

PM Modi Urges BJP Workers to Focus on Social Reform

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): Urging BJP workers to focus on social reforms and positive changes rather than vote bank politics, Prime Minister Narendra Modi on Friday said that over the past 12 years, the gap between cities and villages in India has significantly narrowed and infrastructure in villages has improved to a great extent.

Virtually interacting with participants of 'Seva Yatra', an ongoing motorcycle rally travelling from Varanasi to Vadnagar, he said that self-reliance among women has also increased in the country. The Prime Minister said, "When we look at the life of Mahatma Gandhi, we see that alongside fighting against the British and leading the freedom movement, he was also a great



social reformer. He always worked against the evils prevalent in society. Therefore, we political workers too must continue working towards social reform and positive change, not look at vote banks. Those who serve society deserve to have their service respected."

He praised those who carried out the cleanliness work in Prayagraj, not-

ing that their efforts made the 'Kumbh Mela' famous worldwide for sanitation and elevated India's honour. "So, I felt compelled to wash the feet of those who have enhanced India's honour so much, to seek their blessings," the Prime Minister said. Modi said that the 'Seva Yatra' has played a very important role in his own life and there is hardly

any district in the country that he has not had the privilege of visiting.

"There are countless districts where I have had the opportunity to spend the night. Every journey and every experience gathered along the way continues to guide me like a guru even today. These journeys have taught me so much," he said. Vadnagar in Gujarat is the birthplace of Modi, while Varanasi in Uttar Pradesh is his Lok Sabha constituency since 2014. The two rallies - Vadnagar to Varanasi and Varanasi to Vadnagar - are passing through towns, districts, and villages to take the spirit of service directly to the grassroots. Modi said Vadnagar gave him the values that shaped his life, and Kashi (Varanasi) has added countless colours of service to those values.

Jaishankar: Global south voice will continue to matter

New York, Sept 25 (GNS): External Affairs Minister (EAM) S Jaishankar said on Friday that the voice of the Global South will continue to matter amidst geopolitical fragmentation, conflicts, climate change, economic uncertainty and technological disruption.

EAM Jaishankar made the remarks while participating in the discussion on 'Ruptures and Ramparts: Building Bridges for a Changing World'. Jamaica's Foreign Minister Kamina J Smith, Ghana's Foreign Minister Sam Okudzeto Ablakwa, Suriname's Foreign Minister Melvin Bouva and EastWest Center President Celeste Connors also participated in the discussion.

"We agreed that the UN remains indispensable, while recognising the need



for reform to reflect the aspirations and realities of the Global South. The voice of the Global South will continue to matter amidst geopolitical fragmentation, conflicts, climate change, economic uncertainty and technological disruption. The world will not be defined by binary choices. Countries will continue to make their choices based on interests, values and trust. Grateful to Samir Saran and the ORF America

Team for convening this timely conversation," EAM Jaishankar wrote on X after the meeting.

EAM Jaishankar is currently leading the Indian delegation at the 81st Session of the United Nations General Assembly (UNGA) in New York. On Thursday, he met Foreign Ministers Ronald Lamola of South Africa and Mauro Vieira of Brazil who jointly condemned the Pahalagam terrorist attack last year and reaffirmed their

commitment to zero tolerance for terrorism. The ministers of the three countries that form the IBSA Dialogue Forum met in New York on Thursday. In the joint statement, they called for a comprehensive United Nations Security Council (UNSC) reform to make it more democratic, representative, legitimate and reflective of contemporary realities.

They also said that the global economic governance system should have more effective, equitable and representative participation of developing and emerging economies.

"Participated in the IBSA Foreign Ministers' Meeting today with FM Ronald Lamola of South Africa and FM Mauro Vieira of Brazil. UNGA 81," EAM Jaishankar posted on X.

MoU Signed For Establishing Satellite Campus Of IIM Jammu In Leh

Jammu, Sept 25 (GNS): The Indian Institute of Management (IIM) Jammu and the Ladakh administration on Friday signed a memorandum of understanding (MoU) for establishing the institute's satellite campus at Leh. The MoU to expand access to quality management education for students in the Union Territory was signed in the presence of Ladakh Lieutenant Governor V.K. Saxena.

Officials said the satellite campus will offer a four-year BBA (Honours) programme with an initial intake of 60 students. The programme is scheduled to commence in October, officials said. More than 600 candidates have ex-



pressed interest for the 60 available seats. The campus infrastructure was prepared within two months of finalising the plan.

Other existing institutions of higher education in Ladakh region include the University of Ladakh was the first-ever cluster and trans-Himalayan university in the region, established in 2019 with campuses in both Leh and Kargil, offering under-

graduate, postgraduate, and doctoral programmes. Sindhu Central University is a public Central University established to expand access to higher education and specialised research in the Union Territory. Central Institute of Buddhist Studies (CIBS): Located in Choglamsar, Leh, operates as a deemed university focusing on Buddhist philosophy, arts, and Himalayan studies.

SC upholds Bombay HC view that 'Dua' for poll victory is not religious Appeal

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): The Supreme Court has upheld the Bombay High Court's view that offering 'Dua' (prayer) for electoral success does not, by itself, amount to undue influence or soliciting votes in the name of religion, while dismissing an appeal challenging the election of AIMIM's Mufti Mohammad Ismail Abdul Khalique from Maharashtra's Malegaon Central Assembly constituency.

A Bench of Justices Vikram Nath, Augustine George Masih and Sandeep Mehta dismissed the appeal filed by Samajwadi Party candidate Shaan-e-Hind Nihal Ahmed against the Bombay High Court's judgment upholding Mufti



Ismail's election. The controversy before the High Court centred, among other allegations, on instances where Mufti Ismail allegedly offered 'Dua' for his electoral success during prayers and campaign meetings. The election petitioner had alleged that when people attending such gatherings responded with "Amen" to the prayers, it amounted to a collective pledge to vote

for Mufti Ismail. The Bombay High Court rejected the contention, holding that saying "Amen" in response to a prayer could not be equated with making a formal pledge to vote.

"By saying Amen, the person can be said to have agreed with or seconded the prayer for the electoral success of the Respondent No.1 (Mufti Ismail). However, saying Amen is materially distinct from making the pledge, which is in the nature of a formal promise or undertaking," it had held. It further held that a prayer for electoral success did not amount to soliciting votes on the ground of the candidate's religion or prejudicing the prospects of a rival candidate on that basis.

India, France double down on power sector cooperation

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): India and France discussed deployment of EPR technology, India's regulatory reforms for the nuclear sector, cooperation on pumped hydro storage projects, and the way forward for a robust, mutually beneficial partnership, an official statement said on Friday.

The meeting by Pankaj Agarwal, Secretary, Ministry of Power, and Bernard Fontana, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, EDF, France, reviewed the ongoing engagement between India and EDF on the proposed deployment of EPR reactors in India.

According to the official statement, EDF apprised the Indian side of its efforts to build an ecosystem and

supply chain in India for large-scale localisation, and reiterated that a sizeable programme with multiple nuclear reactors would give suppliers confidence and enable economies of scale by leveraging Indian industry's capabilities.

Agarwal briefed the French side on the progress made in finalising India's regulatory framework for the nuclear power sector, including the Draft SHANTI (Sustainable Harnessing and Advancement of Nuclear Energy for Transforming India) Rules and Regulations. These rules provide for a streamlined, time-bound licensing framework and enable participation of private and foreign partners in India's nuclear power programme.

Many internal forces working to weaken growth, defame institutions: BJP on CJP's ultimatum to poll panel

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): Leader of the Opposition (LoP) in Jammu and Kashmir Assembly Sunil Sharma, reacting to Cockroach Janta Party (CJP)'s ultimatum to CEC Gyanesh Kumar on "either resign within 48 hours or face protests", said on Friday that many forces in the country are working against its growth and are trying to weaken the constitutional institutions. "We heard CJP's ultimatum. This is a newly formed party, and I cannot say yet what their expectations or goals are. But the direction in which they have started doing politics raises questions, because there is a history here," he said, speaking to newsmen.

In the aftermath of CJP founder Abhijeet Dipke's Thursday press conference with his peers, spokespersons Saurav Das and Ashutosh Ranka, "Whether in name of secularism or the way



the Communists expanded their political ground here, could they also be moving in the same direction?" he asked.

"Our nation is growing at fast speed. Many powers are at play, working to reduce the pace of the 'Viksit Bharat'. Owing to these powers, many tools are growing that are working against the nation, we have to counter these forces too," he said. "When the youth of the nation, using some external force, try to de-

bilitate or defame constitutional institutions, somehow it affects their future, as well as it affects the nation's future. We should come together for the growth of the nation," he added. BJP MP Ghulam Ali Khatana, reacting to CJP's statement on CEC Gyanesh Kumar, said, "India is a very large democratic country. Everyone has the right to protest and put forward their views. Under the leadership of Narendra Modi, democratic institutions

and people's rights have been strengthened and empowered." West Bengal Minister Dilip Ghosh said, "Every 4 to 6 months they bring out a new issue which is against the institutions of the country or against the country somehow. This is nothing but a publicity stunt. The public is slowly realising these issues. They are trying to defame the country's institutions."

He added that first came the Gen Z protests, and now CEC Gyanesh Kumar is being defamed. "These are conspiracies against the nation. Some elements do not have a sense of the nation, and they just get on the streets to create chaos," Ghosh said. BJP MLA Vikram Randhawa said, "Their cause is baseless. Moreover, Congress has no real agenda; that's why they push agendas when there are none."



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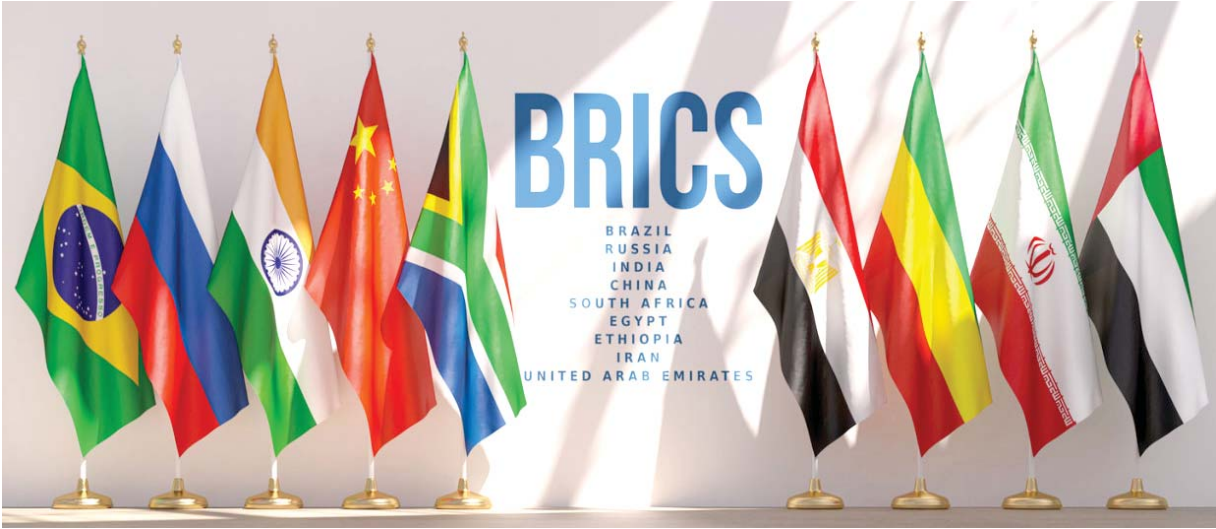
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How BRICS Gives India Strategic Options

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Trade in today's world is no longer a neutral economic tool. It has become a strategic weapon. Washington has increasingly used tariffs to advance political goals, including against partners it publicly calls allies. India experienced this first hand in 2019 when the United States removed it from the Generalized System of Preferences, a program that had allowed duty-free access for nearly \$6.3 billion worth of Indian exports, affecting sectors such as leather, engineering goods and textiles. The Indian Commerce Ministry estimated the direct annual loss to exporters at around \$190 million. The move was framed as a market access issue but its political intent was clear. Align with U.S. trade demands or face consequences.

That approach has since hardened, with steel and aluminium tariffs remaining in place and repeated threats emerging against Indian pharmaceutical and IT services exports. Trade pressure has become a routine instrument of American diplomacy. New Delhi responded with restraint, entering negotiations and offering limited concessions, yet the structural imbalance persisted. Washington retained leverage while India remained largely on the defensive. This is where BRICS matters. BRICS today is no symbolic forum. With the expansion of membership, the bloc now accounts for a significantly large share of the global economy, represent-



ing an estimated 39-40 percent of global GDP in purchasing power parity terms according to IMF projections of world GDP share. India's trade with BRICS members crossed an estimated \$380 billion in 2023, with China accounting for the largest share but also with steady commerce growth with Brazil, Russia, and South Africa. Energy ties have deepened sharply. India imports more than 85 percent of its crude oil requirements, and Russia has remained a major supplier, accounting for roughly a third to nearly 40 percent of India's total crude imports in recent years according to trade analytics. Payment systems outside the dollar framework have quietly expanded. Every transaction outside the dollar reduces exposure to U.S. financial pressure.

Zongyuan Zoe Liu from the Council on Foreign Relations notes that reducing reliance on the dollar is about lowering vulnerability to financial coercion rather than replacing the dollar itself. BRICS is build-

ing parallel financial channels. India should play a central role in this process. The BRICS New Development Bank has already approved more than \$35 billion in financing. Over 30 percent of its lending now happens in local currencies, reducing reliance on dominant global financial systems that are tied to U.S. monetary policy. Former Reserve Bank of India Governor Raghuram Rajan has warned that global trade is deeply intertwined with geopolitics, affirming that economic policy cannot be separated from strategic power considerations. India must adapt to this reality. Washington understands the implications. When BRICS discussed alternatives to existing settlement mechanisms, U.S. officials publicly downplayed the idea, yet concern remained in policy circles. The dollar's influence is anchored in limited alternatives; BRICS is creating those alternatives step by step.

New Delhi has moved carefully, with strategic

ties with the U.S. growing through defense cooperation and the QUAD framework while BRICS membership has continued in parallel. Such caution is understandable, yet prolonged restraint carries a cost. Each time India steps back from BRICS exercises and initiatives, it weakens its own bargaining position. Strategic autonomy is built through choices. Professor Harsh Pant from King's College London argues that India's leverage with the U.S. depends on demonstrating independent policy decisions; BRICS offers that space.

We saw how leverage works during the steel tariff episode when India imposed retaliatory duties on 28 U.S. products worth \$1.4 billion, including almonds, apples, and walnuts from California. American farm lobbies reacted quickly, followed by pressure from Congress, showing how economic countermeasures can generate political impact and influence negotiations. A coordinat-

ed BRICS economic push could work in a similar way through local currency settlements, preferential trade agreements, energy cooperation, and development financing. Each step would gradually reduce U.S. economic dominance without direct confrontation.

Former U.S. Secretary of State Henry Kissinger once observed that control over energy, money, and food defines power. BRICS is steadily building influence across all three areas. India must clarify its approach, maintaining engagement with the U.S. while asserting its autonomy rather than accepting a subordinate position. Active participation in BRICS sends a clear message that India has multiple strategic options and intends to engage from a position of confidence. This approach focuses on building economic and diplomatic buffers that protect national interests. In a world where trade pressure can appear overnight, India requires reliable safeguards and BRICS offers that support.

Budget- 2026 ticks all boxes

The Union budget 2026 is Finance Minister, Nirmala Sitaraman's ninth straight budget. It was expected that given the stalled trade deal with the US and high tariffs imposed by the US, the budget would be reform light and focus for the most part on consolidation. However, in the typically Sitaraman style, she has smartly chosen to throw reforms, growth and fiscal consolidation- all together- in the mix. The budget marks a departure from the pervious year when it got loud cheers from the middle class on account of tax breaks. This year it has sought to focus on production part of the economy- incentivising manufacturing through exemption of custom duties on imports of electronic components, earmarking of funds for new age sectors, energising MSMEs, new critical minerals corridors, staying the course on infra development and easing the compliance burden for the businesses. The budget is guided by the mantra of self reliance that this govt holds so dear. It is not populist in the sense that it expands subsidies or offers tax breaks. But it is pragmatic.

Fiscal prudence has not been jettisoned given that higher debt gdp ratio and fiscal deficit would have raised the cost of borrowings. Fiscal deficit for BE 2026-27 is projected to come down to 4.3% from 4.4 % for the current year. Contrast this also with FD of 6.5% in 2022-23. Also, debt to gdp ratio is also projected to come down to 55.6 in 2026-27 from 56.1 in the last year.

Public capex on the other hand is on the rise and has increased manifold from Rs2 lakh crore in FY14-15 to an allocation of Rs 11.2 lakh crore in BE 2025-26. More than 10 lakh cr were spent under capex in the current year. In FY2026-27, it is pegged at Rs 12.2 lakh crore, which marks 8.9% increase over the current fiscal.

When spends rise, it is difficult to control deficits and ensure debt sustainability. But it appears that this difficult balance has been struck just fine. This will help improve investors' confidence in the economy and come in handy for rating assessments. As was expected after Op Sindoor, Ministry of Defence has been allocated an all-time high allocation of Rs 7.85 lakh crore in 2026-27- 15% rise over BEs of FY 2025-26. A record sum of Rs 2.19 lakh crore has been allocated under Capital Head; it's a quantum leap of 24% in the Capital Acquisition budget. Disinvestment target of Rs 80000 has been set under miscellaneous capita receipts (MCR) for 2026-27 up from Rs 34000 in REs for this year. In 2025-26, the govt had budgeted Rs 45000 under MCR, but as collections lagged, REs were revised down to Rs 34000. Actual receipts in 2024-25 were even lower at Rs 20214 cr. Given the historical trends, the projections look far too rosy and may have to be rolled back. As regards new initiatives, Rs 10000 cr under SME growth fund, Rs 40,000 cr for electronics manufacturing scheme and Rs 10000 cr for container manufacturing scheme will provide much needed impetus to the above sectors. MSMEs provide maximum employment in the country. Therefore, they can't be ignored; and hence additional Rs 2000 cr to self reliant India fund to ensure access to risk capital will render resilience to MSMEs in the current climate of tariff induced uncertainty. The signing of Indo-EU deal recently is going to provide textile and apparel manufacturers in this country a great opportunity to tap EU markets as the EU lowers tariffs on them at par with Bangladesh and Pakistan. Injection of new dynamism in the sector was necessary and this budget has done that through a range of schemes like national fibre scheme, textile expansion and employment scheme, mega textile parks and Mahatma Gandhi Gram Swaraj initiative.

The rare earth export curbs imposed by China had threatened to hit auto and mobile industry in India until a measure of détente was finally achieved with China reportedly following assurance of provision of end user certification by New Delhi. However, weaponisation of interdependencies by China has left no one in doubt that dependence on another nation beyond a point is suicidal. FM's announcement to set up dedicated rare earth corridors in states like Odisha, Kerala, AP and TN to promote mining and processing of rare earths will help India carve out an independent path in this sector. Although efforts are already ongoing in this direction, a dedicated budget allocation will help institutionalise the country's approach to the sector. Since there is a thrust only on high value agriculture like coconut, sandalwood, cocoa and cashew in the budget, there is a view that this sector has not received the attention it deserves. Govt is wary of putting large moneys into traditional agri sector given the existing productive and marketing inefficiencies unless structural agri reforms are first done. Its experience with farm laws appears to have informed its approach in the sector.

To boost manufacturing it was necessary to exempt custom duty on import of components that go into a raft of finished products from electronic items to aircrafts etc. In that direction, exemption of basic custom duty on import of components for processing of critical minerals, aircrafts, microwave oven etc is a right step, but more products should have been allowed this benefit.

It has long been thought that rich municipal bodies like BMC, Pimpri- ChinchwadPimpri etc. should start raising finance through municipal bonds for provision of municipal services. They are rich corporations and can service debts without being assisted by the govt. To this end, Rs 100 cr incentive for a single bond issuance of more than Rs 1000 cr to encourage issuance of municipal bonds by large cities is expected to change revenue raising pattern of the big cities' corporations. Corporate bond market in India is still in infancy. Thus, FM should have spelled out explicitly what she wants to do beyond improving market making mechanisms. May be the connected Ministry will follow up on the FM's announcement on corporate bond markets. Continued thrust on infrastructure is the way to go and towards that end, development of seven high speed rail corridors between important cities in southern, central, western and eastern India will bring about ease of living much in the same way the development of city economic regions through an allocation of Rs 5000 cr over five years per city economic regions is expected to improve our burgeoning economic centres.

Industrialisation has long suffered from logistical inefficiencies in our hinterland due to massive gaps in transport infra. A new dedicated freight corridor between Dakuni in the east to Surat in the west is, thus, expected to address these very inefficiencies in the country. By and large the budget ticks all the boxes of fiscal prudence and the nation's quest for growth underpinned on reforms with a long range vision for Viksit Bharat in 2047 at its heart. But Indian tier 1 and 2 cities are crying for decongestion and more amenities for ease of living. Smart city scheme, therefore, needs to be relooked and more resource allocation made for aligning the civic infra in the cities with the modern day requirements. It is hoped that FC recommendations would have looked at that. AI, quantum computing, machine learning etc. does not appear to have been dealt with in greater detail; they are the new age technologies and multi- year investment plans in these sectors should have been spelled out along with a clear delineation of fiscal responsibilities of the free enterprise. In this age of deep tech, India can't be seen to be taking baby steps in the sector which will change the current century beyond recognition.

Securing the future: How economic stability shapes progress

Mohammad Hanief

Economic stability forms the foundation of national prosperity, influencing the well-being of citizens, the growth of businesses, and the strength of governments. It represents a condition in which an economy experiences steady growth, manageable inflation, predictable employment, and minimal fluctuations in financial markets. While often discussed in technical terms, its impact is tangible, affecting household incomes, investment decisions, and the capacity of governments to deliver essential services.

A stable economy is characterized by consistent growth in output, controlled inflation, and low unemployment. Such conditions provide confidence to investors, entrepreneurs, and consumers, encouraging economic activity and long-term planning. Conversely, instability, marked by sudden inflation, high unemployment, or financial turbulence, erodes trust, reduces investments, and threatens sustainable development. Governments and central banks play critical roles in achieving stability through careful monetary and fiscal policies. Interest rates, money supply, taxation, and government spending are all tools used to balance growth with stability, and their coordination is essential to prevent economic disruption.

Economic stability is significant not only for mac-



roeconomic indicators but also for everyday life. For households, it ensures predictable prices for goods and services, preserving purchasing power and reducing financial stress. Families can plan for education, healthcare, and savings when the economy is stable, knowing that wages and the cost of living will not fluctuate unpredictably. Businesses benefit from an environment in which investment and expansion decisions can be made with confidence, fostering innovation and job creation. Stable economies also attract domestic and foreign investors, providing capital that fuels further growth. Governments, in turn, are better positioned to plan social programs, fund infrastructure projects, and deliver essential services

when revenue streams are reliable. Instability, however, can force sudden budget adjustments, cutbacks in social welfare, and an overall decline in public trust.

Historical examples underscore the consequences of economic instability. Global crises, such as the Great Depression in the 1930s and the financial collapse of 2008, reveal how disruptions can ripple through economies, causing unemployment, poverty, and social unrest. In contrast, nations that maintain strong institutional frameworks, prudent fiscal policies, and adaptive monetary strategies often achieve long-term stability and growth. Post-World War II Germany, for instance, rebuilt its economy through careful planning, currency stabilization, and strategic

investment, while countries like Singapore and Switzerland have leveraged consistent policies to attract global investments and foster innovation. These examples highlight that stability is not simply a matter of chance; it is the result of long-term planning, disciplined governance, and social cohesion.

Today, the global economy faces unprecedented challenges that test stability in every corner of the world. Inflationary pressures, supply chain disruptions, geopolitical tensions, and climate change have created an environment of uncertainty. The COVID-19 pandemic demonstrated how rapidly economic stability can be threatened, with contractions in growth, surges in unemployment, and widening fiscal deficits. Emerging economies,

in particular, struggle with rapid population growth, urbanization, and dependence on commodities, making them vulnerable to external shocks. For countries dependent on exports of oil, gas, or agricultural products, fluctuations in global markets can lead to sudden fiscal shortfalls and economic instability. Advanced economies face challenges in managing debt and supporting aging populations, which affect productivity and social welfare systems. These complex realities require a careful balance between short-term interventions and long-term structural reforms.

Maintaining economic stability requires continuous, coordinated action. Monetary policies must balance growth with inflation control, while fiscal discipline ensures sustainable government spending and debt management. Diversification of the economy reduces reliance on a single sector or commodity, while investment in infrastructure, education, and healthcare strengthens resilience. Social policies that promote inclusion and reduce inequality further contribute to long-term stability by fostering trust and cohesion among citizens. Ensuring access to quality education and healthcare empowers the workforce, while investments in modern infrastructure and technology support competitiveness in global markets.

India Must Lead with Indigenous, Evidence-Based Healthcare Solutions, Not Merely Replicate Global Models: Union Health Minister

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): Union Minister for Health & Family Welfare, Shri Jagat Prakash Nadda, today formally released the “Lung Cancer Treatment and Palliation: Evidence-Based Guidelines” document at Kartavya Bhavan, New Delhi, on the eve of World Cancer Day.

The guidelines aim to provide a standardized, evidence-based framework for the diagnosis, treatment, and palliative care of lung cancer patients across the country, ensuring high-quality, accessible, and patient-centric care. Developed by leading experts and stakeholders in oncology, the document seeks to strengthen clinical

decision-making, promote best practices, and reduce variations in treatment outcomes. Congratulating the Department of Health Research (DHR), Directorate General of Health Services (DGHS), and partner institutions, Nadda lauded their collaborative efforts in developing India's first nationally developed evidence-based cancer guideline. He noted that the guidelines would play a critical role in standardizing clinical practices, strengthening decision-making, and ensuring high-quality, patient-centric cancer care across the country.

Nadda also stated that the release of the Lung Cancer



Treatment and Palliation: Evidence-Based Guidelines marks a strong national resolve to combat cancer through science, compassion, and leadership. He congratulated the Depart-

ment of Health Research, Directorate General of Health Services, and the Ministry of Health & Family Welfare, along with all partner institutions, for their dedicated efforts in developing these

landmark national guidelines. The Union Minister emphasized that early detection remains one of the biggest challenges in Lung cancer management, and stressed

the need to strengthen preventive and screening strategies, particularly among high-risk populations. He reiterated the Government's firm commitment to expanding research, innovation,

and scientific collaboration to improve early diagnosis, treatment outcomes, and long-term survivorship. Highlighting the significance of evidence-based policymaking, Shri Nadda stated that India must not merely replicate international models, but lead with indigenous, context-specific solutions. He underlined that these Guidelines reflect India's leadership in developing its own evidence-based frameworks, suited to the country's healthcare realities, disease burden, and resource settings, rather than relying solely on European or Western clinical protocols. The Union Health

Minister further noted that evidence-based guidelines enhance the validity, credibility, and authenticity of clinical decision-making, ensuring consistent, high-quality, and patient-centric care across public and private healthcare systems. He also emphasised the need to invest in health research and strengthen capacity building. Reaffirming the Government's unwavering resolve, Shri Nadda stated that India's fight against cancer will be guided by scientific rigor, compassionate care, and inclusive healthcare delivery, ensuring that no patient is left behind.

Budget 2026–27 Gives New Momentum to Startups and Women-Led Entrepreneurship, Says Dr Jitendra Singh

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): Addressing the Annual Atal Innovation Incubator Conclave "AIM SUMVAAD", here today Union Minister of State (Independent Charge) for Science & Technology and Earth Sciences, and Minister of State for PMO, Department of Atomic Energy, Department of Space, Personnel, Public Grievances and Pensions, Dr Jitendra Singh linked the "Atal Innovation Mission" with the Modi Government's thrust on innovation led growth and scalable StartUps. In this context, he also mentioned the Budget 2026 focus on "ease of doing business".

The Minister said that the Union Budget 2026–27 pro-

vides a strong push to India's startup and entrepreneurship ecosystem, with special emphasis on incubation, innovation, and women-led economic participation. He said the introduction of new enabling frameworks for startups, biomanufacturing and the concept of Self-Help Entrepreneurs among women reflects the government's evolving approach towards inclusive and sustainable economic growth.

Dr. Jitendra Singh was delivering the keynote address at AIM SUMVAAD, the Annual Atal Innovation Mission (AIM) Incubator Conclave, held at Bhim Auditorium, Dr. Ambedkar Internation-

al Centre, New Delhi. The conclave is the flagship annual platform of the Atal Innovation Mission, bringing together over 150 Atal Incubation Centres and Atal Community Innovation Centres from across the country, along with policymakers, industry leaders, CSR heads, mentors, and ecosystem stakeholders to deliberate on strengthening India's innovation and incubation landscape. The inaugural session was attended by Shri Suman Bery, Vice Chairman, NITI Aayog; Prof. Ajay Sood, Principal Scientific Adviser to the Government of India; Shri B. V. R. Subrahmanyam, CEO, NITI Aayog; Dr. Rajesh

S. Gokhale, Secretary, Department of Biotechnology; Ms. Angela Lusigi, Resident Representative, UNDP India; and Shri Deepak Bagla, Mission Director, Atal Innovation Mission, among others.

Speaking on the evolution of India's innovation ecosystem, the Minister said the idea of structured innovation received decisive political support after 2014, enabling large-scale initiatives such as Atal Tinkering Labs and start-up-focused policy interventions. He said nearly 50,000 Atal Tinkering Labs are now operational, ensuring widespread access to innovation infrastructure across districts, including smaller towns and

rural regions. He added that the growing participation of schools and non-government stakeholders reflects a deep-rooted change in mindset towards innovation. Dr. Jitendra Singh said India's startup journey has expanded rapidly from a few hundred startups a decade ago to over two lakh startups today, creating large-scale employment and offering alternatives to conventional salaried livelihoods. He said this shift has helped young Indians view entrepreneurship as a credible and aspirational career path.

Referring to the Union Budget 2026–27, the Minister said initiatives such as

the Biomanufacturing Shakti Mission align closely with India's strengths in biotechnology, biopharma, natural resources, and human capital. He said India is already among the leading global players in biomanufacturing, and upcoming focus areas including deep-sea resources, ocean economy and Himalayan bio-resources further expand the country's innovation horizon.

The Minister also spoke about the National Incubator Assessment Framework, describing it as a centralized digital platform that brings together data and performance insights of incubators across the country.

CM, Union Minister Review Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari in Gujarat

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): A video conference was held to review the progress of various districts of Gujarat under Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari, co-chaired by the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat Bhupendrabhai Patel and the Hon'ble Union Minister of Jal Shakti C. R. Patil, with all District Collectors of the State of Gujarat.

The review meeting was convened in the context of Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari, which was launched on 6th September 2024 from Surat, Gujarat, in the virtual presence of the Hon'ble Prime Minister of India Narendra Modi,

with the objective of transforming Jal Sanchay into a Jan Andolan through Jan Bhagidari, in line with the Prime Minister's vision of “catch the rain where it falls, when it falls.”

Senior officials present in the meeting included V. L. Kantha Rao, Secretary, Department of Water Resources, River Development and Ganga Rejuvenation; Manoj Kumar Das, Chief Secretary, Government of Gujarat; and other senior officials from the Ministry of Jal Shakti and the Govt of Gujarat.

Addressing the meeting, the Hon'ble Chief Minister of Gujarat reiterated that the Government of Gujarat is fully committed to the successful implementation of Jal Sanchay Jan Bhagidari and is already actively engaged in its execution across the State. He high-

Paradip Port Authority Wins First Prize at Swachhata Pakhwada Awards 2025

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): Paradip Port Authority (PPA) has been awarded the First Prize at the Swachhata Pakhwada Awards 2025, instituted by the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways (MoPSW), in recognition of its outstanding performance in cleanliness, sustainability, and community participation.

The award was presented by Hon'ble Union Minister of Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Shri Sarbananda Sonowal, with Hon'ble Minister of State, Shri Shantanu Thakur and Shri Vijay Kumar, IAS, Secretary, of MoPSW, in attendance, at a ceremony held in New Delhi on Tuesday, 3rd February 2026. Shri P. L. Haranadh, IRTS, Chairman of Paradip Port Authority, received the honour on behalf of the port team. Several MoPSW organizations have been recognized with the Swachh Bharat Pakhwada Awards–2025 for exemplary performance during Swachhata Pakhwada 2025 and Swachhata Hi Sewa 2025, marked by cleanliness drives, citizen engagement, advocacy, and Safai Mitra welfare, promoting a cleaner and more sustainable work environment.

This achievement marks a proud milestone, reflecting the port's strong commitment to the ideals of Swachh Bharat Abhiyan, environmental stewardship, and inclusive development. Under the

guidance of the Ministry of Ports, Shipping and Waterways, Paradip Port Authority successfully implemented the three core pillars of Swachhata Pakhwada 2025: Jan Bhagidari, Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam, and Safai Mitra Suraksha.

As part of Jan Bhagidari, PPA ensured large-scale public participation through cleanliness drives across schools, heritage sites, temples, beaches, ponds, and port premises. Activities such as cyclothons, Swachhata Raths, rallies, Swachhata Runs, human chains, and citizen-led drives under campaigns like Ek Din Ek Ghanta Ek Saath reinforced the message that cleanliness is everyone's responsibility.

Under the Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam initiative, extensive plantation drives transformed neglected areas into clean green zones. A significant highlight was the plantation of 40,000 saplings at Paradip Sea Beach to mark the birthday of Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji, under the “Ek Ped Maa Ke Naam 2.0” campaign. This reinforced the port's commitment to environmental protection, sustainable growth, and building a greener, healthier India. The Safai Mitra Suraksha pillar focused on the welfare, safety, and dignity of sanitation workers. Medical check-ups were organized, and Safai Mitras were formally recognized.

80 university-level students from diverse academic backgrounds shortlisted out of 1,114 applicants

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): The first two-week Online Short Term Internship Programme (OSTI) in 2026 of the National Human Rights Commission (NHRC), India has begun. Chairperson, Justice V. Ramasubramanian inaugurated it in the presence of Secretary General, Shri Bharat Lal and senior officers. 80 university-level students from diverse academic backgrounds shortlisted out of 1,114 applicants from 19 States and Union territories across the nation are attending it. The two-week programme will conclude on 13th February 2026.

Addressing them, Justice Ramasubramanian said that the OSTI, in line with the mandate of the Com-

mission under the PHRC Act to propagate the human rights discourse in the country, aims to provide college / university students with a comprehensive understanding of promotion and protection of Human Rights. Quoting shlokas from ancient Indian scriptures like the Rigveda highlighted that compassion and forgiveness have been the hallmark of age-old traditions and customs of Indian society.

He encouraged the interns to make the best use of the exposure to the various aspects of human rights during their internship with the Commission. He urged them to evolve as better human beings by

developing a sense of compassion towards others' suffering before becoming better professionals.

Before this, Shri Bharat Lal, Secretary General NHRC emphasised that the internship programme also aims at sensitising youth to evolve as defenders and ambassadors of human rights. He said that the selected interns should imbibe the values and knowledge from the eminent speakers during the OSTI Programme. He said that at their core, human rights are about real people, lived experiences and everyday conduct. Therefore, the interns also need to look beyond statutes and judgements to observe values in action,

understand grievances, engage with lived realities and reflect on how violations occur and more importantly how they can be prevented by spreading awareness.

Smt. Saindingpuii Chhakhuak, Joint Secretary, NHRC gave a detailed overview of the programme's carefully designed curriculum. This includes lectures and virtual tours of institutions such as Tihar Jail, Shelter Home and Police Station to offer direct insights into the realities of human rights. She further informed the interns about various activities and competitions aimed at enhancing their understanding of human rights and boosting their confidence.

Technology Advisory Group (TAG) of Empowered Technology Group (ETG) meets to discuss Strategic Roadmap for Robotics in India

New Delhi, Sept 25 (GNS): The Technology Advisory Group (TAG) constituted by the Empowered Technology Group (ETG) convened its third meeting on 3 February 2026 under the chairmanship of Prof. Ajay Kumar Sood, Principal Scientific Adviser (PSA) to the Government of India, to discuss the ecosystem, successes, challenges and strategic roadmap for Robotics in India.

The meeting brought together TAG members, ETG members, senior government officials, leading academicians, and companies and startups in robotics, to discuss the current state and map the domestic robotics ecosystem.

Dr. Preeti Banzal, Adviser/Scientist 'G' at the Office of PSA, in her welcome remarks, referred to the 2nd TAG meeting held in February 2025 on Advanced Manufacturing. She emphasised the importance of focusing on advanced robotic technologies, a key agenda of the 3rd TAG meeting.

In his keynote address, Prof. Sood highlighted the vision for a self-reliant India in Robotics through indigenisation. He spoke about the paradigm shift in robotics, and strategic focus on augmentation rather than replacing human labour. Need for sector-specific priorities such as collaborative robots and physical AI for

healthcare, unmanned and dual-use platforms for defence and internal security were highlighted.

Shri S. Krishnan, Secretary, MeitY, highlighted the draft National Strategy on Robotics, which has been formulated through comprehensive inter-ministerial and stakeholder consultations. He emphasized that existing MeitY frameworks including the IndiaAI Mission, the India Semiconductor Mission, and the ecosystem for Electronic Components serve as foundational pillars that can be effectively leveraged to support a future dedicated Robotics Mission. Dr. Sameer Kamat, Chairman, DRDO,

underscored the strategic imperative of achieving software sovereignty, specifically urging the indigenization of critical design and simulation tools. Complementing this, Dr. Renu Swarup, Former Secretary, DBT, advocated for a demand-driven approach, asserting that a rigorous needs prioritization exercise must precede product development to ensure alignment with high-impact sectoral requirements. Lt Gen N.S. Raja Subramani (Retd), Military Advisor, NSCS, emphasized that the integration

of robotics into the national defence architecture is no longer an option but a strategic imperative for

modern warfare. Mr. Rohit Gupta, CTO at the Office of PSA, provided a brief overview of the national and global robotics landscape, effectively setting the tone for the subsequent discussions. The meeting featured in-depth presentations from leading experts covering critical dimensions of Robotics: Mr. Raghu Dharamaraju, CEO, ARTPARK (IISc Bangalore), highlighted ARTPARK's initiatives to translate AI and robotics technologies from laboratory research to market-ready solutions. Prof. Subir Kumar Saha & Mr. Ashutosh Dutt Sharma, (IIT Delhi), outlined I-Hub Foundation for Cobotics' (IHFC) National

Mission on Interdisciplinary Cyber-Physical Systems (NM-ICPS)-supported mission to bridge academic research and industrial cobotics via R&D, entrepreneurship, and skilling.

Prof. M Manivannan, IIT Madras, emphasised tactile perception and haptics as a foundational layer of Embodied AI, showcasing indigenous R&D and the need for a national Tactile Intelligence initiative. Mr. Farid Ahsan, Co-founder, General Autonomy, discussed embodied AI-driven automation using indigenous humanoid and quadruped robots, stressing the need for national enablers such as Product Linked.

Kerala wind will become political storm by 2029: CM Revanth

Hyderabad, Sept 25 (GNS): Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy on Friday said the political battle over the future of India was a fight between two “parivars” the Gandhi Parivar and the Sangh Parivar and declared that Congress leader Rahul Gandhi would become Prime Minister. Addressing a gathering at Nilambur in Kerala after receiving the Aryadan Muhammed Memorial Award 2026 for best public servant, Revanth Reddy said a “new breeze” had begun to blow from Kerala and would turn into a political storm across the country by the 2029 general elections.

He drew a parallel between Kerala’s monsoon and its political trends, saying weather experts across the country looked to Kerala every year because the onset of the monsoon there helped predict rainfall patterns in Telangana, Karnataka, Bengal, Uttar Pradesh and eventually New Delhi.

“Kerala is the bell-weather state,” he said, adding that political developments in Kerala had also coincided with changes at the Centre in several instances. In 1991, when the Congress’ K. Karunakaran was Chief Minister of Kerala, P.V. Narasimha Rao became Prime Minister; in 1996, when the



Communists came to power in Kerala the Congress lost power in Delhi. Revanth Reddy also referred to 2001, when Congress’ A.K. Antony became

Kerala Chief Minister, followed by the Congress-led government coming to power at the Centre in 2004. He contrasted this with the period after Left leader

Pinarayi Vijayan became Chief Minister, when Narendra Modi became Prime Minister in 2014.

“Now we see a new breeze, a new wind. In 2026, Congress won in Kerala again; that political breeze is blowing from Kerala and is becoming a storm,” he said. The Chief Minister said the “winds of change” were being felt across India and people were listening to the “goonj” of Rahul Gandhi’s words of hope. He appealed to people to stand behind Rahul Gandhi to “save India from commu-

nal forces”. Revanth Reddy said the Gandhi Parivar represented sacrifice, referring to the lives of Mahatma Gandhi, Indira Gandhi and Rajiv Gandhi and saying that Sonia Gandhi, Rahul Gandhi and Priyanka Gandhi had sacrificed “post, power and position”. He accused the Sangh Parivar of seeking to divide India on the basis of religion, caste, region and language. He said he had no personal political ambition left and that his only remaining ambition was to see Rahul Gandhi become Prime Minister.

Revanth Reddy alleged that the country’s democratic foundations were under threat due to “vote ki chori, party ki chori, symbol ki chori and funds ki chori” by the BJP. Such developments amounted to “stealing the future of youth” and undermining the integrity of the vote, he said.

Calling upon Congress workers to turn the political momentum from Kerala into a nationwide movement, he said, “Congress wave has started from here. We have to make it a tsunami across India.”

Congress stages massive protest at Malkajigiri

Hyderabad, Sept 25 (GNS): The Congress Party organised a massive protest at Malkajigiri Chow Rasta, Malkajigiri Assembly Constituency, on Friday, demanding accountability over issues raised by the party concerning the electoral process, including alleged “vote chori,” Special Intensive Revision (SIR), and deletion of eligible voters’ names from the electoral rolls.

The protest was organised under the instructions and leadership of Sri Mynampally Hanmanth Rao Garu, Former MLA, Malkajigiri and In-charge, Malkajigiri Assembly Constituency. A large number of Congress leaders, activists and party workers from across the Malkajigiri Constituency participated in the demonstration. During the protest, Mynampally Hanmanth Rao Garu participated in the demonstration and led the party workers in raising slogans demanding accountability from the Election Commission. As part of the protest, Congress workers also burnt an effigy representing Chief Election Commissioner Shri Gyanesh Kumar.

Momin Roshan Zameer Demands Electoral Transparency

Speaking at the protest, Momin Roshan Zameer, Advocate, State General Secretary and In-charge Social Media, Legal Cell (Law, Human Rights and RTI Department), Telangana Pradesh Congress Committee (TPCC), and Member, Hyderabad Waqf Protection and Co-ordination Committee, Government of Telangana, said that the credibility of a democracy depends upon the integrity and transparency of its electoral process.



Mynampally Hanmanth Rao Garu led demonstration; Congress demands resignation of CEC Gyanesh Kumar and action on electoral-Roll issues!

toral process.

He stated that concerns raised by citizens and political parties regarding voter-list deletions, the SIR process and alleged irregularities in electoral rolls should not be ignored. He demanded that every complaint concerning the deletion of eligible voters’ names should be properly examined and that genuine voters must be given an effective opportunity to protect and restore their electoral rights in accordance with law.

Momin Roshan Zameer further stated that every eligible citizen’s right to vote must be protected and that electoral rolls should be prepared and revised through a transparent, accountable and legally compliant process.

He said that the Congress Party was raising these issues through democratic and constitutional means and demanded appropriate action wherever any violation of electoral law or procedure is established.

He further demanded accountability from the Election Commission, a

transparent examination of allegations relating to electoral-roll irregularities, and effective corrective measures to ensure that no eligible voter is deprived of the opportunity to exercise his or her franchise.

“Protect the Right to Vote”

Momin Roshan Zameer said that the vote is the direct expression of a citizen’s democratic participation and that the electoral system must command the confidence of the people.

He called upon the authorities to ensure that electoral-roll revision is carried out transparently, that legitimate objections and claims are duly considered, and that eligible voters whose names have been omitted are provided appropriate remedies under the applicable electoral procedure.

The protesters raised slogans demanding the resignation of Chief Election Commissioner Gyanesh Kumar, action on the issues described by Congress as “vote chori,” transparency in the SIR process, and protection of the voting rights of eligible citizens.

Telangana Minister, DGP conduct aerial survey of Ganesh procession

Hyderabad, Sept 25 (GNS): Hyderabad in-charge Minister Ponnamm Prabhakar, Director General of Police CV Anand, Hyderabad Police Commissioner VC Sajjanar and other top officials conducted an aerial survey of the Ganesh immersion procession on Friday. Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) Commissioner RV Karnan and Hyderabad District Collector Priyanka Ala also joined the aerial survey to assess the movement of idol-laden vehicles and immersion arrangements across the city.

The DGP posted on X that fewer vehicles were on the roads than expected. “Our teams may have a long night ahead. After coming back, I instructed all unit officers to talk to the organisers and speed up,” he said.

Minister Ponnamm Prabhakar told the media that the immersion process was continuing peacefully. He urged organisers and devotees to cooperate in expediting the immersion in view of possible rains. “The situation is peaceful and under control. In light of possible rains, we request organisers to complete the idol movement quickly. The government aims to



complete the immersion process by tomorrow morning or as soon as possible,” he said. He added that the Khairatabad Ganesh immersion was completed in the afternoon and said the government had made all arrangements to conduct the immersion peacefully with devotion and faith. All departments had taken measures to ensure no inconvenience to devotees and organisers.

Khairatabad Bada Ganesh's idol immersion passes off smoothly in Hyderabad

Hyderabad, Sept 25 (GNS): Hyderabad’s famous Khairatabad Ganesh was immersed in Hussain Sagar lake on Friday amid gaiety as thousands of devotees bid adieu to the ‘Bada Ganesh’. The 69-foot tall ‘Panchamukha Sankatahara Maha Ganapati’ was carried on a special Tusker vehicle to the lake, which is the focal point of the annual immersion procession.

The much-anticipated event passed off in smooth manner at NTR Marg as the idol was immersed with the help of a huge crane.

Thousands of devotees lined up around the lake in the heart of the city watched the immersion, a highlight of the annual

festivities. The eco-friendly idol was placed on the specially designed vehicle with the help of a huge crane in the morning. A large number of devotees participated in the Shobayatra amid a festive atmosphere.

The Khairatabad Ganesh Utsav Committee in coordination with the police and other departments made elaborate arrangements for smooth shifting of the idol for immersion. Hyderabad Police Commissioner V.C. Sajjanar personally visited Khairatabad Ganesh mandap to supervise the arrangements. Transport and immersion of Khairatabad Ganesh is a huge task for all -- the police, Greater Hyderabad Municipal Corporation (GHMC) and other departments that make special efforts. It took more than five hours for the procession to cover a distance of about two km to reach NTR Marg via Telephone Bhavan and Secretariat.

Thousands of devotees performed puja at the Khairatabad Ganesh for 12 days.

Khairatabad Ganesh has a history of nearly 70 years. The organisers had installed a one-foot idol for the first time in 1954 and since then, the height has been increasing by one foot every year. Due to Covid-19 pandemic in 2020, the organisers had installed a one-foot idol though they were planning a 66-foot idol.

Function Hall, Talabkatta under Yakutpura Assembly Constituency from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM in which all type of Consultations, Test, X-rays etc will be conducted free of cost with medicines to the patients. An Eye check up is also being organised with free distribution of Spectacles to the patients is also there. Kindly depute one of your Correspondent/Photographer/Vedio Crew to cover this Medical Camp.

TMARS will work to reduce road accidents, says TDGP

Hyderabad, Sept 25 (GNS): Telangana Director General of Police (DGP) C.V. Anand on Friday termed creation of the Telangana Traffic Management, Road and Rail Safety Bureau (TG-TMARS) a great move by the state government and said it would work to reduce road accidents and deaths.

He noted that a Traffic Management Fund has been created as per the Supreme Court orders into which 40 per cent of the compounding fines collected by the police will be credited. The Telangana Police Chief said that the traffic wings of the concerned districts and Commissionerates will continue to function under the operational control of the concerned unit officer but will implement the directions of the TG-TMARS bureau for standardised policies throughout the state. Calling it a great move forward by the Telangana government, DGP Anand thanked the Chief Minister A. Revanth Reddy for pushing this much needed reform.

The DGP on social media platform X said that the bureau will function under a Director of Additional Director General of Police/Inspector General of Police rank and will have four wings -- Traffic

MBT youth leader to organise free medical camp

Hyderabad, Sept 25 (GNS) This is to state that under banner of Majlis Bachao Tehreek (MBT) to mark the occasion of birthday of Amjed Ullah Khan (Spokesman) MBT a Medical Camp in colaberation with Garmentan Multi Super Speciality Hospital is been organised by Affan Ullah Khan (Adv) & Youth leader MBT

The Medical Camp will be held on 26th Sep 2026 (Saturday) at Hidayath

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Former PM Manmohan Singh’s statue set to be unveiled in Hyderabad

Hyderabad, Sept 25 (GNS): Telangana Chief Minister, A. Revanth Reddy, will unveil the statue of former Prime Minister late Manmohan Singh in Hyderabad on Saturday on the occasion of his birth anniversary. The bronze statue has been installed at Wipro Circle in Gachibowli, a key IT cluster. Hyderabad In-charge Minister Ponnamm Prabhakar on Friday inspected the arrangements for the unveiling ceremony.

On this occasion, he recalled the services rendered by former Prime Minister late Manmohan Singh.

He observed that this statue was not merely a memorial but an enduring symbol

that will remind future generations of Dr. Manmohan Singh’s role in nation-building, his economic foresight, his commitment to public service, and his unassuming leadership. He noted that Dr. Manmohan Singh’s name will remain etched in Indian history as a globally-respected economist and a leader who laid strong foundations for the country’s economic progress.

He described Dr. Manmohan Singh as an eminent economist who guided India’s economic progress. He noted that the economic reforms initiated by Dr. Manmohan Singh as Finance Minister in 1991 paved the

way for pivotal changes in the Indian economy.

He further stated that the services Dr. Manmohan Singh rendered as Prime Minister from 2004 to 2014 towards national development, public welfare, and economic stability remain unforgettable. The minister stated that during his tenure as Prime Minister, key laws and programs like Mahatma Gandhi National Rural Employment Guarantee Scheme, the Right to Information Act, and the Right to Education Act were implemented by Dr. Manmohan Singh to expand rights and opportunities for the people.



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