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Glimpses from the Republic Day programme at Kartavya Path in Delhi



Voice of Global South



Expressing satisfaction that the two-day Voice of Global South Summit saw a useful exchange of views and ideas; Prime Minister Narendra Modi highlighted the need for collectively shaping the global agenda. "It is clear that on several important issues facing the world, developing countries have similar perspectives," Prime Minister Modi said in his Closing Remarks at the Concluding Leaders' Session of the Voice of Global South Summit. Earlier, in his opening remarks at the concluding session, Prime Minister Modi had pointed out that developing countries desire globalization that does not create Climate Crisis or Debt Crisis. "We want globalization that does not lead to unequal distribution of vaccines or over-concentrated global supply chains. We want globalization that brings prosperity and well-being to humanity as a whole. In short, we want a 'human-centric globalization'," he explained. During his closing remarks, he added, "We all agree on the importance of South-South Cooperation, and collectively shaping the global agenda". In this context, Prime Minister Modi highlighted the following sectors for cooperation: In the field of health, we share an emphasis on promoting traditional medicine, developing regional hubs for healthcare, and improving the mobility of health professionals.

'Global South Centre of Excellence' among slew of initiatives announced by PM Modi at Voice of Global South Summit

Unveiling a slew of initiatives in his opening remarks at the Concluding Leaders' Session of the Voice of Global South Summit, he said this institution will undertake research on development solutions or best practices of any of our countries. These can be scaled and implemented in other members of the Global South, he added. As an example, Prime Minister Modi cited the digital public goods developed by India in fields like electronic payments, health, education, or e-governance, which can be useful for many other developing countries. Highlighting the great strides made by the country in areas like space technology and nuclear energy, the Prime Minister also announced the launch of a 'Global-South Science & Technology initiative' to share India's expertise with other developing nations.

Prime Minister Modi recalled the 'Vaccine Maitri' initiative under which made-in-India vaccines were supplied to over 100 nations during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Taking this forward, he announced a new 'Aarogya Maitri' project. Under this project, India will provide essential medical supplies to any developing country affected by natural disasters or humanitarian crises.

Additionally, for synergising their diplomatic voice, Prime Minister Modi proposed a 'Global-South Young Diplomats Forum', "to connect youthful officers of our foreign ministries".

India will also institute 'Global-South Scholarships' for students from developing countries to pursue higher education in India, he added.

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India and the Global South should work collectively toward a new globalization paradigm, External Affairs Minister S Jaishankar has said. In his virtual address at the Voice of Global South Summit's Foreign Ministers' Session on the G20, EAM Jaishankar also said that global discussions should reflect their concerns. "We should work collectively towards a new globalization paradigm which will be for the collective well-being of humankind, with a critical focus on vulnerable populations," he pointed out. "While we promote faster rebalancing, more multipolarity and reformed multilateralism, the key global conversations of our times must reflect concerns and challenges," he explained. During the address, he emphasized how the Covid-19 pandemic had added to the problems of unsustainable debt, unviable projects, trade obstacles, shrinking financial flows, and climatic pressure. "The knock-on impacts of the Ukraine conflict further complicated the economic situation. The costs and availability of fuel, food and fertilizers had emerged as a major concern for many of us. So too has the disruption in trade and commercial services," he noted. However, none of this has got the attention that it deserves in global councils, EAM Jaishankar pointed out.

Speaking about India's agenda for the G20 presidency, he stated that it will prioritize a new globalization paradigm centred on vulnerable populations and decentralization, breaking down barriers to accessing opportunities globally, working together to address issues with food and energy security, advancing agreement on the Green Development Pact of G20 Leaders, discussions on data for development, and stepping up efforts to share information. Additionally, he reiterated Prime Minister Narendra Modi's Statement that this is not an era of war. He continued by saying that he had previously stressed the necessity of letting go of the "us vs. them" mentality and cooperating as one human family. EAM Jaishankar also stated that India and the countries of the Global South not only have a common future but also a shared past. "Most of us shoulder the burdens of a colonial past, even as we face the inequities of the current world order," he said. According to EAM Jaishankar, the Global South has consistently chosen the middle route, in which rivalry, conflict, and divides are prioritized over diplomacy, negotiation, and collaboration, from rejecting alignment to decolonization. He claimed that constructing significant bridges takes time and patience in order to follow the path of peace, collaboration, and multilateralism. He continued by saying that if the interests of the Global South are to remain at its center is the path that the world must follow.

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INDIA AT DAVOS:

India was in the centre of attention at the World Economic Forum in Davos



India offers the largest contribution to global growth in the coming decade

After the news of India becoming the world's most populous country spread around the world a few days ago, at the annual meeting of the World Economic Forum (WEF) in Davos 2023, all eyes were on the representatives of this fast-growing Asian economy and the world's largest democracy.

New relations on the world stage

Global leaders and prominent economists in Davos praised India's strong ability to attract global investment amid turbulent supply chains, with renowned economist Kenneth Rogoff saying India's economy will outperform "its emerging peers".

High growth, moderate inflation

On a panel discussing India's path to a \$10 trillion economy, Ashwini Vaishnaw, the minister in charge of railways, communications, electronics and information technology, highlighted four key factors that will make a difference. They include ensuring a resilient economy with a steady growth rate of 6-8%, attracting a large number of participants in the supply chain using local R&D opportunities, as well as digital transformation and energy transition. It is the latter that is also the main priority of India's G20 Presidency.

Rapid digitalization

Also, the digital public infrastructure and its adoption by people, provides India a unique competitive advantage of not only reducing the cost of doing business but also formalizes the economy and supports financial inclusion and creating new business opportunities. Start-ups have grown remarkably over the last six years, with India emerging as the third largest ecosystem for start-ups globally. Over the past four years (since FY 2017-18), there has been 66% year-on-year growth in the number of additional unicorns being added every year. As of August 2022, India had 107 unicorns.

Bright future for world's largest democracy

In addition, in 2023, the country is expected to log the best performance of any major economy. The World Bank is estimating growth of 6.6 %. If it can maintain its momentum, India will overtake Germany as the world's fourth largest economy in 2026, climb third place in 2032 and become only the third country with GDP worth \$10 trillion by 2035, according to an analysis by the Centre for Economics and Business Research.

On energy transition: Top priority with India's G20 presidency

India has sizeable and growing energy needs, and with this, comes the risk of rising greenhouse gas emissions (GHGs). The country has been at the forefront of driving global action on climate change, writes Viraj Mehta, Head of Regional Agenda, India and South Asia, at the Forum. He says the establishment of a National Hydrogen Mission is particularly noteworthy.

During 2022, extreme weather events were recorded in India during 80% of the year, underlining how much the country is already suffering the effects of climate change. It has pledged to reach net-zero emissions by 2070 at COP26, and Raj Kumar Singh, who oversees the Ministry of Power and the Ministry of New and Renewable Energy, believes it's right on track. "India is the only major economy whose energy transition is consonant with a sub-2 degree rise in global temperature. We achieved our NDCs nine years in advance – we had said that we'll have 40% of our capacity coming from non-fossils by 2030, and we achieved that in 2021."

On climate adaptation: Building a vulnerability index

For developing countries dealing with the consequences of climate change, adaptation costs could reach \$300 billion a year by 2030 to provide support and build solutions for vulnerable communities. Parameswaran Iyer, chief executive of the Indian government's think-tank National Institution for Transforming India (NITI) Aayog, stepped in to inform adaptation efforts of the country. "Water and climate are closely connected, and if you look at water, it's either too little or too much or too polluted, so you have floods, droughts and pollution of groundwater. We are a water-scarce country... so how do we adapt to this?" "Increasingly, there's a focus on how to build resilient infrastructure, and water is just one example. But we have started identifying the most vulnerable areas, cities, coastal areas, food and agriculture, and infrastructure so that we can prioritise areas for adaptation. So, it's important to have a vulnerability index." An example of the northern state of Uttar Pradesh, home to about 250 million people. "They've embarked on an ambitious adaptation programme, and it's a little bit of mitigation as well. "How do you get farmers to move into more resilient and sustainable practices for [growing] rice? Instead of using flood irrigation, they are now moving to direct seeding of rice, which [utilises] less water but also gives you more productivity and provides the farmer with a high income - you have to take care of the weeds, of course. That's a big challenge, but that's one example of how adaptation is taking place at scale. On climate financing, he emphasised the importance of capacity building alongside technology transfer. "Climate change has to be looked at holistically, and in India, we are cognizant of the reality of the 'now', and we are acting on it, and hopefully this message can resonate in the G20 as well."

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New India at work in diverse sports arenas



India became the first-ever ICC Under-19 Women's T20 World Cup winners on Sunday, after a comprehensive, seven-wicket victory over England in Potchefstroom. It was another clinical display with the ball that held the key to India's march to victory, with Titas Sadhu setting the pace, with the spinners delivering another telling performance when it mattered. Supplementing the fine bowling was outstanding fielding. The dismissal of England's captain, Grace Scrivens, epitomized the sheer determination in the Indian ranks. The left-hander hit Archana towards long-off, where Gongadi Trisha sprinted in, and then leapt forward to take a wonderful, tumbling catch.

ONE STEP AWAY FROM GOLD



The unseeded Indian pair of Sania Mirza and Rohan Bopanna defeated third seeds Desirae Krawczyk and Neal Skupski 7-6(5), 6-7(5), 10-6 in the semifinal of Australian Open Mixed Doubles on Wednesday. The semi-final match lasted for one hour and 52 minutes. Happiness was at its peak for Sania, who is playing the last Grand Slam of her career, as soon as he ended on the winning side. Bopanna too was ecstatic with the win. The duo hugged each other before shaking hands with their opponents and thanking the crowd for their support with all heart.



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Do not miss the opportunity to see New India for the upcoming Night at the Museum in Zagreb

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Uttar Pradesh: India's new engine of development

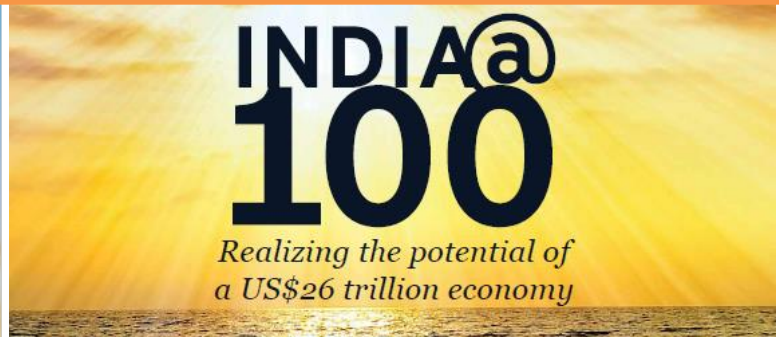
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INDIA@100: Realizing the potential of a US\$26 trillion economy



The next 25 years have been deemed as the 'Amrit Kaal' by Prime Minister Narendra Modi, a term drawn from Vedic inspiration, which means a uniquely auspicious period and represents India's opportunity to herald a new world era. India's success is important for the world economy as it is home to approximately 1/6th of the global population. In 2023, India is slated to become the largest country in terms of population, enabling it to become the largest contributor to the global workforce for the next several decades. The enthusiasm for India's growth prospects is palpable given the slowing global growth buffeted by recent headwinds of unprecedentedly high levels of global debt to GDP, inflation, decelerating global population growth and plateauing global trade to GDP. These trends have been further exacerbated by rising protectionism amidst rising geopolitical tensions. India has attained critical mass as the fifth largest economy in the world, realized primarily on account of its policies of economic liberalization, which made it more market-oriented, allowed for a greater role for private capital and in the process increased its global competitiveness. The growth projections for the Indian economy are the highest for any large economy over the coming decades.

As per EY projections:



India's strong services exports have grown by 14% over the last two decades and stood at US\$254.5b in 2021-22. A large part of services exports is from the Information Technology (IT) Services and Business Process Outsourcing (BPO) services with US\$157b in 2021-22. This growth has been driven by both Indian-headquartered and global IT companies. Besides, other global corporations are leveraging Indian talent through their capability centres in India, which employ over 5 million people¹. What began as a cost arbitrage has now become a key source of high-quality talent and leading-edge innovation. The 1,500 Global Capability Centers (GCCs) in India representing 45% of global GCCs are an acknowledgement that these centres are scalable with access to manpower skilled in new technologies while adhering to business processes of the highest quality and efficiency. All of these have converged to give India an opportunity to become the "office of the world" for corporations as they look to adopt technology at a global scale.

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Key Highlights:

- India celebrated its 75th anniversary of independence in 2022. Milestones like these not only give an opportunity to celebrate the achievements of the past but are also an occasion to envisage a vision for the country. The Government of India has set for itself the goal of becoming a “developed” economy by 2047.
- The recent accelerated pace of economic reforms of the last few years in the domains of fiscal, digital, physical infrastructure and social inclusion, has positioned India for higher and sustainable growth. This, together with the largest, broadest and deepest labor pool, with a relatively inelastic labour market, provides a long runway for improving productivity at a pace faster than growth in wages. This enhances the global competitiveness of enterprises doing business in India.
- India has an opportunity to become the “office of the world” for corporations as they look to adopt technology at a global scale. The digital public infrastructure and its adoption by people provides India with a unique competitive advantage of not only reducing the cost of doing business but also formalising the economy and supporting financial inclusion and creating new business opportunities.
- The spurt of new-age companies across technology and other sectors on the back of rapid digitalization and strong capital availability would be instrumental in delivering differential growth to the Indian economy.
- 6X growth in per-capita income by 2047 of more than 1.7 billion Indians would unleash an unprecedented consumer boom.
- As we crystal-gaze into the 100th year of India’s independence, we certainly hope that India exceeds our growth projections, with an equal and strong focus on providing inclusive and equitable opportunities and access to education, skills and better health, covering all sections of the population including women and economically and socially disadvantaged.

Find the full report at the following [LINK](#).

Ambassador Srivastava met with the Rector of the University of Zagreb Prof. PhD Mr. Stjepan Lakušić and discussed Indian & Croatia cooperation between the University of Zagreb and Indian universities in the context of student exchanges, mobility of academic teaching and non-teaching staff, and potential joint projects.



On the occasion of the 74th Republic Day of India, the National Flag was unfurled by the Ambassador of India to Croatia Raj Kumar Srivastava at the Chancery premises today amidst a gathering of Indian nationals and friends of India. This was followed by reading the address of the Hon'ble President of India to the Nation. Wishing you all a happy Republic Day.



Mr. Joginder Singh Nijjar was at the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention by the Hon'ble President of India in recognition of his work continuous work in the field Art & Culture/Education



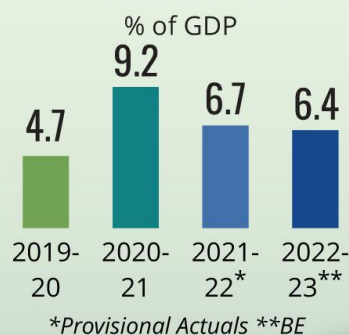
The Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award (PBSA) is the highest honour conferred on overseas Indians. PBSA is conferred by the Hon'ble President of India as part of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas Convention on Non-Resident Indians, Persons of Indian Origin or an organization/institution established and run by the Non-Resident Indians or Persons of Indian Origin in recognition of their outstanding achievements both in India and abroad. The 17th edition of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas (PBD) Convention is scheduled to be held from 8–10 January 2023 in Indore, Madhya Pradesh. The Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Awards will be conferred by the Hon'ble President of India at the PBD Convention in the valedictory session of the Pravasi Bharatiya Divas celebrations. Mr. Joginder Singh Nijjar, President of India-Croatia Society from Croatia received the Pravasi Bharatiya Samman Award 2023 in the field of Art & Culture/Education. *Photo: Ambassador Srivastava congratulated Mr Joginder Singh for his deserving selection as one of the awardees of the prestigious Pravasi Bhartiya Samman2023 by the Government of India.*



Indian Economy A Snapshot



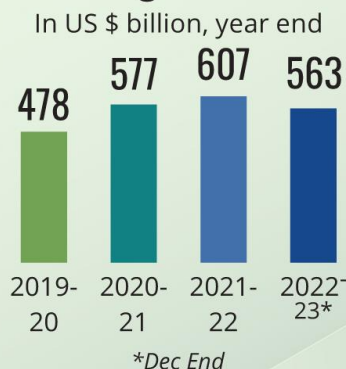
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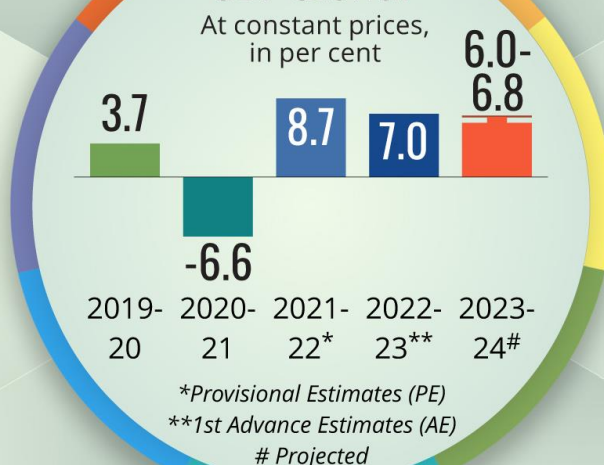
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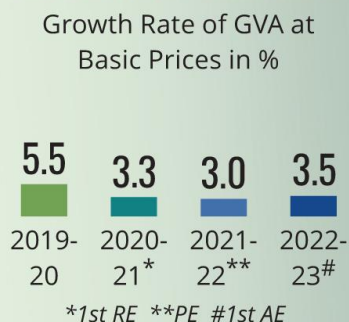
GDP Growth



Services



Agriculture and Allied Activities



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India is looking very seriously at bidding for the 2036 Olympics.

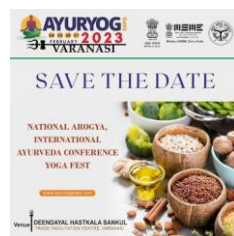
India will bid for hosting the Olympic Games in 2036, Union sports minister Anurag Thakur said recently in an interview for the Times of India. The world's second-most populous nation has previously hosted the Asian Games and the Commonwealth Games, and Thakur said it was the "right time" to host the Olympics. A roadmap will be presented to the International Olympic Committee members during the IOC session in Mumbai in September 2023. „If India can host the G20 presidency in such a big way, I am sure the government will be able to pitch in to host the Olympics in the country along with the Indian Olympic Association“, Thakur said. He also added that Gujarat's Ahmedabad would likely be the host city. „Gujarat has several times expressed interest in hosting the Olympics. They have the infrastructure – from hotels, hostels, airports and sports complexes. They are serious about the bid,“ the minister concluded.

India's domestic toy industry shows growth as imports dip, exports boom

Exports of toys from India have increased from USD 96.17 million in 2014-15 to USD 326.63 million in 2021-22, an increase of approximately 240%, the government informed the Lok Sabha. At the same time, the import of toys (HSN Codes 9503, 9504, 9505) to India has decreased from USD 332.55 million in 2014-15 to USD 109.72 million in 2021-22, a decrease of approximately 67%. The volume of import of toys into the Indian market has shown a consistently decreasing trend with the government taking several steps to restrict the import of sub-standard and unsafe toys and to promote the domestic toy industry.

India and US hold 13th Trade Policy Forum meet, discuss stronger economic partnership

The India-US Trade Policy Forum has led to a smoother environment for businesses from both sides to expand their trade and investment, Union Commerce and Industry Minister Piyush Goyal said. He was briefing the media after the conclusion of the 13th Ministerial Trade Policy Forum (TPF) dialogue at Washington DC. TPF, relaunched in a new form in November 2021, has become a very robust and outcome-oriented platform to have a free and frank discussion on various issues of mutual interest, Goyal added. Goyal said that issues related to resolving WTO disputes, restarting exports of wild-caught shrimps, speeding up of business visas, resilient supply chains, data flow and addressing climate change were discussed during the meeting.



As a part of the Startup India Innovation Week Ambassador Srivastava alongside Ms. Madhurima Agarwal, Country Head - Microsoft for Startups & Mr Sanjay Mehta, Founder of 100X.VC will deep dive into understanding the scenario of India's startup expansion. The recording of the session is available at the following [link](#).

Business insight about India for Croatian companies recommended by Commercial wing of EOI, Zagreb

India's medical tourism industry expected to reach \$13 billion by 2026



Medical tourism in India has been on the rise recently, with an increasing number of people traveling to the country for medical treatment. For example, medical tourism in India was estimated to be worth around \$9 billion in mid-2020, placing India in the tenth position in the Global Medical Tourism Index. Nearly 2 million patients visit India every year for various medical treatments. According to experts, corporate hospitals would earn 10-15% of their total revenue from medical tourism in the pre-COVID period, which fell to 5-6% due to the pandemic. However, it is soon expected to rise to pre-COVID levels and even beyond. With support from the government's Heal in India initiative, the industry is expected to reach \$13 billion by 2026. The initiative focuses on promoting the country's medical facilities, infrastructure, and expertise in a range of medical treatments, including traditional Ayurvedic and modern Western medicine. The Heal in India initiative aims to leverage India's reputation for high-quality medical care and low costs to attract medical tourists from around the world. For example, a hip replacement surgery in the United States can cost upwards of \$40,000, while the same surgery in India can cost as little as \$10,000. Other reasons include a minimum waiting period, premium hospitality services, easy air connectivity and more. India had also been featured on the list of top destinations with the best hotels for wellness across Asia in 2015, and ever since, this industry has seen a boom. Goa, New Delhi, Mumbai, Ahmedabad, and Chennai are said to be the best to relish a rejuvenating experience through India's wellness and medical tourism centers. Overall, India is a popular destination for medical tourism due to its high-quality medical care, low costs, and rich cultural experience. As the country continues to develop its medical tourism industry, it is likely that more and more people will choose to travel to India for medical treatment in the future.

Google CEO Sundar Pichai met PM Modi and announced exciting new projects and features

Google and Alphabet CEO Sundar Pichai met Prime Minister Narendra Modi and discussed India's growing innovation and technological sphere. Pichai said India is emerging as a big sphere for technology and will soon become a big export economy. He also thanked PM Modi for the continued partnership with Google and showed his support for India's G20 presidency. "Look forward to continuing our strong partnership and supporting India's G20 presidency to advance an open, connected internet that works for all", he tweeted. Pichai came to India for the Google for India 2022 event, where he praised the government's Digital India vision and said it has immensely helped Google bring a slew of projects which have helped the company strengthen its progress across the country. Google hosts a Google for India event annually to announce new projects and updates to its products and services. In the eighth edition of its event, which took place on December 19, Google announced many new features and upcoming projects, including AI, a new multi-search feature, YouTube courses and more. During the event, Pichai also met Ashwini Vaishnaw, Minister of Railways, Communications and Electronics & Information Technology and thanked for all the growing opportunities. "Glad to be able to see it up close, and I'm already looking forward to my next visit," the Google CEO concluded in his speech at the event.

108th ISC:

“Increasing participation of women is proof that women and science are both progressing in the nation”



The 108th session of the Indian Science Congress was held between January 3-7, 2023. The focal theme of this year's ISC was „Science and Technology for Sustainable Development with Women Empowerment,” which witnessed discussions on sustainable development, women empowerment and the role of science and technology in achieving this. Expressing happiness about the theme of the Science Congress, which combines sustainable development with women empowerment, Prime Minister Narendra Modi emphasized the complementarity between the two areas. However, he stressed, “Our thinking is not just that we should empower women via science but also empowering science by the contribution of women.” Highlighting the women who showcase their strength to the world, be it in a partnership in small industries and businesses or leadership in the start-up world, the Prime Minister gave the example of Mudra Yojna, which has been instrumental in empowering women of India. He also pointed out the doubling of women's participation in the field of extramural research and development. “The increasing participation of women is proof that women and science are both progressing in the nation,” Shri Modi said. Modi also said India is now one of the top three countries in the world when it comes to the number of PhD research works and start-up ecosystems. The country is now ranked 40th on the Global Innovation Index 2022, up from 81st in 2015. The Prime Minister also noted that it is a matter of pride for every citizen that on India's call, the United Nations has declared the year 2023 as the International Year of Millets. He pointed out that work can be done to improve India's millets and its use while effective steps can be taken by the scientific community to reduce post-harvest losses with the help of biotechnology.

J&K has turned from 'terrorist hotspot' to 'tourist hotspot': MHA on the transformation in recent years

The security forces fighting terrorism in Jammu and Kashmir have made it possible to change from a "terrorist hotspot" to a "tourism hotspot," the Ministry of Home Affairs (MHA) has said citing remarks made by Union Home Minister Amit Shah in 2022. According to the MHA's annual review for the year, Home Minister Shah recognized the security services' contributions to maintaining peace and order and preventing violence on the streets of Jammu and Kashmir. The review, released in Tuesday, also highlights a notable decrease in terror attacks and the number of casualties sustained by government troops in the area. The ministry quoted the Home Minister explaining the importance of abrogating Article 370 in Jammu and Kashmir - "Earlier the explanation of Jamhooriyat in Kashmir was only 3 families, 87 MLAs and 6 MPs but Shri Modi has connected 30,000 people with Jamhooriyat by taking democracy to the village Panch, Sarpanch, BDC and Zilla Panchayat." "Earlier due to Article 370, Gurjar-Bakarwal and Paharis could not get the benefit of reservation in education, elections and jobs, but now after the removal of Article 370, they will all get reservation," Amit Shah added. The MHA review noted that more than 22 lakh visitors traveled to the Union Territory (UT) in 2022, far more than in any prior year, and the number of terror events in J&K declined from 417 in 2018 to 229 in 2021, with the number of security personnel killed decreasing from 91 in 2018 to 42 in 2021. The ministry said that the increase in tourists has helped thousands of young people find work, and the stone-pelting incidents have also decreased. The annual review also said that Union Home and Cooperation Minister Amit Shah officially opened and laid the foundation stone for 240 development projects costing around Rs 2,000 crores in Srinagar on December 5, 2022. Additionally, 63 hydroelectricity projects totaling Rs 80,000 crore have been finished under the PM's Development Package for Jammu and Kashmir.

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Inauguration of the 2-month-long exhibition showcasing the products, of the ODOP (One District One Product) initiative of the Government of India

On the Occasion of the 74th Republic Day of India, the Embassy of India in cooperation with the Ethnographical Museum in Zagreb inaugurated a 2-month long exhibition showcasing the products, of the highly successful and empowering ODOP (One District One Product) initiative of the Government of India. The event witnessed speeches by Ms Goranka Horjan, Director of the Ethnographic Museum in Zagreb, Ambassador of India to Croatia Mr. Raj Kumar Srivastava & Guest of Honour, Director of the Directorate for Archives, Libraries and Museums; Ms Anuška Deranja Crnokić on behalf of the Minister of Culture and Media of the Republic of Croatia, Ms Nina Obuljen Koržinek as her emissary. The event highlighted the strong India-Croatia ties in the field of Culture. Ambassador Srivastava referred that the "One District One Product" (ODOP) as a transformational step towards realising the true potential of a district by converting each district of the country into a manufacturing and export hub, fuelling economic growth, generating employment and rural entrepreneurship, taking us to the goal of Self-reliant India. It is an initiative to empower the people which democratises opportunity creating human-centric growth through human-centric governance & human-centric globalisation. Also, the event announced the theme of India's G20 Presidency "Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam" or One Earth, One Family, One Future, which affirms the value of all life possible. Lastly, the exhibition has a special section highlighting the International Year of the Millet 2023, declared by the United Nations. This event was attended by several distinguished guests from Croatia and high dignities from various countries & ministries of Croatia.





In the exhibition space where ODOP (One District One Product) was showcased, events have been organized as part of the Night of the Museum culture program.



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