

















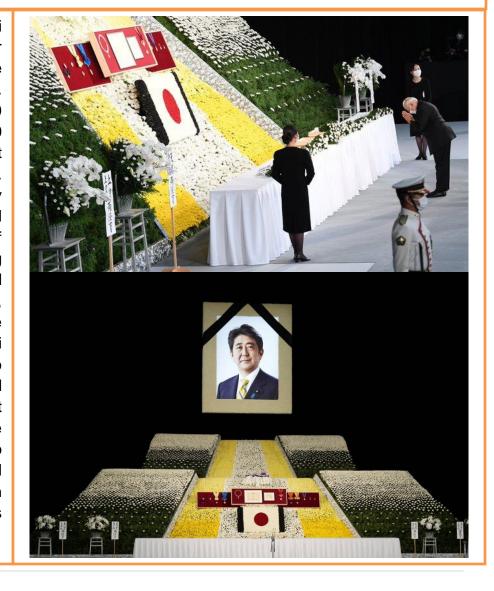


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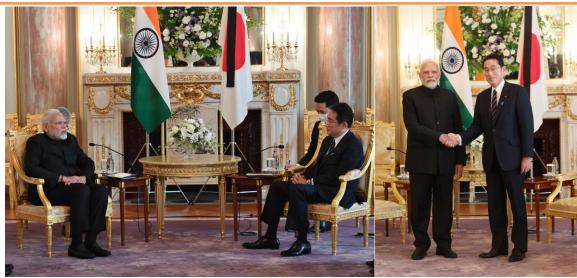


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Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi attended the State Funeral of former Prime Minister of Japan Shinzo Abe at the Nippon Budokan, Tokyo. Representatives 100 from over countries, including more than 20 Heads of State / Government participated in the State Funeral. Prime Minister honoured the memory of former PM Abe, who he considered a dear friend and a great champion of India-Japan partnership. Following the State Funeral, Prime Minister had a private meeting with Mrs. Akie Abe, spouse of Late PM Abe, at the Akasaka Palace. Prime Minister Modi conveyed his heartfelt condolences to Mrs. Abe. He recalled his fond friendship and the significant contribution made by former PM Abe in taking India-Japan relationship to new heights. Prime Minister also had a brief interaction thereafter with Prime Minister Kishida to reiterate his condolences.



Had a fruitful meeting with PM Kishida. We discussed various bilateral subjects. I conveyed my condolences on the tragic demise of former PM Shinzo Abe.



Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi held a bilateral meeting with Prime Minister of Japan H.E. Mr. Fumio Kishida. Prime Minister conveyed his deepest condolences for the demise of former Prime Minister Shinzo Abe. Prime Minister noted the contributions of late Prime Minister Abe in strengthening India-Japan partnership as well in conceptualizing the vision of a free, open and inclusive Indo-Pacific region. The two leaders had a productive exchange of views on further deepening bilateral relations. They also discussed a number of regional and global issues. The leaders renewed their commitment towards further strengthening the India-Japan Special Strategic and Global Partnership, and in working together in the region and in various international groupings and institutions.

17th Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention will be held from 8-10 January 2023, to mark the contribution of the Overseas Indian community to the development of India.



India will assume the Presidency of the G20 for one year from 01 December 2022 to 30 November 2023



Under its Presidency, India is expected to host over 200 G20 meetings across the country, beginning December 2022. The G20 Leaders' Summit at the level of Heads of State / Government is scheduled to be held on 09 and 10 September 2023 in New Delhi. The G20, or Group of Twenty, is an intergovernmental forum of the world's major developed and developing economies. It comprises 19 countries (Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Canada, China, France, Germany, India, Indonesia, Italy, Japan, Republic of Korea, Mexico, Russia, Saudi Arabia, South Africa, Turkey, UK, USA) and the European Union (EU). Collectively, the G20 accounts for 85% of global GDP, 75% of international trade and two-thirds of the world population, making it the premier forum for international economic cooperation. India is currently part of the G20 Troika (current, previous and incoming G20 Presidencies) comprising Indonesia, Italy and India. During our Presidency, India, Indonesia and Brazil would form the troika. This would be the first time when the troika would consist of three developing countries and emerging economies, providing them a greater voice. The G20 currently comprises:

- (i) Finance Track, with 8 workstreams (Global Macroeconomic Policies, Infrastructure Financing, International Financial Architecture, Sustainable Finance, Financial Inclusion, Health Finance, International Taxation, Financial Sector Reforms)
- (ii) Sherpa Track, with 12 workstreams (Anti-corruption, Agriculture, Culture, Development, Digital Economy, Employment, Environment and Climate, Education, Energy Transition, Health, Trade and Investment, Tourism)
- (iii) 10 Engagement Groups of private sector/civil society/independent bodies (Business 20, Civil 20, Labour 20, Parliament 20, Science 20, Supreme Audit Institutions 20, Think 20, Urban 20, Women 20 and Youth 20).

In addition to G20 Members, there has been a tradition of the G20 Presidency inviting some Guest countries and International Organizations (IOs) to its G20 meetings and Summit. Accordingly, in addition to regular International Organizations (UN, IMF, World Bank, WHO, WTO, ILO, FSB and OECD) and Chairs of Regional Organizations (AU, AUDA-NEPAD and ASEAN), India, as G20 Presidency, will be inviting Bangladesh, Egypt, Mauritius, Netherlands, Nigeria, Oman, Singapore, Spain and UAE as Guest countries, as well as ISA (International Solar Alliance), CDRI (Coalition for Disaster Resilient Infrastructure) and ADB (Asian Development Bank) as Guest IOs.

Whilst our G20 priorities are in the process of being firmed up, ongoing conversations inter alia revolve around inclusive, equitable and sustainable growth; LiFE (Lifestyle For Environment); women's empowerment; digital public infrastructure and tech-enabled development in areas ranging from health, agriculture and education to commerce, skill-mapping, culture and tourism; climate financing; circular economy; global food security; energy security; green hydrogen; disaster risk reduction and resilience; developmental cooperation; fight against economic crime; and multilateral reforms.

Source: MEA India

Mr. Deepak Bagla, Managing Director & CEO of Invest India, visit to Croatia highlighted Innovation Opportunities in the Transforming India for a Stronger India-Croatia Partnership

Business Session with Deepak Bagla, CEO & MD of Invest India was held with the presence of Ambassador Srivastava, Podravka President of Board Ms. Martina Dalić, former Croatian Economy Minister & other highly distinguished guests about the potential of expanding the cooperation between India and Croatia across several sectors. Mr. Bagla emphasized that Croatia could be among 165 partner-countries which reflects the scale of India's partnerships and the trust that the global community has placed on India's future.



Zagreb School of Economics (ZSEM) and Management hosted the masterclass lecture by Mr. Deepak Bagla, Managing Director & CEO of Invest India the presence of students, Ambassador Srivastava & Mr. Mato Njavro, Dean of ZŠEM. Mr. Bagla delivered an inspirational lecture in which he explained to the students the magnitude of change and transformation happening today in New India & emphasized the importance of India's "golden age dividend", since 53.6 % of India's population is under the age of 29, of which, 25 % are under the age of 14, making India one of the youngest countries in the world.



Keynote speech by Mr. Deepak Bagla, CEO & MD of Invest India, at the At the 14th Annual Big Plans Day Conference organized by Business Magazine group Lider

At the 14th Annual Big Plans Day Conference organized by Business Magazine group Lider, Mr. Deepak Bagla, CEO & MD of Invest India presented to over 300 business leaders of Croatia, the unique transformation that is taking place in India and the opportunities that it opens up to our global business partners. The four Ds of Demand, Demography, Democracy & Diversity that define New India were presented with clear statistics to demonstrate the scale and speed of positive change that India is going through. Read the full article at the following link.





Ambassador Srivastava and Mr. Deepak Bagla, CEO & MD of Invest India, met with Mr. Božidar Poldrugač, Board member of Končar Group, which products & projects are exported to more than 100 countries including India to discuss investment opportunities worth USD 1.5 Tn under the National Infrastructure Pipeline of New India. Mr. Bagla praised Končar's wish to be a partner in India's growth story through various sectors including Infastructure, Mobility & in the Energy transition sector.





Interview with

Mr.Deepak Bagla, Managing Director & CEO, Invest India,

in the Croatian Business Magazine LIDER

In an interview in the edition of Croatian Business Magazine Lider, Mr. Deepak Bagla, Managing Director & CEO, Invest India, highlights the forefront of bringing global companies and investments into the Indian market which enabled New India to allocate in the past 8 years, over USD 523 billion across over 62 sectors. The interview is also announcing Mr. Bagla's participation as the keynote speaker at the 14th edition of the "Big Plans Day" conference on 21st September in Zagreb which would be inaugurated by the Hon'ble President of the Republic of Croatia. Find out more at: https://bit.lv/3QJOA0S

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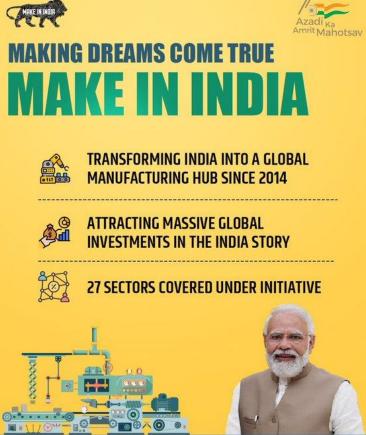




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NEWS ON INDIA

The Reserve Bank of India's Monetary Policy Committee (MPC) on Friday raised the repo rate by 50 basis points for the third consecutive time to 5.9%. The central bank also retained its stance on remaining focused on the withdrawal of accommodation. The rate is in line with expectations as most economists and market experts had expected the RBI to front-load rate hikes in a bid to control inflation which has remained above RBI's tolerance threshold of 6% for eight consecutive months. The central bank is expected to deliver another rate hike in its next MPC meeting.



Tea exports during the period January to July in the calendar year 2022 have touched 116.36 million kg as compared to 103.38 million kg in the same period of 2021. According to Tea Board data, exports to the largest importing block, the CIS countries, remained almost stagnant at 25.20 million kg as against 24.98 million kg in the first seven months of 2021. Tea industry sources said that exports were around the same level because of the armed conflict between Russia and Ukraine which had caused serious shipment problems for sending the beverage.



India's robust growth momentum may create macro stability challenges for the economy. Despite the slowdown and recession threat looming over the world, Barclays believes that India's economy stands out as an outlier, benefiting from enhanced food security, deleveraged private sector balance sheets, and more room to use fiscal tools to offset the relative price shocks faced in terms of weaker exchange rates, high inflation, and rising interest rates. "We are comfortable with our baseline view of India's growth slowing from 7.0% in FY 22-23 to 6.5% in FY 23-24, given strong consumption and continued fiscal support," Barclays said in its report adding that India's domestic dynamics are strong enough to drive the growth of at least 6% for the next two years.





Read in the latest edition of the IMC Chamber of Commerce and Industry Journal Ambassador's Srivastava view on the India-Croatia partnership for growth which can be summarized in 4 Ts (Talent, Technology, Tourism & Trade). Ambassador pointed out that New India exported close to USD 500 million worth of goods to Croatia last FY (more than double the previous best), which clearly indicates the opportunities for expanding exports in the post-pandemic world. Read the Cover story on Page No. 8 & 9 at the following

LINK: https://bit.ly/3RI3MNb

Ambassador's outreaches

Ambassador Srivastava presented on Transformational Aspirations & Journey of New India and New Opportunities for Croatia to the Rotary club Zagreb Medveščak. The session was attended, amongst others, by Mr Josip Pavić, Advisor for Sport, Ministry of Tourism and Sports of Croatia, 2012 & 2016 Olympics Gold & Silver medal winner in Water Polo & Mr. Davor Štern, former Foreign Minister of Croatia and currently represented in the city assembly of the City of Zagreb, and others.



Ambassador Srivastava participated in the opening of Acupuncture & the 57th Zagreb Salon of Visual Arts with the Dean of AFA Mr. Buntak, Ms. Biennefeld, Dir. of Zagreb Tourism Board & Ms. Emina Višnić, Head of Zagreb's City Office for Culture. The Zagreb Salon will also have a specially dedicated Amrit Mahotsav program connected to the 75th Anniversary of India's Independence.



Ambassador Srivastava attended the "Weekend of peace. non-violence and meditation" in Grad Vukovar, an event by YIDL Zagreb, supported by the City of Vukovar and Embassy of India, Zagreb at the Eltz Castle. The event is also part of the celebration on the occasion of International Day of Non-Violence and AmritMahotsav attended, among others, by Mr. Josip Paloš, Head of the Administrative Department for Social Activities of the City of Vukovar and Swami Vivek Puri, representing YIDL.



Ambassador Srivastava paid a visit to the Faculty of Mechanical Engineering and Naval Architecture of the University of Zagreb where he was introduced by the Dean & Vice Dean of the Faculty of achievements and future goals, including collaboration with India's universities. He also visited the innovative tech company Ronna Medical, a business offshoot of technology development at the faculty by Prof Bojan Jerbic. Ronna Medical is a unique multiple award-13-year-old, company winning. а tech which specializes in Cranial Surgery





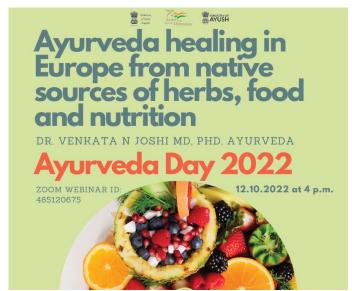
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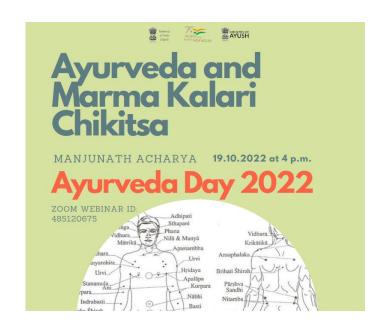
Join the Zagreb-based Ayush Cell, Online Session "Ayurveda and Vedic Agriculture" with Dr. Peter Swan, Ayurvedic Consultant, Ambassador Srivastava and Yogacharya Jadranko Miklec on 3rd October vi link: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/485120675



Zagreb-based AYUSH Cell's month-long celebration of Ayurveda Day 2022 via the following link: https://fb.me/e/2c1fl7CR5







Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

Five contemporary Indian artists' artworks have been chosen for display at the Zagreb Art fair in Croatia.



The opening of the Art Zagreb fair (ALU Perspektiva 2) at the Academy of Fine Arts Zagreb, University of Zagreb was marked with the inaugural speech of Ambassador Srivastava, Mr. Tomislav Buntak, Dean of the Academy of Fine Arts and Mr. Daniel Tomičić, Director of Art Zagreb. Lalit Kala Akademi has chosen five contemporary Indian artists' artworks for display as each artist has sent 15 artworks, making it a total of 75 artworks in recognition of the year 2022 being the 75th anniversary of India's Independence.

The five artists' diverse range of artistic responses to reality is seen in this exhibition. Amit Kumar's paintings are inspired by nature and the present-day environmental crisis caused by humankind. Ganesh Dhareshwar's symbolic representation of human feelings seen in his works is the visual metaphor for his narratives. Laxman Prasad is using plumb lines metaphorically to depict the balance of life. Rishi Raj Tomar feels that the rights or wrongs happening around him need to be told through his paintings as a message to society. Sayam Bharat has been working on the memories from his past – the gratified pastoral life of his community.



15 artworks by Sh. Laxman Prasad, Assist. Professor (Painting), School of Performing and Visual Arts, Indira Gandhi National Open University

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15 artworks by Sh. Rishi Raj Tomar, Sohan Qadri Fellowship by Chandigarh Lalit Kala Academy in 2018-19. Honour by Chandigarh Lalit Kala Academy

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15 artworks by Sh. Ganesh Dhareswar Honourable membership of Karnataka Lalitkala Academy 2019 – 22

15 artworks by Sh. Amit Kumar State Lalit Kala Akademi (Executive member) 2021 – 2022, UP Art Circle 2018- present.



15 artworks by Sh. Sayam Bharat taught by Shri Thota Vaikuntam, is a National Academy Awardee (56 National Exhibition of Art 2014-15, Lalit Kala Academy, New Delhi).

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Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav

The Ratha Yatra 2022 held in Zagreb confirms the Indian conviction that the "World is one family"

Ambassador Srivastava and Mr Svibor Jancic, representative of the City of Zagreb, jointly attended this year's Ratha Yatra celebration in Zagreb. This Ratha Yatra has been organized by ISKCON Zagreb, supported by City of Zagreb and the Embassy of India, Zagreb. Ambassador Srivastava said that it is heartening to see the almost 500 years old tradition of Puri Ratha Yatra is celebrated globally since 1968 thanks to Bhaktivedanta Swami Prabhupada of ISKCON. The Ratha Yatra in Zagreb brings a glimpse of sharing, togetherness and bliss, and confirms the Indian conviction that the "World is one family".





