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**Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat**

## Sardar Patel's Vision Takes Shape

**Incidents of Terrorism, Naxalism Down by 65% Under Modi Govt**



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## From the Editor



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Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji emphasises that National Unity Day is a celebration of the country's strength of unity, brought to life by the youth and soldiers.

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**S**ardar Vallabhbhai Patel, Independent India's first Deputy Prime Minister, endorsed the idea that true strength emanates when people unite in harmony. He firmly believed that for accomplishing any significant task, both strength and conviction are essential. In honour of his principles, Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji launched the 'Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat' initiative on October 31, 2015, while commemorating Sardar Patel's 140th birth anniversary.

The initiative nurtures a deeper understanding of the diverse cultures, traditions, and practices across India's States and Union Territories. It furthers the exchange of folk culture, languages and ideas, strengthening the fabric of national unity. Kevadia in Gujarat, home to the Statue of Unity, has become a symbol of this unity, threading the nation together.

The unity and integrity of a nation are deficient without sturdy external and internal security. The 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' campaign, honouring soldiers who sacrificed their lives for the country, instils a new perspective. The campaign's concluding ceremony on Kartavya Path attended by Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi Ji, Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation Shri Amit Shah Ji and other eminent personalities, celebrated the spirit of unity among India's youth and soldiers.

Meanwhile, the Ministry of Home Affairs marked the 'Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav', a reminder of our collective journey, struggles and triumphs since Independence. Over the last 76 years, India has transitioned from 'Rajpath' to 'Kartavya Path'. The Union Home Minister said that with 'Azadi ka Amrit Mahotsav', the Prime Minister has kindled a sense of national pride and reverence for our heroes and martyrs in people's hearts.

The Central Armed Police Forces and Central Police Organisations (CPOs) have shown exemplary performance, ensuring internal security and border protection. Cultural, social and sports activities are unifying the nation, a befitting tribute to the brave soldiers who secure our country.

In this 14<sup>th</sup> issue of 'Vigilant India', we have highlighted the Union Government-led efforts towards unity in diversity. We invite your feedback on these initiatives at [sajag-bharat@bprd.nic.in](mailto:sajag-bharat@bprd.nic.in)

Jai Hind!



15 अगस्त को लाल किले पर होने वाला आयोजन, 26 जनवरी को कर्तव्य पथ की परेड और 31 अक्टूबर को स्टैच्यू ऑफ यूनिटी के सान्निध्य में राष्ट्रीय एकता दिवस का कार्यक्रम, ये तीनों राष्ट्र के उत्थान की त्रिशक्ति बन गए हैं।



**श्री नरेन्द्र मोदी, प्रधानमंत्री**



विगत दिनों में एनडीआरएफ के माध्यम से अलग-अलग पुलिस फोर्स के जवानों ने दुनियाभर में आपदा प्रबंधन में नाम कमाया है। कितनी भी बड़ी आपदा हो, जब एनडीआरएफ का जवान वहां पहुंचता है, तो लोगों के अंदर एक भरोसा आता है कि अब कोई दिक्कत नहीं है, एनडीआरएफ आ गयी है।



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



जब देश आजादी के 100 साल मनाएगा, तब तक भारत को विकसित देश बनाना है। आजादी के 100 साल पूरे होने पर देश इस विशेष दिवस को याद करेगा। हमने जो संकल्प लिया, हमने आने वाली पीढ़ी से जो वादे किए, उसे हमें पूरा करना ही होगा। इसलिए हमें अपने प्रयास तेज करने हैं।



**श्री नित्यानंद राय  
केंद्रीय गृह राज्य मंत्री**



एक ऐसी यात्रा जो हमारे देश के प्रति त्याग व बलिदान की भावना को सुशोभित करती है, #AmritKalashYatra का हिस्सा बनने पर मुझे गर्व है। समस्त भारत देश से इक्कट्टा की गई मिट्टी व चावल हमारे देश के प्रति समर्पण के भाव का प्रमाण हैं।



**श्री निशिय प्रमाणिक  
केंद्रीय गृह राज्य मंत्री**



पुलिस स्मृति दिवस पर शहीदों को नमन, आपके सर्वोच्च बलिदान और वीरता की स्मृतियाँ सदैव प्रेरणाप्रद हैं।



**श्री अजय मिश्रा  
केंद्रीय गृह राज्य मंत्री**



गृह मंत्री श्री अमित शाह ने दिल्ली के मेजर ध्यानचंद स्टेडियम में राष्ट्रीय एकता दिवस के अवसर पर एकता दौड़ को फ्लैग ऑफ किया और उपस्थित लोगों को राष्ट्रीय एकता की शपथ भी दिलाई।



**गृह मंत्रालय  
भारत सरकार**





**Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat**

# Sardar Patel's Vision Takes Shape

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**S**ardar Patel gave us 'Ek Bharat'. It is now the solemn duty of all Indians to collectively make Shreshtha Bharat," Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi reminded the people of India on October 31, 2015, while commemorating the birth anniversary of the first Union Home Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, who was instrumental in unifying the country by merging 562 Princely States into the Indian Union.

In order to fulfil the goals of national unity inspired by Sardar Patel's vision, Prime Minister Shri Modi announced a solemn mission of 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' on that day. The purpose of the programme was to further strengthen the connection between the people of the States and Union Territories of the country, to enhance mutual understanding and bonding among people of diverse cultures for our unity amidst diversity.

In 2014, the Union Government led by Prime Minister Shri Modi announced Sardar Patel's birthday to be celebrated as 'National Unity Day' and the Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat campaign became an instrument on the ground to fulfil the

The 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat' initiative emphasises that true unity can be achieved only through the cultural unity of the nation.

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



goals of national unity through cultural exchanges among the States. While launching the Ek Bharat, Shreshtha Bharat initiative, the Prime Minister had propounded that cultural diversity was a joy that ought to be celebrated through mutual interaction and reciprocity between people of different States and Union Territories.

Embracing the principle of 'Vasudhaiva Kutumbakam', the Prime Minister aims to establish harmony across the world too, and seeks to carve new dimensions of development by bringing the country and the world together on one platform.

Like in previous years, Prime Minister Shri Modi paid his tribute to Sardar Patel on his 148<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary on October 31. He stated that Sardar Patel gave a new dimension to our country's destiny with his indomitable spirit, visionary political skills and extraordinary dedication. In his post, the Prime Minister wrote, "On Sardar Patel's birth anniversary, we remember him for giving a new dimension to our country's destiny. His commitment to national unity always guides us and we will always be indebted to his

service." A grand ceremony was organised in Kevadia, Gujarat, to convey the message of 'Unity in Diversity'. On this occasion, development projects worth ₹160 crore were also launched.

The inaugurated projects included a heritage train from Ekta Nagar to Ahmedabad, a project related to the live Narmada Aarti, Kamalam Park, a pedestrian path within the Statue of Unity, 30 new e-buses, 210 e-cycles, a city gas distribution network in Ekta Nagar and the Sahakar Bhavan of the Gujarat State Cooperative Bank. Additionally, the Prime Minister laid the foundation stone for a trauma centre and a sub-district hospital equipped with solar panels in Kevadia.

Earlier in the day, Prime Minister Shri Modi participated in the National Unity Day celebration parade. The parade included contingents from the Border Security Force (BSF) and various state police, an adventurous show by the Central Reserve Police Force's (CRPF) female bikers, a women's pipe band of the BSF, a choreographed performance by the Gujarat Police, a special NCC show, school band performances, and a flypast by the Indian Air Force demonstrating





**India is a kaleidoscope of cultures, traditions and languages. It has always been more than a geographical entity; it is a sentiment, a myriad of emotions intertwined with histories stretching back millennia. Amidst its colourful tapestry lies the age-old philosophy of 'Unity in Diversity', echoing in every alley, every folk song and every dance form.**

the economic viability of vibrant villages. Addressing a gathering, the Prime Minister said that National Unity Day celebrates the power of unity of India's youth and its warriors. Despite different languages, cultures and traditions, every individual in the country is bound by the strong thread of unity.

"There are many pearls, but the necklace is one. We may be diverse, but we are united", the Prime Minister said, adding that just as August 15 and January 26 are recognised as Independence Day and Republic Day respectively, October 31 has also become a festival of unity across the country. The celebration of Independence Day at the Red Fort, the Republic Day Parade at Kartavya Path and the National Unity Day celebration in the vicinity of the Statue of Unity at the banks of the Narmada have become a trinity of national resurgence.

Prime Minister Shri Modi said that visitors to Ekta Nagar (Kevadia) not only marvel at the Statue of Unity but also get glimpses of Sardar Patel's life and his contribution to India's national unity. The Statue of Unity represents the ideals of 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat'. He emphasised that the creation of the Unity Wall using a mixture of soils from different parts of India at Kartavya Path is symbolic of this intermixing of people of different parts of the country for national unity. In fact, after gaining Independence, the biggest effort towards unity in the country was made by Sardar Patel by integrating Princely States into India's federal system.

On October 31, 2022, Prime Minister Shri Modi had said that Sardar Patel's birth anniversary and Unity Day are not just dates on the calendar; they are a grand celebration of India's cultural strength. The Prime





Minister, who was in Kevadia, emphasised that unity is essential at every level, whether it be the family, society or the country. “The entire country is drawing inspiration from Sardar Patel’s firm resolve. Every citizen is taking the pledge to awaken the nation’s unity. It is difficult to imagine what the situation would have been like if our freedom struggle had not been led by leaders such as Sardar Patel. What would have happened if the integration of more than 550 Princely States had not taken place?” he said.

The Prime Minister credited Sardar Patel for envisioning that every Indian would have equal opportunities and a feeling of equality. “Today, the country is witnessing the realisation of that dream”, he added.

During the last nine years, India has prioritised every section of society that had been neglected

## Janjatiya Gaurav Divas

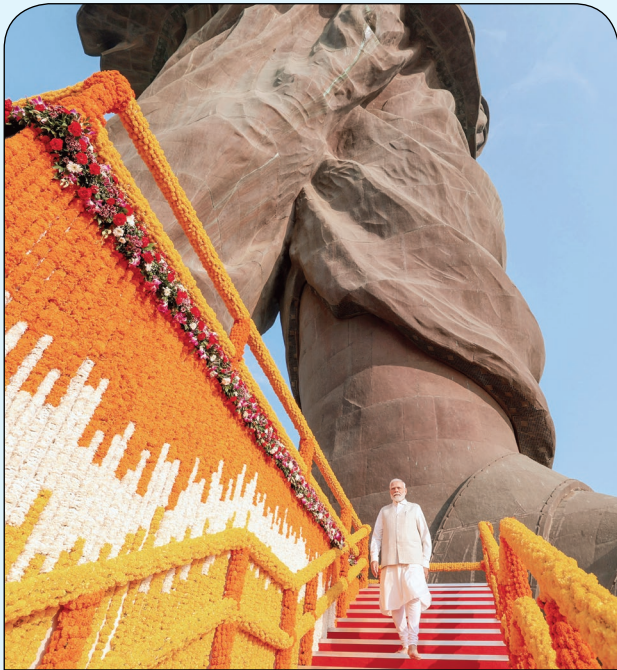
Under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, the Government has declared November 15 as ‘Janjatiya Gaurav Divas’ to commemorate the significant contributions of tribal communities in the country. In 2021, the Union Cabinet officially endorsed November 15 as ‘Tribal Pride Day’ as part of the commemoration of 75 years of India’s Independence, aiming to pay homage to courageous tribal freedom fighters. The date coincides with the birth anniversary of freedom fighter Bhagwan Birsa Munda. The celebration not only honours all tribal freedom fighters but also seeks to invigorate efforts for the socio-economic development of tribal areas and communities. The observance of ‘Janjatiya Gaurav Divas’ marks a commitment to ensure essential facilities, employment and education for tribal populations residing in remote areas and villages. As a sign of respect to the tribal community, the garden at the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D) headquarters in New Delhi has been named ‘Birsa Munda Udyan’.

for decades. The country has started the tradition of celebrating ‘Janjatiya Gaurav Divas’ on the birth anniversary of Bhagwan Birsa Munda on November 15 to recognise the prideful place of the tribals in India. The Prime Minister said that tribal museums are being constructed in many States across the country. He urged the countrymen to learn about the history of Managarh Dham and Jambughoda.

Prime Minister Shri Modi has said on several occasions that people across the country have always had a clear concept of the nation and that Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat has been prevalent for thousands of years in practice. Whether it was Adi Shankaracharya centuries ago or Swami Vivekananda in modern times, India has always stood for Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat.

The establishment of the Ramakrishna Mission is also linked to the idea of ‘Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat’. The Ramakrishna Mission has carried out extensive relief and rescue work all over the world, he said.

During a programme organised on the 125<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Ramakrishna Math in April, the Prime Minister had said that on the famous rock in Kanyakumari, Swami Vivekananda had searched for



the purpose of his life, which changed him and its impact was felt in Chicago. Later, when he returned from the West, he first set foot on the sacred land of Tamil Nadu. The king of Ramnad honoured Swami Vivekananda with great enthusiasm, and when the Swami came to Chennai, it was a very special event. Swami Vivekananda, hailing from Bengal, was welcomed as a hero in Tamil Nadu. This occurred long before India gained Independence. It shows people across the country have always had a clear concept

of India. For thousands of years, the sentiment of ‘Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat’ has been a cornerstone in India’s unity.

The Union Government’s philosophy is also inspired by Swami Vivekananda, the Prime Minister said. “Earlier, even basic facilities were considered a privilege of a few. Many people were deprived of the benefits of progress. Now, the door of development is open for everyone”, he added.

Over time, various traditions have developed in the country for unification of the nation in accordance with the circumstances. These traditions enhance the strength of our culture and continually rejuvenate it.

After the abrogation of Article 370 and 35A in Jammu and Kashmir, the efforts of the Union Government brought many aspects of the region to the attention of the country. The people began to benefit from Central Government programmes, the Prime Minister said.

India is a country made up of various cultures, languages, dialects and arts, but if one looks closely, the soul of all these is one, and that is the soul of India. On December 16, 2022, at Banaras Hindu University, the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, said that by organising the Kashi Tamil Sangamam, Prime Minister Shri Modi has made an excellent effort in the year of the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence to rejuvenate the cultural unity of India. Referring to history, the Union Home Minister said that after coming from the south, Adi Shankaracharya received acceptance for his Brahma Sutra Bhasya among the scholars of Kashi. ■

## Kashi Tamil Sangamam Harmonises Cultural Diversity



The Kashi Tamil Sangamam was inaugurated by Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi on November 17, 2022, under the auspices of the Union Ministry of Education and the Ministry of Culture and culminated on December 16, 2022, with an address by the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah. The event also saw the presence of Union Education Minister Shri Dharmendra Pradhan and Uttar Pradesh Chief Minister Shri Yogi Adityanath. Various organisations, including the Uttar Pradesh Government, played a cooperative role in making this event a success, with Banaras Hindu University and IIT Madras acting as special partners. The primary objective of this event was to rekindle the ancient bonds between Tamil Nadu and Kashi. The festival witnessed active participation from over 2,500 delegates representing diverse backgrounds, including classical and folk artistes, writers, entrepreneurs, farmers, religious leaders, and athletes from Tamil Nadu.



# An Enduring Legacy



**Sardar Patel played a crucial role in crafting the modern map of India, uniting more than 550 Princely States within a brief span of time. This remarkable accomplishment, achieved shortly after Independence, solidified India's standing on the world stage.**

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**F**ollowing the departure of the British in 1947, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel undertook the monumental task of uniting more than 550 Princely States, crafting the present map of India. In honour of his contributions, his birth anniversary on October 31 is celebrated as 'National Unity Day' across the country.

To commemorate his 148<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary, the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, participated in various programmes. In the presence of President Smt Droupadi Murmu, Vice-President Shri Jagdeep Dhankhar, Minister of State for External Affairs and Culture Meenakshi Lekhi and Delhi Lieutenant Governor VK Saxena, Shri Shah paid tributes to Sardar Patel at his statue in Patel Chowk, New Delhi. Additionally, the Union Home Minister flagged off the 'Unity Run' at Major Dhyan Chand National Stadium, which was organised as part of the 'National Unity Day' festivities.

Reflecting on Sardar Patel's contributions, Shri Shah said that since 2014, the entire nation has annually observed his birthday as 'Unity Day'.

Highlighting the visionary role played by Sardar Patel, Shri Shah underscored the transformative impact Patel had on shaping India's current map. He stressed on the fact that post-Independence, Sardar Patel's determined





efforts swiftly united 562 Princely States, establishing India's respected global position.

According to Shri Shah, Patel's resolute commitment, patriotic duty and firm intentions have paved the way for realising the vision of 'Ek Bharat Shreshtha Bharat'.

The Union Home Minister shared Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's call to the nation during the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, urging collective determination and effort over the 25 years between the 75<sup>th</sup> and 100<sup>th</sup> year of Independence for significant

accomplishments. He emphasised the need for a collective pledge from the 140 crore people of India to build a nation that excels in every global domain by the year 2047 when India celebrates the centenary of Independence.

Shri Shah said that Sardar Patel was a 'Karma Yogi', who translated his vision into reality. He continuously worked for India's Independence, the creation of a united India and laying the foundation of a 'New India'. For a long time, attempts were made to diminish his legacy as it took many years to honour him with the Bharat Ratna, build his memorial and create an inspiration for young children by compiling his thoughts.

Acknowledging Sardar Patel's monumental role in uniting India from Kashmir to Kanyakumari, the Home Minister expressed gratitude, noting that the country can never fully repay his debt. He also highlighted Prime Minister Shri Modi's tribute to Patel through the construction of the world's tallest statue in Kevadia in Gujarat.

Shri Shah said that it is the result of Sardar Patel's determination, devotion to duty towards the nation and intentions as solid as iron that today India stands with respect in front of the world after 76 years of Independence. He said it was Sardar Sahib who with his skillful and unique political acumen united the whole country. "Even at that time anti-national forces had left no stone unturned in dividing the country, but it was due to the efforts of Sardar Sahib, that we see the integrated map of India, as it is today", he said. ■





# Sacred Soil

The 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' campaign culminated on the iconic Kartavya Path in New Delhi. The campaign showcased the strength of 'Unity in Diversity'.

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**T**he essence of Indian soil goes beyond the ordinary; it embodies intimacy and spirituality, forming a profound connection with the soul of every individual. Each patch of soil, collected from every corner of the country, carries its distinctive character.

The 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' campaign serves as a tribute to those who made the ultimate sacrifice for the nation. Thousands of Amrit Kalash, bearing soil from various regions, arrived in the national capital, symbolising the collective sense of duty. It evoked a sense of responsibility in every citizen, inspiring them to contribute towards the realisation of a developed India.

As part of the campaign, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi laid the foundation of 'Amrit Vatika' and 'Amrit Mahotsav' memorial. These landmarks

Numerous illustrious civilisations have met their demise, but there exists a profound consciousness within the soil of India that has safeguarded this nation since time immemorial and continues to do so.

**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Prime Minister

are crafted from soil collected from across the nation, symbolising unity. The campaign culminated on 'National Unity Day' on October 31 at the Kartavya Path in New Delhi, drawing in countless youth from every corner of the country. A total of 8,500 Amrit Kalash





from diverse regions reached Delhi, accompanied by lakhs of Indians taking the 'Panch Pran' pledge and sharing selfies on the campaign website.

During the closing ceremony, Prime Minister Shri Modi introduced the 'Mera Yuva Bharat' platform, specifically designed for the youth of the nation. The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, also actively participated in the event.

In his address, the Prime Minister, drawing from a Sanskrit verse, emphasised that the conclusion of one chapter marks the beginning of something new. He associated the launch of 'Mera Yuva Bharat' with the culmination of Amrit Mahotsav, declaring it as the embodiment of India's youth power. Stressing the platform's potential to unite the youth and foster maximum participation in nation-building, he launched the Mera Yuva Bharat website. He urged the youth to engage with the platform, infuse India with fresh energy and propel the nation forward.

Significantly, the Amrit Mahotsav has bridged historical gaps for future generations, marking the completion of a transformative journey from the Rajpath to the Kartavya Path during the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav campaign. The Prime Minister emphasised the aspiration to set a new record for public participation in this monumental celebration, linking the significance of the Dandi March reigniting the flame of Independence with the resolution embodied in the 75-year development journey of Amrit Kaal.

Despite India's Independence, enduring symbols of past subjugation persisted for many years, only to be eradicated under the adept leadership of the

Prime Minister. Examples include the installation of Netaji Subhas Bose's statue at India Gate, the introduction of the new Navy insignia, the renaming of islands in Andaman and Nicobar and the declaration of Tribal Pride Day. Shri Shah engaged in the closing ceremony of the Meri Maati, Mera Desh campaign. On this occasion, he highlighted the significance of Sardar Patel's birth anniversary, noting the collection of sacred soil from across the country. Shri Shah underscored Prime Minister Shri Modi's linkage of this vision with two major programmes, marking the commencement of Amrit Kaal with the conclusion of the two lakh programmes under the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence.

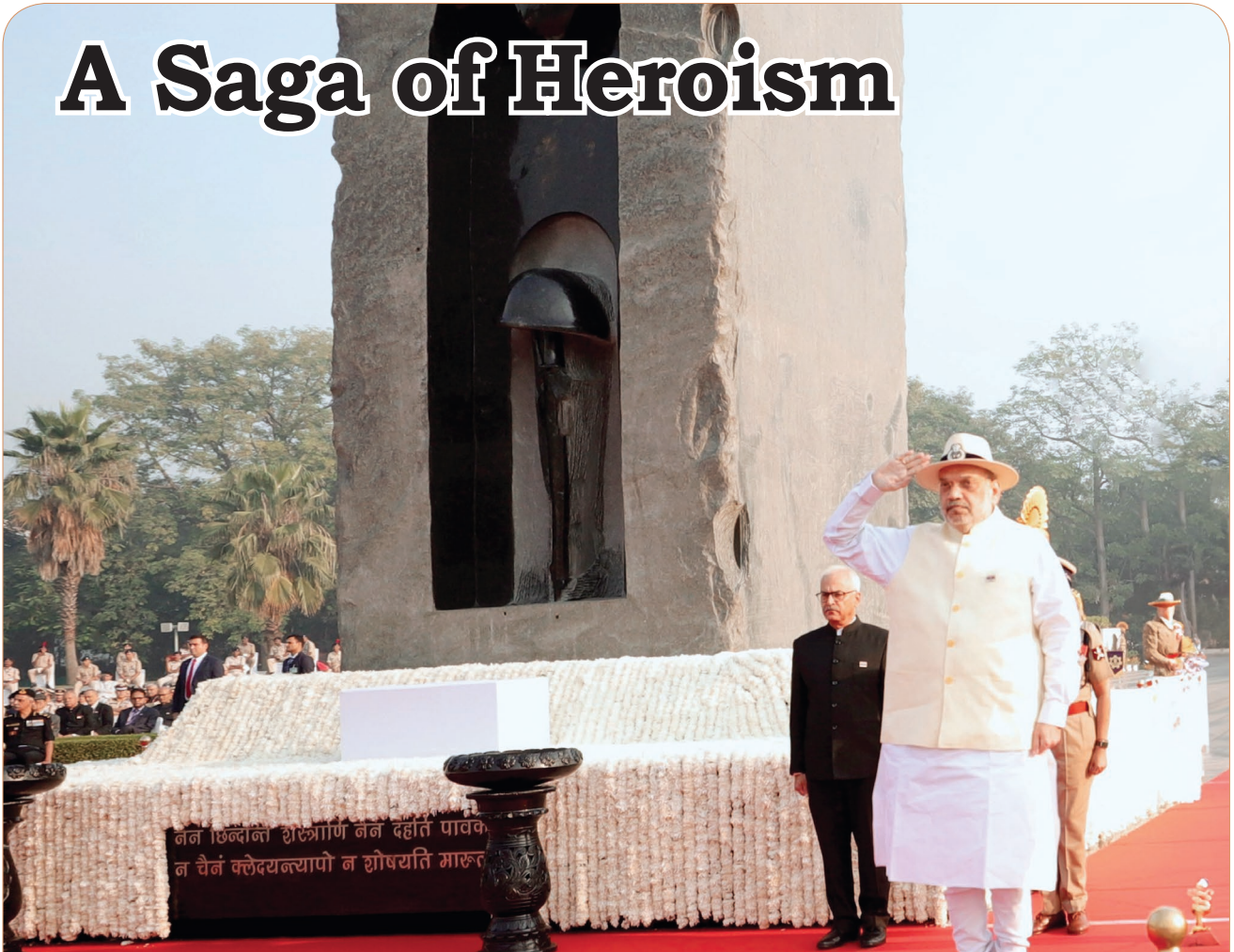
The coming 25 years, leading up to the centenary of Independence, present an opportunity to pledge towards making the country preeminent globally, prosperous and secure.

Shri Shah emphasised that Prime Minister Modi has galvanised national consciousness through over two lakh programmes during the Amrit Mahotsav of Independence, presenting resolutions that articulate the commitment to shape a great India.

During the event, the Prime Minister bestowed the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav Awards to the top three performing States/Union Territories and Ministries/Departments. Jammu and Kashmir, Gujarat, and jointly third-ranked Haryana and Rajasthan secured the top positions, while the Ministry of External Affairs, Defence Ministry, and jointly third-ranked Ministry of Railways and Ministry of Education excelled among the ministries. ■



# A Saga of Heroism



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**O**n October 21, 1959, the CRPF faced an intense and sudden ambush by a sizable Chinese force at the Hot Springs area in northeastern Ladakh. The determined CRPF unit, despite being vastly outnumbered, held their ground. The skirmish led to the tragic loss of 10 brave CRPF personnel.

Even when faced with superior numbers and weaponry, their bravery was unmatched. The 10 soldiers who made the ultimate sacrifice that day not only immortalised Hot Springs as a sacred ground for the CRPF, but also marked the date as a day of remembrance for the entire paramilitary force. This fateful day is now remembered and honoured as 'Police Commemoration Day' across India.

In its formative years, the CRPF was tasked with the perilous mission of safeguarding the Indo-Tibetan border near Aksai Chin. Their dedication and sacrifices

**The Central Reserve Police Force (CRPF) is known for courage. Since its inception, it has been a repository of numerous tales of valour and triumph.**

during this period remain a beacon of inspiration. Since 1953, a company of the CRPF assumed the duty of monitoring Leh in Ladakh and its adjoining border posts. Despite the challenging conditions—the vastness of the Aksai Chin region, the formidable terrain, the desolation of the barren mountains, and the piercing cold winds—the CRPF remained undeterred in their vigil.

The martyred soldiers were Imam Singh, Puran Singh, Narbu Lamba, Bejraj Mal, Makhan Lal, Shivnath, Hanjeet Subba, Dharam Singh, Sharwan Das and Tshering Bolkhu Norbu. ■

# Unity Symbols Adorn Delhi

Symbols have the power to evoke strong emotions, create a shared sense of identity, and unite people under a common cause. In the context of India's diverse population with various cultures, religions, and languages, symbols can serve as a unifying force, reminding citizens of their common history and shared values.

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**S**ymbols play a crucial role in establishing unity and promoting a sense of national pride. In the case of New Delhi, India's capital city, various landmarks have been strategically placed to convey powerful messages of unity, thus celebrating the nation's heritage and values.

Each of these landmarks represents a unique aspect of unity and serves as a testament to India's collective spirit. They symbolise the country's progress over the years and national pride. The presence of these symbols not only adds to the identity of New Delhi as the capital city of the nation but also reinforces the beauty of Unity in Diversity. It is through these landmarks and symbols that the message of unity is spread, and they become points of pride for citizens, fostering a sense of belonging and loyalty to the nation. These symbols are instrumental in strengthening the fabric of a country and promoting a cohesive society.

## Kartavya Path

Kartavya Path is a ceremonial avenue that stretches from Rashtrapati Bhavan (the President's official residence) to India Gate. Kartavya Path is also a walkway designed to symbolise the importance of duty and responsibility towards the nation. It serves as a reminder to citizens of their roles as responsible individuals and the unity that comes from fulfilling one's duties towards



society and the country. Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated Kartavya Path on September 8, 2022. Earlier this area was known as Rajpath.





## Netaji's Statue

The statue of Netaji Subhas Chandra Bose stands tall at the historic India Gate, which is also situated on the Kartavya Path. India Gate is a prominent war memorial that commemorates the soldiers who sacrificed their lives during World War I and the Third Anglo-Afghan War. Netaji's statue at India Gate pays tribute to the iconic freedom fighter and unites people from all over India in honouring his dedication to the country's Independence struggle.

## Amrit Udyan

Amrit Udyan, meaning the Garden of Immortals, is located within the sprawling complex of the Rashtrapati Bhavan. Earlier it was known as Mughal Garden, but with a view to commemorate Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav it is renamed as Amrit Udyan. This serene green space serves as a symbolic representation of national pride

and unity. It fosters a harmonious connection with the environment and promotes a collective responsibility towards environmental conservation.

## National War Memorial

The National War Memorial is located at India Gate, near the eastern end of the Kartavya Path. It is a poignant monument that honours the sacrifice and valour of Indian soldiers who laid down their lives for the nation. The memorial is a powerful symbol of unity, as people from all corners of India come together at this site to pay tributes to their fallen heroes.

## National Police Memorial

The National Police Memorial located at Chanakypuri is dedicated to the police personnel who made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty. It serves as a reminder of the unity of India's police force, working tirelessly to uphold law and order. ■



# Integrated Database to Boost Internal Security

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**T**he Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, highlighted the need for a shift in police approach, urging a move from reactive and retaliatory policing to preventive, proactive and predictive strategies. Emphasising a transition from a zero-tolerance policy to a comprehensive strategy and action against all kinds of terrorism, he also highlighted the pivotal role of technology to boost internal security.

The Home Minister said Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's launching of the 'Police Technology Mission' aims to position the Indian Police at the forefront of embracing technology. The mission focuses on practical technology utilisation, ensuring the police stay two steps ahead of criminals.

Addressing the 75 RR Indian Police Service (IPS) batch at Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel National Police Academy's convocation ceremony on October 27 in Hyderabad, the Union Home Minister emphasised the need for officers to concentrate on their duties without being swayed by fame. He encouraged them to maintain sensitivity by respecting local language, traditions and history at their postings, advocating a departure from rigid approach.

Shri Shah proudly announced that a woman officer has been honoured with the 'Best Trainee Officer Award', marking a significant achievement. In a historic moment for the Academy, Ranjita Sharma, a woman probationer from Dahina village in Rewari district, Haryana, was bestowed with the IPS Association Sword of Honour award for the first time.

Shri Shah emphasised the enduring legacy of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, the country's first Home Minister. He highlighted Sardar Patel's role in establishing a robust police system.

Sardar Patel's vision for a strong All India Service, capable of freely expressing its views, resonates with the ethos of the IPS cadre, the Home Minister said. He underscored Sardar Patel's belief that the institute should focus on setting traditions for future



**As technology evolves, new challenges arise, especially in the realm of internal security. The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, highlighted the necessity for cutting-edge technology, stating that the Union Government is establishing a comprehensive database for internal security using the principle of 'One Data, One Entry'.**

generations rather than dwelling in the past.

Reflecting on the Academy's growth, Shri Shah noted that IPS officers graduating over the past 75 years have contributed selflessly, fortifying both internal and border security. Addressing the 75<sup>th</sup> batch of trainees, he emphasised their responsibility to build upon the legacy and contribute to its further enrichment. The 175 trainees included 34 women officers and 20 foreign officers from Bhutan, Maldives, Mauritius and Nepal. ■

# Namo Bharat: Another Pioneering Journey

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**U**nveiling the country's inaugural RapidX train, Namo Bharat, Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi said that the train will offer a glimpse into 'New India'. The Namo Bharat train embodies the aspirations of a revitalised India, marking a momentous occasion for the entire nation, he added.

During an address following the inauguration of the RapidX train service from Sahibabad to Duhai depot in Ghaziabad district, the Prime Minister urged the citizens to consider the Railways as their collective asset.

Prime Minister Shri Modi emphasised that the Namo Bharat train will serve as a defining symbol of 'New India'. He said, "The 21<sup>st</sup> Century India is scripting its own narrative of progress and advancement across all domains". Drawing a connection to the auspicious occasion of Navratri, he noted that Namo Bharat carries the blessings of Mata Katyayani. Furthermore, he highlighted the noteworthy fact that the support staff and locomotive pilots in the newly inaugurated Namo Bharat train are all women.

Prime Minister Shri Modi also acknowledged India's recent accomplishments, such as the successful Chandrayaan-3 mission that garnered global attention, the effective hosting of the G20 Summit, the impressive performance of Indian athletes with over 100 medals at the Asian Games in China, the introduction and expansion of 5G technology and the record-breaking surge in digital transactions.

The Prime Minister personally assumed the role of the first passenger on the Namo Bharat train, getting a digital ticket and embarking on the journey.

The rapid train is designed to reach a speed of 180 kmph, with an operational speed of 160 kmph.

The Prime Minister underscored how the nation's landscape has transformed due to our economic prowess. The initial 80-kilometre stretch from Delhi to Meerut marks just the beginning, as the Namo Bharat trains will soon connect various regions in Delhi, Uttar Pradesh, Haryana and Rajasthan in the first phase. He articulated plans for replicating a similar system in



The Amrit Bharat, Vande Bharat and Namo Bharat trains will soon become symbols of modernisation of the Indian Railways.

**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Prime Minister

other parts of the country to enhance connectivity and generate employment opportunities.

Highlighting the need to mitigate pollution in urban centres, the Prime Minister noted the expanding network of electric buses nationwide. The Union Government has initiated a scheme to furnish 10,000 electric buses to States, with plans to deploy over 1,300 electric buses in Delhi alone at a cost of ₹600 crore. Over 850 electric buses have already commenced operations in Delhi and the Government is extending assistance of ₹500 crore for more than 1,200 electric buses in Bengaluru.

The Prime Minister affirmed the Union Government's commitment to promote modern and eco-friendly public transport. ■



# Empowering the Youth

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**P** rime Minister Shri Narendra Modi addressed a Rozgar Mela via video conferencing on October 28 and distributed more than 51,000 appointment letters to newly inducted recruits in various Government departments and agencies. The Rozgar Mela initiative, which began in October 2022, has been a significant success, providing jobs to millions of young individuals. It is in line with the Union Government's commitment to generate employment.

Prime Minister Shri Modi emphasised that the Union Government is focused on action and results, not just announcements. He stated that the Government was actively working towards fulfilling its promises.

The Prime Minister distributed appointment letters for positions in a variety of Government departments. The newly appointed youth, selected from various parts of the country, will be joining diverse Governmental sectors, including the Ministry of Home Affairs, Revenue Department, Ministry of Railways, Higher Education Department, Postal Department, School Education and Literacy Department.

The Prime Minister emphasised that employment fairs demonstrate the Government's strong commitment to youth empowerment. He said his Government operates in a mission mode, focusing on the future prospects of young people. Efforts are not limited to providing employment opportunities; there is also an emphasis on enhancing the transparency of the entire system. The Government has reformed the recruitment process, effectively reducing the Staff Selection Commission's recruitment cycle duration.

The Prime Minister elaborated on the Union Government's approach, which involves continuous monitoring, mission mode execution and encouraging public participation in Government schemes.

Prime Minister Shri Modi also highlighted the steps the Union Government has taken to dismantle language barriers. He said a significant reform aimed at benefiting the youth and the Staff Selection Commission has begun and a few examinations can now be given in 13 regional languages other than Hindi and English. This pivotal change has broadened job opportunities for a vast number of young people



Employment opportunities for the youth is a significant part of the nation-building process. Today, India is equipping them with skills and education to harness emerging opportunities. This is a vital step towards achieving the goal of a developed Bharat.

**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Prime Minister

who previously faced obstacles due to limitations of language in job applications, he said.

Prime Minister Shri Modi said that the nation's progress is directly linked to the empowerment of its youth. "India is currently equipping its young population to seize new opportunities through enhanced skill development and education. In response to the evolving needs of the future, the country has implemented a modern National Education Policy", he added. He said that artisans across the nation are sustaining their livelihoods through traditional crafts. To support and assist them, the PM Vishwakarma Scheme has been launched, aiming to integrate their conventional skills with modern technology. ■



# Bravehearts Honoured

**Incidents of Terrorism,  
Naxalism Decline by 65%  
Under the Modi Government**

The Union Government's commitment to counter terrorist activities is evident as it strives to establish itself as a global leader in anti-terrorism efforts. The launching of the 'Police Technology Mission', which is dedicated to modernise law enforcement is another step in the right direction.

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**W**ithout the dedicated service of our police force, the very foundation of security would crumble. Each day, our police officers set aside their personal challenges and concerns to safeguard our well-being. It is undeniable that a vigilant police system is indispensable for maintaining internal security in the country. The tireless efforts and sacrifices of the police personnel have always been in the service of the public, a commitment echoed by the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah.

On the occasion of Police Commemoration Day on October 21, Shri Shah paid homage to martyred soldiers at the National Police Memorial in New Delhi. Later, while addressing a gathering, he emphasised the contribution of the police forces in reducing terrorist and extremist violence. Expressing pride in their accomplishments, he cited a significant 65% decrease in incidents of terrorism and Naxalism over the past 10 years, crediting this success to the bravery of the police personnel. The event saw the presence of distinguished dignitaries, including the Union Minister of State for Home, Shri Ajay Kumar Mishra, and the Union Home Secretary, Shri Ajay Kumar Bhalla.





The Police Memorial serves as more than just a symbol; it stands as a poignant tribute to the sacrifice and dedication of our police officers in nation-building. Notably, the current regime remains wholeheartedly dedicated to the welfare of our police personnel and their family members.

Union Home Minister Shri Shah began his address by honouring 36,250 policemen who have laid down their lives in defence of our nation's internal and border security since Independence. He emphasised that India is making strides in various domains on the world stage today and the bedrock of this progress is the sacrifice of these martyrs, a sacrifice that the nation will forever hold in high regard. These words were directed at the families of the martyred policemen, reminding them that the country's gratitude for their sacrifices is firm.

Turning our attention to the importance of a vigilant police force, it is indisputable that no country can ensure internal and border security without the presence of an efficient police system. Among all individuals serving the nation, policemen bear the most challenging responsibilities.

Regardless of day or night, summer or winter, holidays or regular days — our police personnel do not have the luxury of celebrating festivals with their families. Moreover, they dedicate their prime years to safeguarding the nation's security, often staying separated from their families. Their commitment involves demonstrating courage, valour and sacrifice for the sake of the country's security and law and order. The duties of the police force encompass counter-terrorism efforts, crime prevention, crowd

Our Government has made sincere efforts to make timely changes in Ayushman-CAPF, Awas Yojana, CAPF e-Awas web portal, PM Scholarship Scheme, Central Ex-gratia, Disability Ex-gratia for the welfare of the police personnel.

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

control, disaster and accident management, as well as serving citizens on the frontlines during challenging times like the COVID-19 pandemic. Our dedicated policemen have consistently proven their mettle on every occasion. Over the past year, from September 1, 2022 to August 31, 2023, as many as 188 policemen have made the ultimate sacrifice in the line of duty to uphold the security and law and order of our nation.

In his speech, Shri Shah also highlighted Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi's vision of achieving 'Amrit Kaal' —by propelling the nation to a preeminent position across all domains in the next 25 years when we celebrate the centenary of India's Independence. To realise this goal, the 140 crore citizens of the country have collectively made resolutions and the amalgamation of these resolutions will undoubtedly propel us to the forefront on the global stage. ■

# India's New Narrative Gets Global Attention



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**O**n October 30, Gujarat witnessed another historic milestone as Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi inaugurated projects worth ₹5,800 crore in Mehsana. The projects spanned diverse sectors, including railways, roads, drinking water and irrigation. Emphasising the State's consistent development, the Prime Minister highlighted Gujarat's unique position of having already experienced the progress that the rest of the country is currently witnessing. He attributed this rapid progress to the stable Government elected by the people of Gujarat.

Among the inaugurated projects were the New Bhandu-New Sanand (N) section of the Western Dedicated Freight Corridor (WDFC), the doubling of the Viramgam-Samakhiyali railway line, the Katosan Road-Becharaji-Maruti Suzuki India Limited (MSIL Siding) Rail Project, the recharge project for various village lakes in Vijapur and Mansa talukas of Mehsana

October 30 and 31 serve as a source of inspiration for all, as the former marks the death anniversary of social reformer Govind Guru Ji, and the latter celebrates the birth anniversary of Sardar Patel.

and Gandhinagar district, the Valsana Barrage on the Sabarmati River in Mehsana district, two schemes for provision of drinking water in Palanpur and Banaskantha and the Dharoi Dam-based Palanpur Lifeline Project along with a water treatment plant of 80 million litres per day (MLD) capacity.

The Prime Minister highlighted the significance of October 30 and 31, noting that the former marks the death anniversary of social reformer Govind Guru Ji, while the latter commemorates the birth anniversary of Sardar Patel Ji. "The 182-metre-high 'Statue of Unity' stands as a testament to our generation's admiration for Sardar Saheb, representing the world's tallest statue", he said.

The Prime Minister said Govind Guru Ji's life is a symbol of the tribal society's contribution and sacrifice during India's struggle for Independence. He expressed satisfaction about the fact that the importance of Mangarh Dham has been elevated.

The Prime Minister said, "India's development narrative has gained global attention". He cited milestones such as the Chandrayaan-3 landing on the Moon's South Pole and India's successful chairmanship of the G20.

The Prime Minister said tourism events in Gujarat, including the globally acclaimed Kutch Rann Festival, have drawn widespread recognition. Drawing attention to the recent recognition of Dhordo village in Kutch as the world's best tourist village, he expressed optimism about North Gujarat emerging as a significant tourist destination in the country. He also cited the growing prominence of Nadabet as a key tourist centre and highlighted the ongoing development of Dharoi as a major tourist hub. ■



# A Platform to Connect

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**T**he Union Cabinet, under the leadership of Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, launched the Mera Yuva Bharat (MY Bharat) platform on October 31. It is a technology-driven platform dedicated to holistic youth development and initiatives led by India's youngsters. The platform will enable our youth to have fair access to opportunities, empowering young individuals to realise their aspirations and actively contribute to India's overall development across diverse sectors.

In his monthly radio programme 'Mann Ki Baat' on October 29, Prime Minister Shri Modi announced the launching of this platform on October 31, coinciding with the 148<sup>th</sup> birth anniversary of Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel, India's first Home Minister.

MY Bharat aims to actively engage the youth in nation-building events. Prime Minister Modi emphasised the unique effort to harness the collective power of India's youth for the advancement of the nation. He urged the youth to register on MYBharat.Gov.in and participate in various programmes to actively contribute to the development of the country.

MY Bharat is tailored to cater to the needs of individuals aged 15-29 years, aligning with the National Youth Policy's definition of 'youth'. It aims to redirect the Government's attention towards youth-led development, transforming young people from being "passive recipients" to "active drivers" of development.

India's youth are to play a critical role in defining the future of the nation — especially at the pivotal juncture of India's 75 years of Independence, as the country embarks on a paradigm-shifting development journey over the next 25 years of building an Amrit Bharat by 2047.

It is noteworthy to mention that the existing Government schemes for our youth were designed and launched at different points in time over the last 50 years with the then prevailing understanding of the needs of India's youngsters.

The dynamic shifts in the urban-rural landscape necessitated a re-evaluation of these approaches and it was imperative to create a framework that unites rural, urban and 'rurban' youth on a common platform.



The Mera Yuva Bharat platform will provide an opportunity to the youth to play an active role in various nation-building programmes. It is a unique effort to integrate the youth power of the country.

**Shri Narendra Modi**  
Prime Minister

MY Bharat will help to create such a framework.

The MY Bharat platform will create a 'phygital' (physical as well as digital) ecosystem and empower young individuals to become catalysts for community transformation. They would act as 'Yuva Setu,' linking the Government with its citizens. It will help to create and sustain a 'phygital' ecosystem that seamlessly connects millions of young people in a single network. ■

# National Hackathon on 5G Tech



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**T**he Union Home Ministry led by Shri Amit Shah stands committed to enhancing the technological capabilities of the country's law enforcement agencies. Recognising the importance of cyber security on the global stage, the Government of India is dedicated to creating a cyber-secure nation.

To actualise this vision, various events are being organised. The curtain-raiser for the Vimarsh 2023 5G National Hackathon, focusing on the use of 5G technology for police, took place in New Delhi on October 25, where Shri Balaji Srivastava, Director General of the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), launched the teaser and the website <https://vimarsh.tcoe.in>. The programme was attended by Shri Ajay Kumar Sahu, Chairman of the Centre of Excellence in Telecom, Shri Chandrakar Bharti, Additional Secretary of the Ministry of Home Affairs, along with other dignitaries. Smt Anupama Nilekar Chandra, Director

(Modernisation), BPR&D, Smt Rekha Lohani, IG, BPR&D and Shri Rajesh Kumar, CEO of the Indian Cyber Crime Coordination Centre were also present.

The BPR&D has been designated as the Centre of Excellence for 5G applications by the Ministry of Home Affairs. To address challenges faced by law enforcement agencies, the Bureau is organising a 5G hackathon aimed at developing tools. Nine problem statements have been formulated for the hackathon, conducted in collaboration with the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) and its subsidiary, Telecom Centre of Excellence (TCoE).

The event, open to students, startups and MSMEs, will unfold in three phases—virtual for phases one and two and physical at nodal centres for phase three. A budget of ₹2.5 lakh has been allocated to transform winning ideas/proof of concepts (PoC) into products, fostering incubation, encouragement and funding for practical tools and solutions benefiting law enforcement agencies. ■

## Embarking on a nutritious chapter with 'Shree Anna'



**T**he 'International Year of Millets' 2023 aimed to promote millets both nationally and globally for enhancing public health and supporting farmers.

Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi emphasised that 'Shree Anna' is dedicated to uplifting small farmers and tribal societies, providing nutrition, and advancing chemical-free farming with reduced water usage to combat climate change. During the All India Police Shree Anna Sangosthi 2023, organised by the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), Padma Shri Dr Khadar Vali, known as the 'Millet Man of India,' served as the chief guest and described the vital link between millets and health. Shri Balaji Srivastava, Director General of BPR&D, welcomed Dr Vali and highlighted BPR&D's efforts to promote 'Shree Anna' in its canteens at various locations.



# Lending a Helping Hand

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**O**n October 31, the Union Minister of State for Home, Shri Nityanand Rai, said that the Independence Day celebrations at the Red Fort in Delhi on August 15, the Republic Day parade in Delhi's iconic Kartavya Path on January 26 and the National Unity Day on the banks of River Narmada near the Statue of Unity in Gujarat's Kevadia on October 31 constitute a trinity, contributing to national upliftment.

During a preparatory meeting for a public gathering scheduled for November 5, in Runnisaidpur of Sitamarhi district, Shri Rai, along with officials were engaged in a discussion regarding the event that will be attended by the Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah.

On October 29, Shri Rai received 'Amrit Kalash' from the homes of martyrs in 534 blocks across Bihar as part of the 'Meri Maati, Mera Desh' campaign. The 'Amrit Kalash', symbolising reverence, were later transported from the BJP's Bihar headquarters in Patna by 1,500 volunteers to Delhi.

On October 28, Shri Rai informed that Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi distributed appointment letters to over 51,000 newly recruited candidates during an employment fair. The cumulative count of appointment letters issued nationwide under the employment fair has now reached 6,30,000 candidates, he said.

National Unity Day, observed on October 31, was commemorated with a 'Run for Unity' in New Delhi. Union Minister of State for Home, Shri Nisith Pramanik, expressed his admiration for the event. He talked about his presence alongside Union Home Minister Shri Shah. Other notable figures who were present included Lieutenant Governor of Delhi Shri Vinay Saxena and Union Ministers Smt Meenakshi Lekhi, and Anurag Thakur.

On October 31, a review meeting of the Department of Official Language in the Ministry of Home Affairs was conducted by Shri Ajay Kumar Mishra, Union Minister of State for Home. On the same day, he participated in the 'Meri Maati Mera Desh' programme along with the Lakhimpur Kheri team at his Delhi residence.



On October 24, Shri Mishra distributed motor tricycles to disabled individuals in his home district of Lakhimpur Kheri in Uttar Pradesh. On October 22, he inaugurated a road funded by MP funds in Katahiya Mahua village in his home district.

On October 18, Shri Mishra distributed smartphones and tablets to students at Guru Nanak Mahavidyalaya in his home district of Lakhimpur Kheri. ■

## Viksit Bharat: From Removing Poverty to Rediscovering Prosperity

**T**hese are defining times for the country. In its epochal period — the Amrit Kaal — India stands at a critical juncture, raring to redefine its stature and aspirations. Inspired by the vision of our Hon'ble Prime Minister Shri Narendra Modi, we have collectively embarked on a transformative journey towards 'Viksit Bharat'—Developed India.

I joined the Indian Administrative Service in 1984 and have since then served in Assam and Meghalaya as well as at the Centre in different roles and capacities. For a long time, the focus in governance remained on poverty alleviation. We have come a long way now from thinking about removing poverty to rediscovering prosperity. Leadership is about spelling out a compelling vision for the future and then moving purposefully towards achieving the same. Under the decisive and visionary leadership of our Prime Minister, India has bolstered its standing both nationally and internationally. India is evolving into a global economic powerhouse, with policies aimed at attracting foreign investments and fostering innovation.

In geopolitics, strategic alliances and diplomatic endeavours have positioned India as a key player on the world stage, contributing to the emergence of a more multipolar and a fair global order where all voices and concerns are given their due. Our voice is not only heard but considered valuable too. India's presidency of G20 was a spectacular success and a testimony to our growing importance in geopolitics.

The compelling vision of making India 'Viksit Bharat' by 2047 or possibly earlier than that, has thrust a heavy responsibility on all of us. I have been a witness to many of the seminal changes happening. As the Secretary to the Government of India, first in the Ministry of Power and then in the Ministry of Home Affairs, I have had the privilege of closely witnessing India's transformation in the last seven years.

We have successfully navigated our way through difficult and challenging circumstances. The COVID-19 pandemic presented an unprecedented challenge worldwide, demanding swift and effective governance.



Ajay Kumar Bhalla

India, under the able leadership of our Hon'ble Prime Minister, showcased a remarkable resilience in managing the crisis, not only by efficiently handling the pandemic but also by making substantial contributions to global health. The vaccination drive was a monumental success, with vaccines being manufactured and distributed at an impressive scale.

Simultaneously, significant strides have been made in bolstering national security, reinforcing India's position on the global stage and fostering a sense of safety among its citizens. The nation's borders are more secure than ever, with a fortified defence mechanism that ensures the safety of its citizens. The Government's strong political will has resulted in effective counter-terrorism measures, significantly reducing the occurrence of terror attacks. Internal security issues that had persisted for years have been successfully addressed, fostering a more stable environment. India's adversaries have been met with befitting responses to their misadventures, showcasing the nation's commitment to defending its sovereignty. The modernisation of India's police forces has been a priority, reflecting a commitment to ensuring law and order.

The goal of 'Viksit Bharat' is not a mere destination; rather, it is an ongoing journey, a continuous process of growth and improvement. To achieve this ambitious vision, active participation and empowerment of the four pillars of 'New Bharat'— the marginalised, women, youth, and farmers — are imperative. 'Viksit Bharat' is not just an economic aspiration but a societal transformation that entails comprehensive, inclusive and sustainable development.

I shall reiterate that these are defining and exciting times. We are more confident now as a nation. We take pride in our roots and heritage. We are conscious of our problems and limitations, but we are equally aware of our potential and possibilities. We are moving towards a brighter future with self-assured steps. As we work with deeper resolve and dedication, we know that 'Viksit Bharat' — which is an aspiration today, will be a reality, well within the Amrit Kaal. ■

**(The writer is Union Home Secretary)**





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The Union Home Minister and Minister of Cooperation, Shri Amit Shah, engaged with 200 tribal youth as part of the Tribal Youth Exchange Programme in New Delhi on October 18. During the interaction, he emphasised that the country's Constitution offers equal opportunities to all individuals and encouraged the youth to align their life goals with the nation's development.



The Vigilance Awareness Week commenced at the BPR&D headquarters and all its satellite units. Director General Shri Balaji Srivastava administered the oath to all officers and personnel at the bureau headquarters, while directors and senior officers did the same at the satellite units.

In a video posted on the 'Police aur Seva' YouTube channel by the Bureau of Police Research and Development (BPR&D), it was highlighted how incidents of OTP fraud have been on the rise in Tamil Nadu. OTP fraud occurs over the phone when individuals impersonate bank employees and offer various incentives, such as raising credit card limit.



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Prime Minister Narendra Modi Ji has awakened national consciousness through more than two lakh programmes organised during the Azadi Ka Amrit Mahotsav and called upon all Indians to make the country great.

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

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