing to the people of the nation to embrace indigenous solutions. Referring to Operation Sindoor, he highlighted how the world has witnessed the strength of India's indigenous weapon systems — a testament to

the country's growing self-reliance in the defence sector. Today, the global economy is marked by instability and apprehension. In response, nations around the world are prioritizing their national interests. In such a scenario, India too cannot afford to remain passive. As we advance towards becoming the world's third-largest economy, it is imperative that we stay vigilant in safeguarding our national interests, particularly in protecting the livelihoods of our farmers, small industries, and youth. To realize this ambitious goal, all political parties, intellectuals, and citizens must rise above partisan lines and unite in echoing the mantra of Swadeshi. It is time we wholeheartedly adopt and promote Swadeshi — not just as an emotion, but as a national strategy for economic resilience and self-reliance.

Over the last decade, India's economy has steadily climbed to new heights of progress. In 2013–2014, India ranked as the 11th largest economy in the world — today, it stands as the fourth largest and is rapidly advancing toward becoming the third. Our GDP growth rate stands at an impressive 6.4%, reflecting strong and consistent economic momentum. India's influence has expanded across key sectors, including defence, agriculture, and international trade. Our growing participation in the global market is a testament to this rising stature. Through robust welfare initiatives,

more than 24 crore people have risen above the poverty line, signalling a transformative shift in inclusive development. Significant strides have also been made in infrastructure, with basic amenities across the country now reaching world-class standards. Referring to the success of Operation Sindoor, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi remarked that while we worship 'Bholenath', when needed, we also assume the form of 'Kalbhairav' to protect the nation — underlining India's spiritual strength alongside its strategic resolve. As India's economic rise, robust security policies, and growing global influence take shape, it is also natural that some nations may view this progress with envy. Nonetheless, India remains focused on its path of self-reliance, resilience, and responsible global leadership.

The agricultural system in the United States is industrialized, heavily subsidized, and operates on a large scale. In contrast, India's agricultural sector is characterized by small landholdings and a predominantly rural population. Nearly 55% of India's population depends on agriculture for livelihood, most of whom reside in villages. Despite this, agriculture contributes only about 15% to India's GDP — a reflection of the sector's challenges, including its heavy reliance on unpredictable weather patterns.

India's labour-intensive, small-scale farming cannot be equated with America's mechanized, capital-intensive model. Therefore, expecting both nations to adhere to the same tariff standards, especially in sensitive sectors like agriculture and dairy, is unjust and impractical. India's agriculture is deeply interlinked with its broader economy — from textiles, food grains, and sugar to dairy and fisheries. Opening up these sectors indiscriminately to American imports, particularly dairy, would have damaging consequences. The influx of cheap American dairy products would severely impact local markets, pushing women's self-help groups, cooperatives like Amul, and small farmers into economic distress. Indian farm products could be forced to sell at unsustainably low prices, leading to widespread economic crisis, unemployment, migration, and rising discontent in rural areas. Over the last decade, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has introduced numerous policies aimed at strengthening agriculture and ensuring farmer welfare. The Union budget for agriculture has seen a fivefold increase — from Rs 21,933 crore in 2013–14 to Rs 1.25 lakh crore in 2023–24 — reflecting

the government's firm commitment to transforming the sector and securing the livelihoods of millions of farmers.

The cooperative sector plays a vital role in empowering women and strengthening the rural economy. Ensuring the welfare of farmers, safeguarding women's interests, protecting the dairy industry, nurturing rural livelihoods, and promoting cooperative institutions are not just policy goals — they are our national responsibilities. This clarion call has been given by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, underlining the government's unwavering commitment to inclusive and sustainable rural development.

Swadeshi is not merely a contemporary idea—it is the timeless proclamation of India's soul. It embodies the spirit of national unity, patriotism, and collective aspiration. Throughout history, the mantra of Swadeshi has emerged in various forms, echoing the resolve of the Indian people. Whether it was through the chant of Vande Mataram, the burning of foreign clothes, or the mass movement to overthrow British rule, Swadeshi has been the moral and strategic backbone of India's fight for dignity and self-rule.

Even during the nuclear tests under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Atal Bihari Vajpayee, when international sanctions were imposed on India, the nation responded with the spirit of Swadeshi. It was this unwavering self-belief that gave the world a resolute message: India will rise on its own terms.

Today, as we navigate a complex global landscape, the mantra of Swadeshi becomes all the more relevant. It inspires self-restraint, fosters self-reliance, and cautions against unnecessary dependence on foreign capital. Embracing Swadeshi will lead to the growth of our defence industry, a rise in agricultural productivity, and the expansion of labour-intensive industries. Simultaneously, the development of public services and core industries will strengthen the foundation of our economy.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi has urged the nation to embrace Swadeshi with conviction, not merely as a slogan, but as a guiding principle for nation-building. By adopting Swadeshi in our daily lives, we can re-establish India as an invincible force on the global stage. This is not just a call to action—it is the need of the hour. ■

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## **Union Home Minister performs Bhoomi Pujan for the comprehensive development of THE BIRTHPLACE OF MATA SITA IN BIHAR**

**U**nion Home and Cooperation Minister Shri Amit Shah performed the Bhoomi Pujan for the comprehensive development of Punaura Dham temple and complex, the birthplace of Mata Sita in Sitamarhi district of Bihar on 08 August 2025. Shri Amit Shah also flagged off the Amrit Bharat train from Sitamarhi to Delhi through video conferencing. Many dignitaries including Bihar Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar were present on this occasion.

In his address, Shri Amit Shah said that today, laying the foundation stone for the development of the Punaura Dham temple complex, the birthplace of Mata Janaki, is a very auspicious occasion not only for Sitamarhi, Mithila and Bihar but also for the entire country and the world. He said that Bihar Chief Minister Shri Nitish Kumar has done the work of developing the Punaura Dham temple and its entire complex at the birthplace of Sita Mata with crores of rupees. This is a matter of joy not only for the devotees of Mithila and Bihar but also for the entire country.

### **A grand temple will be built in Punaura Dham**

Shri Amit Shah added that the grand temple of Shaktiswarupa Jagatjanani Mata Janaki will be built in Punaura Dham in an area of more than 68 acres at a cost of approximately Rs 890 crore. He said that out of this, Rs 137 crore will be spent on the renovation of the existing temple of Mata Sita and Rs 728 crore will

be spent on the 'Parikrama Path' and other structures. He said that the life lessons from the life of Mata Sita and the stories of Ramayana will be told in the Parikrama Path, Dhyan Kendra Vatika, reconstruction of religious water sources, Dharamshalas, canteens, medical facilities and digital gallery. He said that through the 3D experience, our young generations will be able to see all the inspiring incidents from the life of Mata Janaki along with Shri Ram Chandra Ji.

### **Development work of Valmiki Nagar**

Shri Amit Shah said that this project will also include development work of Valmiki Nagar of Ramayana Circuit with Rs 52 crore, development of Pulhar in Madhubani with Rs 31 crore, Panth Pakar in Sitamarhi with Rs 24 crore, Ahilya spot with Rs 23 crore, Ram Reka Ghat with Rs 13 crore and Sita Kund in Munger Gaya with Rs 7 crore.

Shri Amit Shah said that the life story of Mata Sita will be dedicated to the women power of the country by reviving all the places from the first meeting of Mata Sita with Shri Ram to the birthplace of Luv-Kush, the last residing place of Mata Sita and Panth Pakar.

Shri Amit Shah said that the opposition has done nothing for the development of Mithila region except hooliganism providing protection to the mafia, kidnapping and ransom. He said that Prime Minister Modi Ji has given 83 thousand crore rupees for the development of Bihar in his last 6 visits. ■

# UNESCO HAS RECOGNIZED 12 MARATHA FORTS AS WORLD HERITAGE SITES: PM

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on 27th July in the 124th episode of Mann Ki Baat, touched upon India's remarkable achievements in science, sports, culture, and public participation. His address celebrated the spirit of innovation, heritage, self-reliance, and collective progress.

The Prime Minister began by expressing national pride at the successful return of astronaut Shubhanshu Shukla from space. His safe landing was an emotional and proud moment for the country. PM Modi recalled the enthusiasm generated by Chandrayaan-3's success in August 2023, which sparked scientific curiosity in children across India. He shared how children now aspire to become space scientists, a clear reflection of growing scientific temperament.

The INSPIRE-MANAK Abhiyan, which promotes innovation among school students, has seen participation double post-Chandrayaan. Under this program, five students per school submit innovative ideas. With over 200 space start-ups now operating in India—compared to fewer than 50 five years ago—the PM highlighted India's rising status in space entrepreneurship.

He also encouraged citizens to celebrate National Space Day on 23rd August creatively and to share their ideas through the NaMo App.

## Olympiads and Academic Brilliance

India's academic talents were also applauded. Four Indian students—Devesh Pankaj, Sandeep Kuchi, Debdukt Priyadarshi, and Ujjwal Kesari—won medals at the International Chemistry Olympiad. In the International Mathematical Olympiad held in Australia, Indian students secured 3 gold, 2 silver, and 1 bronze medal. India is also preparing to host the International Olympiad on Astronomy and Astrophysics in Mumbai, with participation from over 60 countries.

The Prime Minister stressed that India is progressing in both the Olympics and Olympiads, symbolizing holistic national development.



## UNESCO Recognition of Maratha Forts

PM Shri Narendra Modi proudly announced that UNESCO has recognized 12 Maratha forts as World Heritage Sites—11 in Maharashtra and 1 in Tamil Nadu. These forts, such as Salher, Shivneri, Pratapgargh, Raigad, Khanderi, and Vijaydurg, represent India's

rich history, resilience, and valor, especially under the leadership of Chhatrapati Shivaji Maharaj. The Prime Minister emphasized that each stone of these forts tells a story of bravery and sacrifice.

He also acknowledged other majestic forts across India, including Chittorgarh, Kumbhalgarh, Ranthambore, Amer, and Jaisalmer in Rajasthan, Gulbarga and Chitradurga in Karnataka, and Kalinjar, Jhansi, and Gwalior in Uttar Pradesh and Madhya Pradesh. He urged citizens to visit these historic sites and embrace the sense of national pride they inspire.

## Remembering Freedom Fighters

The PM paid tribute to Khudiram Bose, the young revolutionary hanged by the British at the age of 18. His fearlessness and sacrifice became a symbol of India's freedom struggle.

## August- a month of revolution

- 1st August – Death anniversary of Lokmanya Tilak
- 8th August – Start of the Quit India Movement
- 14th August – Partition Horrors Remembrance Day
- 15th August – Independence Day

## Handloom Success and Self-Reliant India

Referring to National Handloom Day on 7th August, the Prime Minister marked the 10th anniversary of its observance. Inspired by the Swadeshi Movement of 1905, today's handloom sector is witnessing a

## BJP National President listens to "Mann ki Baat" in New Delhi

# "Mann ki Baat" is not just a radio program, but has become a source of inspiration for nation-building: JP Nadda

BJP National President and Union Minister Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda listened to the 124th edition of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's popular program 'Mann Ki Baat' with BJP office bearers and Karyakartas at Defence Colony Mandal in New Delhi on 27 July 2025. On this occasion, BJP National Vice President Shri Baijayant Jai Panda, BJP National General Secretary Shri Vinod Tawde, and other leaders were present with him.



On this occasion, Shri Nadda said the program 'Mann Ki Baat' of the Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi ji is not just a radio program, but has become a source of inspiration for public communication and nation building. Shri Narendra Modi has shared with the people of the

country the scientific achievements of India, cultural heritage, memories of the freedom struggle, and the mantra of self-reliant India, like 'Vocal for Local'. While Shri Narendra Modi talked about the interest of the youth in science by mentioning Shubhanshu Shukla's space journey, he expressed pride in India's valour and culture by keeping before the country the announcement of the inclusion of 12 Maratha forts in the World Heritage List by UNESCO. Also,

the Prime Minister took the concept of Self-Reliant India to the people through inspirational stories related to indigenous clothes and the life story of fishermen of Gumla in Jharkhand.

The BJP National President said that the 11-year journey of 'Swachh Bharat Mission' and the participation of women, youth, and various sections of the society in it have proved that under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, Swachh Bharat is today paving the way for social change by becoming a mass movement. Shri Nadda called upon all the workers to spread the ideas expressed in 'Mann Ki Baat' to the people, increase public participation at the local level and become a part of the resolve to build a "Developed India". ■

renaissance.

### He shared the stories of:

- Kavita Dhawale from Maharashtra, who scaled up her Paithani saree business.
- 650 tribal women in Odisha who revived the Santhali saree.
- Naveen Kumar from Nalanda, Bihar, whose family has adapted modern techniques while preserving tradition.

With over 3,000 textile start-ups now operating, PM Modi underlined how the textile sector blends India's cultural identity with economic empowerment. He urged citizens to support the 'Vocal for Local' movement as a key pillar of Atmanirbhar Bharat.

### Preserving Manuscript Heritage

PM Modi lauded Mani Maran from Thanjavur,

Tamil Nadu, for his efforts to teach Tamil palm-leaf manuscript reading. His evening classes have attracted youth and researchers, who now study traditional medicine systems rooted in ancient texts.

To support such efforts, the government has launched the 'Gyan Bharatam Mission' to digitize ancient manuscripts and create a National Digital Repository, opening access to India's knowledge heritage for the world.

### 11 Years of Swachh Bharat Mission

PM Shri Narendra Modi celebrated 11 years of the Swachh Bharat Mission, noting its evolution into a mass movement. In the 2025 Swachh Survey, over 4,500 cities and 15 crore people participated.

He concluded by saying, "We will meet again next month with more achievements and inspirations of our countrymen." ■



## SHRI AMIT SHAH

becomes the **longest-serving**  
Union Home Minister in India's history

With 2,258 days in office, he has now surpassed  
Shri Lal Krishna Advani's tenure of 2,256 days as  
Home Minister.

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Home Minister, served for 1,218 days.

Union Home Minister Amit Shah's tenure has been  
marked by bold, historic decisions - from the  
abrogation of Article 370 to a firm crackdown on  
terrorism and strengthening of internal security

Prime Minister

**Shri Narendra Modi**

hailed Mr Shah's tenure at the  
NDA Parliamentary Party meeting.



## AMIT SHAH JI BECOMES THE LONGEST-SERVING UNION HOME MINISTER

Congratulations to Shri Amit Shah ji on becoming the longest-serving Union Home Minister in India's history. From the historic abrogation of Article 370 to an iron-clad stance against terrorism and decisive actions— his tenure has been marked by unwavering resolve and exemplary leadership. The nation wishes you continued success in building a Viksit Bharat. ■

## PARIKSHA PE CHARCHA SETS A WORLD RECORD Enters the Guinness World Records 2025

Pariksha Pe Charcha enters the #GuinnessWorldRecords2025 for the highest participation in a single month. Initiated under the leadership of Hon'ble PM @narendramodi, Pariksha Pe Charcha is much more than an annual event it's a nationwide movement that reimagines how students prepare for exams and approach challenges in life.

What began as a dialogue between the Prime Minister and students has transformed into a platform for building resilience, fostering innovation, and nurturing leadership. Today, it actively involves not just students but also parents and teachers in meaningful conversations about education and well-being.

From a one-time initiative to a collective mindset, Pariksha Pe Charcha continues to empower the next generation with confidence and clarity. ■



### My heartfelt gratitude to PM Modi for introducing this unique initiative: JP Nadda

Appreciating this unique initiative of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, BJP National President and Union Minister Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda in a social media post on August 04 said, "Hon'ble PM Shri @narendramodi ji's #ParikshaPeCharcha 2025 has been conferred with the Guinness World Record for the most registrations in a single month.

This one-of-a-kind platform gives students, parents and teachers a space to talk openly about exam stress and learning. It has truly transformed the way we see and approach examinations.

My heartfelt gratitude to PM Modi ji for introducing this unique and much-needed initiative that continues to empower and support young minds across the nation."



PM Shri Narendra Modi along with UP CM Yogi Adityanath and other senior leaders lays the foundation stone, inaugurates multiple development projects and releases the 20th instalment of PM-KISAN at Varanasi, Uttar Pradesh on August 02, 2025.



PM Shri Narendra Modi inaugurates the newly constructed Kartavya Bhavan at Kartavya Path and interacts with Shramjeevis in New Delhi on August 06, 2025.



PM Shri Narendra Modi meets the President of the Republic of Philippines, Mr. Ferdinand Romualdez Marcos Jr. at Hyderabad House in New Delhi on August 05, 2025.



PM Shri Narendra Modi at the inauguration of M.S. Swaminathan Centenary International Conference at ICAR PUSA in New Delhi on August 07, 2025.





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## World Economic Outlook Growth Projections

(Real GDP, annual percent change)	PROJECTIONS		
	2024	2025	2026
<b>World Output</b>	<b>3.3</b>	<b>3.0</b>	<b>3.1</b>
<b>Advanced Economies</b>	<b>1.8</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>1.6</b>
United States	2.8	1.9	2.0
Euro Area	0.9	1.0	1.2
Germany	-0.2	0.1	0.9
France	1.1	0.6	1.0
Italy	0.7	0.5	0.8
Spain	3.2	2.5	1.8
Japan	0.2	0.7	0.5
United Kingdom	1.1	1.2	1.4
Canada	1.6	1.6	1.9
Other Advanced Economies	2.2	1.6	2.1
<b>Emerging Market and Developing Economies</b>	<b>4.3</b>	<b>4.1</b>	<b>4.0</b>
<b>Emerging and Developing Asia</b>	<b>5.3</b>	<b>5.1</b>	<b>4.7</b>
China	5.0	4.8	4.2
India	6.5	6.4	6.4
Emerging and Developing Europe	3.5	1.8	2.2
Russia	4.3	0.9	1.0
Latin America and the Caribbean	2.4	2.2	2.4
Brazil	3.4	2.3	2.1
Mexico	1.4	0.2	1.4
Middle East and Central Asia	2.4	3.4	3.5
Saudi Arabia	2.0	3.6	3.9
Sub-Saharan Africa	4.0	4.0	4.3
Nigeria	3.4	3.4	3.2
South Africa	0.5	1.0	1.3
<b>Memorandum</b>			
Emerging Market and Middle-Income Economies	4.3	4.0	3.9
Low-Income Developing Countries	4.0	4.4	5.0

Source: IMF, World Economic Outlook Update, July 2025

Note: For India, data and forecasts are presented on a fiscal year basis, with FY 2024/25 (starting in April 2024) shown in the 2024 column. India's growth projections are 6.7 percent in 2025 and 6.4 percent in 2026 based on calendar year.



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